

Glencoe & Glen Etive Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Tuesday 12th September 2017, 7-30pm held in St Mary's Church Hall

Councillors Present

Alister Sutherland (Chair)
Ganes Dunlop (Treasurer)
Gwen McTaggart (Secretary)
Ian William McTaggart
Natasha Dickson
Victoria Sutherland
Simon Meldrum

Invited Guests

Nicki & Ewen Roy

Apologies

None.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Proposed IMT, seconded GD.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Community Warden – (carried forward) [Action AS](#).

Achnacon Pool – (carried forward) [Action AS/VS](#).

Village Hall – AS has called an open meeting to discuss options for repair/replacement and the way forward. All residents welcome. The meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Monday 23rd October at 7-30pm.

War Memorial – The grass has been trimmed. We will clear the scrub.

Verges – CC requested that Highland Council extend verge cutting from bus stop along southbound A82. This was carried out.

Invited Guests

Nicki & Ewen Roy explained their plan to build kennels (with capacity for up to 16 dogs) and a cattery on croft 12b. The CC thanked them for the advance notice and wished them well.

Finance

The bank balance stands at £1,846.07.

Planning

- Kingshouse redevelopment “into a contemporary four star 60 bedroom destination hotel” ([17/03703/FUL](#))

No objections.

Meetings Attended by Councillors

None.

Correspondence Received

1. NTS – AS wrote to the NTS in the light of the “Hilltrek” episode seeking confirmation of their statement to The Herald of 28th October 2015 ([LINK](#)):
He [an NTS spokesman] said registering the trademarks would “categorically not hinder” the use of the name by local businesses which wished to refer to their geographic location or to businesses which had already been trading with the place names. They would have accrued prior rights.
AS received a reply from the NTS solicitor confirming exemption for legitimate local use. Regarding prior rights, however, the reply stated that “the Trust will have to assess the position on a case by case basis”, which appears to represent a change of position from “categorically not hinder ... businesses which had already been trading”.
2. Highland Small Communities Housing Trust – Notice of AGM
3. Lochaber Housing Association – Newsletter + Notice of AGM
4. Forestry Commission Scotland – Brecklet Land Management Plan. FCS attended the 09/2015 CC meeting to present an earlier version of this plan. AS will review. **Action AS.**
5. A resident copied the CC on an exchange with Forestry Commission Scotland regarding minibus parking up at the Lochan, noting that spaces appeared to be designated for minibuses but a low barrier prevents their entry. FCS explained that the barrier is necessary due to problems caused by campervans overnighting.

Community Company

VS continuing to pursue extending the path through the area of the common grazings that was formerly apportioned.

Core Path

While Core Path status is sufficient for Highland Council to act against obstruction of the path, proof of an established right of way may assist in preserving the specific existing route of the path and avoiding a proposed alternative which is widely deemed unsuitable.

GD is trying to arrange for locals to meet with Highland Council’s Access Officer to discuss historical usage in order to prove an established right of way.

20 mph Sign

Engineer coming out to check locations for second sign. Waiting to hear.

Belford Hospital

Update 22nd August ([LINK](#)) confirms Rural General Hospital.

Poppy Appeal

CC will organize collection and piper. Revd Fairclough kindly offered to officiate.

AOCB

None.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

7-30pm on Tuesday 24th October.

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