

THE FINDHORN VILLAGE CONSERVATION COMPANY
DIRECTORS MEETING ON 01 November 2021

PRESENT Christine Hunt (CH), Cathy Low (CL), Donald Watson (DW), Nicole Edmonds (NE), Bryan Parsons (BP)

APOLOGIES Marjory Marber (MB), Sarah Theman (ST), Sam Russell (SR),

		Action By
1.	Declaration of Interest None	
2.	Minutes of last meeting Approved	
3.	Actions arising from last meeting	
3.1	3.1 - Newsletter - ongoing	CH CL
3.2	3.2 - Signatories - ongoing	CH CL
3.3	3.3 - Trip lines – ongoing	DW CH
3.4	3.4 - Beach Huts – proposal for landowner & hut owners contribution to upkeep of access road – ongoing	CL
3.5	3.5 - Business plan – ongoing – CH to contact Business gateway for assistance	CH
3.6	3.6 - Heritage Lottery Fund – funding for Warden – ongoing	CH
3.8	3.8 Steps at high beach road CL has spoken with resident and asked her to organise a meeting of neighbours – she advised she will be able to do this mid-November	CL
3.9	3.10 Bags of garden rubbish have been removed by resident Caravan will be removed shortly	CH ST
3.10	4.1 CL met informally with residents to discuss hand rail and their offer of making a contribution to costs. They have requested that it is more 'stylish/artisan' rather than a steel pole. NE to provide contact details of craftsman who may be able to make.	CL
4.	Communication	
4.1	Gmail – see label November 2021 for general correspondence	
4.2	Email from resident asking when speed sign will be put up at start of lane opposite the Culbin flats. CH to arrange to install sign. CL has sign	CH/CL
4.3	Resident on high road wall have advised they wish to do some levelling work on their ground outside their property. They have advised they will speak with neighbours. This will also be discussed at 'neighbour' meeting of high beach road.	
4.4	Email from resident on Front re motorhomes parking on the bay road and asking that residents campervans park at the garage site. Email has been forwarded to F&KCC for their attention. CL	
4.5	Email from Crown Estates to advise they are reopening discussion of owners/management of foreshore. CH to contact to discuss impact and opportunity for the Company	CH
5.	Finance	
5.1	Treasurer's Report – no treasurers report available for this meeting	
5.2	New Treasurer - ongoing	
5.3	Bookings October 174 bookings, 223 nights = £3345 (34% occ) (Income £3390 gross (income to 31/10 £33,427.60 gross) October honesty box £ Donr - £11.00 (Findhorn £2, Loo £4 and Empty £5) net donation £10.34	
6.	Land/Sales/Leases	
6.1	5 Sylvan Heath – on hold	
6.3	Elderslie – contractor is going to peg out where the 'sea defences' will go. Board can then meet with them to agree	CH
7.	Car Park working group	
7.1	Dunes Road – CL met with Aaron Groundworks to discuss state of Dunes Road, will be repaired over next couple of months. CL will keep pressure on for this to be actioned asap	CL
7.2	CL to obtain quote for making path from car park to road side toilets NE will check if 'wrong material from DU path is available to use	CL NE
7.3	Map of Findhorn for car parks in progress. CL to arrange production along with other signs. Car Park info sign has been broken and needs replaced. Dunes Road sign to be made	CL
8.	Armstrong Garages	

8.1	NE and SR meeting with Dennis to discuss any changes that are required. Will update at next meeting CH requested that all invoices are submitted so she can reclaim from HIE	NE NE/CH
8.3	The Board authorised Cathy Low, Secretary/Director to be signatory for the FCC Fund Application. Christine Hunt, Chairperson as second contact.	
9.	Toilet block	
9.1	CAT – TFVCC Solicitor Myles Graham is chasing Moray Council to progress transfer – still ongoing	
9.2	RTIF application –awaiting decision	
9.3	Vandalism – men’s toilet has been replaced following incident of vandalism. Donation of £150 received from Mr and Mrs Finnegan with approval for any excess to be used as Board sees fit in other projects. Works completed free of charge by Forres resident Callum Brown. Thanks given to all parties for their donations.	
10.	Allotment working group	
10.1	Additional membrane and cardboard have been laid. Fence line has been marked out with posts. NH was approached by resident as she had a concern that the post was encroaching onto the drying green. Title map to be checked to make sure allotment is only on Company land. NE will check that fencing does not impact drying green. RS has been working on obtaining quotes for fencing. One Quote from JGS, Inverness is £5214.40. Grants will need to be identified to support this. NE will write a piece for newsletter to update on allotment working group.	NE
11.	Membership - Membership Report Including new members 238 Total 181 Full, 56 Associate, 1 Junior Membership 76.5% Associate 23.5%	
12.	Findhorn Path – RFYC corner update – Informal quote for £1875 labour and £500 materials = £2300 Landscape architect is getting quotes for defect work which will be sent to Administrator of liquidated company . General clean up of path and ongoing planting	NE
13.	Projects	
13.1	Trip lines – DW has made up list of 28 trip lines Pier to south. Have list of trip line piers to North that MB provided	DW CH
13.2	Engine/boat shed – no further correspondence received. The Rowers have reported a hole has developed beside the table which is causing an issue when taking boat out of shed. The Board agreed this was something that the Rowers could sort themselves as long as they used the correct materials. If required they could use some of the type 1 which is located at the road side toilet block	
13.3	Beach huts - ongoing	CL
13.4	Works have commenced at the Budge’s plot up from 143. NE to take Photos	NE
13.5	Warden wit Local Nature Reserve – CH has applied to Scotland Loves Local and will contact Heritage Lottery Fund	CH
14.	General Board	
14.1	AGM – JMI has been booked, Accounts have been completed and require to be signed by CH. Wine and nibbles from 6.30pm, AGM to start at 7pm. Neil Robertson has agreed to present financial report. CL will do presentation on the development of the motorhome stopover	
14.2	Policies & procedures - ongoing	SR CL ST
15.	AOCB Jubilee Canopy Appeal – Board will look into this to identify what/where would be appropriate Boardwalk connecting wires are become a risk. DW to remove exposed wires Poppy Wreath – the Board made the decision not to lay a wreath this year as it felt the Village was well represented already. Instead, a direct donation of £40 would be made to the Poppy Appeal. It was also felt that this would be more environmentally friendly approach.	DW

	Ground beside Sage Cottage is being used as a parking area for cars. Also a speed boat and trailer are being stored there. Notes to be put on vehicle etc to ask that the owners contact the Company.	
	Date of Next Meeting – 06 December 2021	
	Minutes Proposed by	
	Minutes Seconded by	
	Chairman	

Annexe A