

**THE FINDHORN VILLAGE CONSERVATION COMPANY**  
**DIRECTORS MEETING ON MONDAY 01 JULY 2024 7PM**

**PRESENT** - Christine Hunt (CH), Cathy Low (CL), Nicole Edmonds (NE) Elle Adams (EA), Sam Russell (SR), Frank Allan (FA)

**APOLOGIES** – Donald Watson (DW)

		<b>ACTION</b>
1	Declaration of Interest – EA – Rivers Trust	
2	Minutes of Meeting – June 2024 Proposed SR Seconded EA	
<b>3</b>	Actions Arising from Last Meeting – June 2024 - not on agenda	
3.1	3.2 Bulwark no progress – CL will chase up Aaron	CL
3.2	4.1.12 – Duncan Goulder, canoeist is taking up suggestion of parking car in RFYC – all agreed with RFYC	
3.3	4.2.3 Disabled parking signs ordered awaiting delivery	CL
3.4	4.2.4 – EA and CL putting T&C and email together to go to water sports user for access avoiding height barrier.	CL
3.5	12.2 CI has printed out signs to go on boats at Church Slip. CH will put up	CH
3.6	13.2 resident will contact Registry of Scotland re land at back of her property. <i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	
3.7	13.3 CL to contact Moray Council re bins	
3.8	13.4 FRA still working on footpath sign	SR
3.9	13.5 NE speaking with Timothy Finnegan re giant hogweed	NE
3.10	13.5 Fish van is parking at FVC	
3.11	13.6 Plaque memorial of Alert not required as the Flag pole above Ice house was put up as memorial. Suggestion that a plaque on flag pole to highlight. SR to speak to Findhorn Heritage	SR
3.12	13.10 Wording says payment not donation on honesty boxes. CL will check out price for donation sign. FA will also cost lettering	CL/FA
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Communication – email, letter</b>	
4.1.1	Findhorn Church =- asking if Wildthings would be using the church. Also asking to confirm that TFVCC will pay for electric from bookings	CL/CH
4.1.2	Coastal Rowers proposal – see point 8	
4.1.3	Baxter foundation – year end report to be completed and returned	CL
4.1.4	Bech Hut owner (Commercial)– asking for 2 fobs per Beach Hut. This is a business using three beach huts for promotional work. Board agreed one fob per beach hut and to remind them that under their title no business should be operating out of the beach huts – extract from title deed	CL/EA
4.1.5	Notification of DTAS Annual conference 27 and 28 August	
<b>4.1.6</b>	Bridget Jones, NatureScot – Meeting arrangement. CH and CL met with Bridget to discuss issues raised regarding wildlife on our land. NatureScot are happy with how we manage wildlife and the connections with have with FBLNR. Also happy with Dunes Track. CH and CL raised with Bridget query about is the complainer same person all the time – she confirmed it was but not able to advise who. NatureScot will be advising complainer that no action is required.	
4.1.7	Surf Awards – closing date 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	

4.1.8	Zurich Insurance renewal -CL and FA checked policy and CL has confirmed with Zurich that everything is included in policy. Payment Barrier increased cost by £130.	
4.1.9	Anytime Booking – have sent through quote for alternative booking system for motorhome stopover. Will be reviewed	CL
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Social media</b>	
4.2.1	Been quiet on socials this month.	
<b>5</b>	<b>Finance</b>	
5.1	Treasurer Report – see attached report for June	
5.2	Treasurer – ongoing.	All
5.3	Motorhome Income Booking June 2024 255 bookings 320 nights	
<b>6</b>	<b>Land/Sales/Leases</b>	
6.1	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	
6.2	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	
6.3	Playing Field – SR reported grass will be cut in time for summer holidays	SR
6.4	Local Place Plan CL will chase up leaflets for printing and distribution to village for 2 <sup>nd</sup> consultation events. Findhorn Bay arranging with Collective to include Findhorn Bay. Consultation Day Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July Stakeholder consultation Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	ALL EA
<b>6.6</b>	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Motorhome, Car Park and Toilet Maintenance Report</b>	
7.1	Disabled signs ordered awaiting delivery. Will ask Jason Brodie to install. No issue with Motorhome Stopover	CL
7.2	Payment Barrier Payment terminal has been replaced and all seems to be working. Once we have sufficient data from working payment terminal CL will contact Gemini, payment terminal provider, to ask for compensation due to loss of income. Still an issue with the counter which will control number of parking spaces available. Awaiting new counter from Ursa Gates.	CL CL
7.3	Dunes Track CL hasn't ordered Keith Blue, will arrange for delivery to East Car Park. High volume of traffic on road, which is holding up well, just need to keep on top of small pot holes. Ade to be asked to do.	CL CH
7.4	Toilet Maintenance Ade to be asked to strim and take out weeds at motorhome stopover, car park and toilets.	CH
7.5	CH has checked with height barrier company online and they have advised they are not aware of any legislation re certification for height barriers	
<b>8</b>	<b>Armstrong Garages</b>	
8.1	NE reported that architect Denis Forrest seems to be getting things moving re building warrant renewal. They have all the drawings converted on to his system. NE and SR to meet with Denis Forrest to	NE

	<p>discuss. Could be an issue with Scottish Water who may query the drains and slab.</p> <p>Need to check if previous architect took photos. CL will check with contractor to ask if they have any photos.</p> <p><i>Edited for confidentiality</i></p> <p>Info from LPP to be looked at to identify if we should be relooking at project.</p>	<p>NE/SR</p> <p>NE/CL</p>
8.2	Vacant Garage – Car has been taken out of garage but left outside. Cl will write again to previous renter to ask that it is removed.	CL
8.4	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	CL
<b>9</b>	<b>Membership Report</b> 235 members 183 (77.87%) associate 51 (21.70%) and 1 junior.	
10	<b>Findhorn Path</b> General ongoing tidying up. Stone Mason has carried out the repair at RFYC corner. As previously agreed 50% TFCC 50% Path fund.	NE
<b>11</b>	<b>Projects</b>	
11.1	Trip Lines – Ongoing	DW
11.2	Beach Steps – platform at west car park will start in July	CL
11.3	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	
11.4	<b>Allotments and Trees</b> NE has received a donation of £125 from Taiza, singing group, which they would like to go towards the allotments. NE to give donation (cash) to Donald for banking, NE will notify Treasurer of donation.	NE
11.5	Findhorn Bay – joint application to Inspiring Scotland Neighbourhood Ecosystem Fund. EA will complete application and send to CL for review prior to submission. EA will also draft a Memorandum of Understanding for the joint project. Project re salt/sea grass carbon capture and helping with flooding.	EA
<b>12</b>	<b>General Board</b>	
12.1	Policies Update –FA to review Land and Leases policy	FA
12.2	<b>Canoes and boats at Church Slip</b> CL provided laminated signs for boats at church slip. CH will put signs up.	CH
<b>13</b>	<b>AOCB</b>	
13.1	Captain from Army base responsible for conservation on the base and surrounding area interested in projects. Suggestion was for them to do a beach clean. Army will be having a festival of Scotland on 4 <sup>th</sup> July.	CH
13.2	Entust potential funds for place plans	EA
	<b>Date of Next Meeting – Monday 05 August 2024</b>	
	Minutes Proposed by FA	
	Minutes Seconded by SR	
	Chairman Christine Hunt	

