

Glencoe & Glen Etive Community Council

Minute of Ordinary Meeting of the Council on 13th September 2010

In St Mary's Church Hall 7.30pm

Present:
Cllr David Doogan
Cllr David Smith
Cllr Jeanette Johnstone
Cllr Anne Nelson
Cllr Denise Stewart
Cllr Gwen McTaggart
Cllr Ian McTaggart
Cllr Debbie Straker

Ex Officio Present:
Cllr Bren Gormley (arrived late)
Cllr

Apologies Submitted:
Cllr Andy Nelson
Cllr

Ex Officio Apologies:
Cllr

Also Present
Tracey Urry and Morag Cameron from Highland Council Housing

The meeting started at: 7.30pm

Cllr David Doogan in the Chair.

Agenda Item	Narrative	Action & Owner
Approval Of Previous Minute	Approval of the minutes from 17 th August 2010 Proposed: Denise Stewart Seconded: David Smith	
Presentation by Tracey Urry	Tracey Urry explained the Lettings Policy of Highland Council. The council has 18 properties in Glencoe there are no Housing Association properties, 63 in Ballachulish plus 10 Housing Assn. On average 1-2 vacancies arise per year in Glencoe 10 people are on the waiting list. If there are concerns within the community with regard to the allocation of properties in the area a Special Lettings Plan can be implemented. However it is felt that the needs of the community are being met by the allocation policy. Tracey and Morag are here to find out if the community feels differently. Council felt community needs were being met considering the small number of properties in the village.	
Matters Arising From Previous Minute Not Otherwise On Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Letter sent to Stephen Fair by DD re Mr Anderson's barn application and the concerns of the CC. The application has been stopped but he will probably reapply. Need to watch out for application. ❖ DD has also e-mailed Ed Daynes and the Independent Youth Hostel re Leader Broadband Fund. Will leave it with them. ❖ DD also contacted police re camping at the Greenpool and mentioning letter received from member of the community- Police line is for public not to approach campers but to call police if they have concerns and they will check it out. 	

Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Letter from Rotary Club of Lochaber, they are selling crocus bulbs to raise funds to eradicate polio £5 per 100, the CC agreed to buy 100. ▪ Highland Council Quality Awards – 2 workers nominated. ▪ Highland Small Communities Trust – Places for Directors which they offer out to CC's if interested. 	JJ JJ
Planning	None – apart from Glencoe Play Sport application to improve playpark	
Open Forum	None	
Community Company Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Nothing further re grant application. ➤ £700 grant received from Councillors Discretionary Fund. ➤ A.G.M. tomorrow in village hall. ➤ 	
Compost Site	Anne has done a great job over the last 2 years but has less time to spend down there. It is widely used so there is a definite desire for the site to continue. A small salary is available and a weekly collection would also provide an income. This would also control what is going on to the site. Anne has advertised post widely but nobody has forward as yet. The site is ultimately the responsibility of the community and is providing a good local service. New bays would be good L.E.G. may fund materials if we could get group together to rebuild, need to redesign – bigger bays so a tractor could get in to turn compost etc. Two pronged approach over the winter re-vamp and to and get someone to oversee. Special meeting to take this forward. Sunday 3 rd October 2 O'clock St Mary's.	
Future Invitees	Police to be invited to next meeting	DD
AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ward Forum Meeting attended by DS – More councillors (including Bren) in attendance than members of the audience. The main purpose of the meeting was to look at shifting the balance of care for the elderly. • Bren wishes to run workshops with regard to this in the different communities as we have different ideas with regard to the care required within our communities. • The council made it quite clear to Councillor Gormley that we have grave concerns with regard to how our elderly are being cared for, the waiting lists at both Abbeyfield and Belhaven, we are not convinced that the money previously spent on Glencoe Hospital is still being spent within our community. We feel that our elderly are being let down by the NHS and that this will continue far in to the future. 	
Date, Time & Venue of Next Meeting	12 th October 2010, 7.30pm, St Mary's Church Hall	

The meeting ended at: 10pm

This minute is DRAFT till approved by the Council at the next meeting.