

**THE FINDHORN VILLAGE CONSERVATION COMPANY  
DIRECTORS MEETING ON 06.07 2020**

**PRESENT**

Frank Allan (FA), Christine Hunt (CH), Marjory Barber (MB), Cathy Low (CL) Sam Russell (SR), Nicole Edmonds (NE)

Due to the Covid 19 virus crisis the Board meeting was conducted by electronic means.

		Action By
1.	Declaration of Interest	
1.1	A director declared interest in one of the property boundaries.	
2	<b>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING</b>	
2.1	Approved. Proposed NE Seconded SR	
3	<b>MATTERS ARISING NOT ON AGENDA</b>	
3.1	3.1 Weed control -completed	
3.2	3.2 Concrete on back lane – outstanding to be pursued	
3.3	3.4 Car parking at Findhorn Property. All titles need to be scrutinised as it would appear that car parking spaces on Company land has been included in more recent titles.	
3.4	3.5 Trip lines compiled list of users from north of Piers -there are 3 spaces available spaces for trip lines. Now need to complete south of Piers. Procedure for procuring a trip line to be on website.	
3.5	3.6 FRA grass cutting -being done regularly including church grounds.	
3.6	3.8 Land at rear of property. There has been no response to email. To be monitored.	
3.7	4. 5 Local resident informed of trip line space in area north of piers.	
3.8	4.14 Wood from Sycamore tree behind Armstrong Garage site. Resident has responded saying that they do not wish to purchase wood. Local resident will give donation and arrange for the area to be cleared of wood and rubbish, including old rhone pipes, to be removed. Work will be carried out in exchange for the wood.	
3.9	Tables in front of local inn. These are in situ.	
4	<b>Correspondence</b>	
4.1	3/6/20 Litter pick up It is planned that there will be liaison between FRA and others to organise this. In the meantime a plan to raise awareness on Findhorn App and Face book for interested people to get together and organise a rota to address the litter problem.	
4.2	5/6/20 MC Planning for property in Findhorn. To follow up and if possible make comment as previously.	
4.3	8/6/20 Local resident re unregistered land adjacent to his property. Agreed that Company should register this land and land at Market Cross. To be followed up. Resident to be thanked for drawing this to Company attention.	
4.4	Re. Forbes Page and adverse comments on car parking at Findhorn Beach. To liaise with another Company facing similar issues to address further silly comments.	
4.6	11/6/20 Local business -Agreed that request for ice cream van at north beach during summer months be agreed. Investigate appropriate charges.	
4.7	15/6/20 39 Engineer Squadron request to have an on-site day visit as experience for the squadron. This has taken place.	
4.8	16/6/20 Email on rewilding method. Company copied in from FDT	
4.9	26/6/20 Local MSP on closure of car park at North Beach and seeking information on re- opening. Responded giving information to date and suggesting that he could assist by contacting MC on toilet provision. No response has been received.	
5	<b>Finance</b>	
5.1	<i>Annual accounts are on the website.</i> Treasurer checking on sending information by electronic means to accountant.	
5.2	Leases – 3 leases are due for payment. Treasurer to contact for payment.	
5.3	Garage income -Received back payment resulting in 2 payments on 10/6	
6	<b>CAR PARKS</b>	
6.1	Car Park Planning Application- Awaiting confirmation from MC as to whether permission for motorhomes to use car park. This will be decided under delegated powers of by the planning committee and if can take place before planning consent is given. The site will be included in the MLDP.	

6.2	Car Parks and Dunes Road. Guidance is being sought from MC as to when the Company can open the site to Motorhomes. Once there is clarity bins to be organised and boulders removed. There will be signs for distribution on windscreens with information on 36 hour stay.	
6.3	Toilets The toilets will reopen on 13 <sup>th</sup> July. They will be sanitized before opening and will be cleaned by MC twice daily and will have hand sanitizers installed.	
7	<b>LAND/SALES/LEASES</b>	
7.1	Boundary issue 1 - Surveyor has visited site. Valuer to be instructed to value the site and cost to be settled by Company. Advice to contact owner prior to valuation was agreed outlining Company procedure. Valuer bases his value following case law examples.	
7.2	Boundary issue 2. We have been informed other party will now instruct their own valuation. Company has advised that this should be a registered chartered surveyor. There has been no response from other party on car parking on encroached area.	
7.3	Boundary issue 3 - Following a survey costing valuer to be instructed to value the encroachment. To reduce costs valuer will visit boundary disputes 1 and 3 on the same day.	
8	<b>ARMSTRONG GARAGES</b>	
8.1	Report - liaising with architect on building regulation changes. He is communicating with MC.	
9	<b>MEMBERSHIP REPORT</b>	
9.1	180 members 53 associates and 1 junior. Local resident to be approached to volunteer as membership secretary.	
10	<b>DAVID URQUHART PATHWAY</b>	
10.1	<b>Report</b> Contractor is expected to complete work on the Path within the coming week. Landscaping will start once contractor off site and arrangements made with centre providing plants. Volunteers will assist in planting. Snagging issues which are covered by a 12 month liability clause are currently being noted. When it is suitable article to be forwarded to the press. The unsuitable chips delivered in error could be used in the car park motorhome stances on a base of hardcore and mesh. Comment on Clava Cairns car parking where timber has been used as stance dividers.	
10.2	Plaque-The style and wording of the structure and wording has been difficult to find agreement. Choice between wood or stone. Agreed that it will be a stone structure with plaque being blue with white text on a concrete base. Examples to be sent to Board for final decision.	
10.3	Speed Bumps- Following an offer to finance a speed bump at a preferred location on the path in front of the buildings at the Piers there was discussion on the need for speed bumps at this location. It was agreed to request the donor to outline in writing the reasons for this. The Board will monitor the situation. Community consultation may also take place.	
11	<b>PROJECTS</b>	
11.1	Boat shed Project- No progress	
11.2	Hogweed -There is hogweed on the land at the northern car park. Steps will be taken to remove asap. It is thought that there may be help available for hogweed removal.	
12	<b>GENERAL BOARD</b>	
12.1	AGM Directors FA and MB having served their 9 year term will step down. CH is willing to stand for election as director. Others to be approached and letterbox drop off requesting new directors. Email to members with summary of accounts. FA to prepare chairman's report, CH -Garages update, NE -Pathway update CL -status of car parks. MB- Boat shed CrTB decision. SR -FRA input.	
12.2	Communication -Newsletter will include above information	
13	<b>AOCB</b>	
13.1	Advertising sign beside the War Memorial is on verge which would be under MC remit for planning. Covid 19 friendly sign also discussed. Agreed that both signs should be removed with a letter sent to those who installed signs.	
14	<b>Date of Next Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020, 7pm</b>	
	<b>Minutes Proposed</b>	
	<b>Minutes Seconded by</b>	
	<b>Chairman Frank Allan 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020</b>	

