

THE FINDHORN VILLAGE CONSERVATION COMPANY
DIRECTORS MEETING ON MONDAY 12 August 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)

		ACTION
1	Declaration of Interest None	
2	Minutes of Meeting – July 2024 Proposed FA Seconded SR	
3	Actions Arising from Last Meeting – July 2024 - not on agenda	
3.1	3.1 No response re bulwark repairs CL will chase up	CL
3.2	3.3 Disabled parking signs arrived – CL to ask contractor to put up beside the no step access walkway. It is hoped that this will also stop cars parking in front of entrance to walkway.	CL
3.3	3.4 – T&C and email still to be done	CL
3.4	3.5 Signs for Boats at Church slip still to be done	CH
3.5	3.8 – footpath sign ongoing SR will speak to property owners	SR
3.6	3.9 NE still to speak with Timothy Finnegan re Hog weed	NE
3.7	3.11 SR will ask DW to chase up with requesters to identify if they wish further action to be taken	SR/DW
3.8	3.12 The honesty box from the bottom of the no step access at East Car Park	
4	Communication – email, letter	
4.1.	Resident reporting a number of tents on the dunes at side of heritage centre track. CL went down but no one there, not there in the morning	
4.2	Collective Architecture – introduction to Rob Colbin from Glasgow School of Art re potential project. GSA not able to do at this time but will keep on their files	
4.3	TSI Moray Climate Action – for info	
4.4	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	
4.5	Notification of DTAS Annual conference 27 and 28 August	
4.6	Resident requestion to install sewer pipe along track owned by TFVCC. Permission granted and resident to be advised track to be reinstated to gravel and grass no tarmac or concrete	CL
4.7	Fairway Heights Residents Association asking for info on community buy outs. CL responded Board happy to meet to share what info we can.	
4.8	Karen McConnell – Filming enquiry/permission for 19th/20th August	
4.2	Social media	
	Nothing to report	
5	Finance	
5.1	Treasurer Report – see attached report for July	
5.2	Treasurer – ongoing.	All
5.3	Motorhome Income Booking July 2024 306 bookings 436 nights	
6	Land/Sales/Leases	
6.1	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	CL/CH
6.2	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	CL/CH
6.4	Local Place Plan EA will put out Mailchimp to members with the leaflets outlining updates and links to web site.	EA

6.5	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	
7	Motorhome, Car Park and Toilet Maintenance Report	
7.1	<p>FA has updated the motorhome sign to show maximum stay three nights. Visitor recommendation to install light in the waste disposal unit. Solar light to be sourced.</p> <p>Sign posting for motorhomes coming into the village still a challenge. CL will check out small signs with arrow and motorhome logo to attach to signpost at war memorial.</p> <p>When motorhome stopover is quieter weeding of site is needed. Ade to be asked to do, using environmentally friendly weedkiller. NE offered to make up the mix for him as per recipe from Mr Ross.</p> <p>North Toilet Block – water damage to box of toilet paper. CL will order more toilet paper. FA spoke with Jason Brodie, and he will put a raised platform in the cupboard to raise boxes of the ground.</p>	<p>NE</p> <p>CL/FA</p>
7.2	<p>Payment Barrier</p> <p>On going issue with counter, CL is chasing up with Ursa Gates. This can impact the payment terminal. Also finding weather can impact payment terminal. CL has written to Gemini (Payment provider) to advise about lost income in June and July – awaiting response.</p>	<p>CL</p> <p>CL</p>
8	Armstrong Garages	
8.1	NE reported that architect has carried out revisions to Building Warrant but needs the DCAS number for Scottish Water – CH will check for this.	NE/CH
8.2	Garage Maintenance works – Jason Brodie has provided quote for guttering and replacing the door post – board approved CL to confirm to Jason Brodie	CL
8.3	Rowers have visited the large vacant garage and will take on until work starts on renovations.. CL made proposal that the Rowers will carry out works on the grounds to tidy them up and maintain them in exchange for using the garage until end November 2024. They would then pay rent of month over the winter. Board Approved	CL
9	Membership Report 235 members 183 (77.87%) associate 51 (21.70%) and 1 junior.	
10	Findhorn Path General ongoing tidying up and planting. FA, DW and others will carry out hand weeding later in the year	
11	Projects	
11.1	Trip Lines – Ongoing	DW
11.2	Beach Steps – Platform has started. Query re height of railing at front of platform and how this would impact view for someone sitting down. CL will discuss with Jason Brodie and ask him to check out regulations	CL
11.3	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	CH/CL
11.4	Allotments and Trees No update. NE continues to water trees. Other areas still need support for watering. EA asked if still wanted ‘adopt a tree’ for watering to go out – agreed Was not required.	
11.5	Findhorn Bay – joint application to Inspiring Scotland Neighbourhood Ecosystem Fund submitted and MOU drafted and signed.	EA

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11.6	Handrail CL chasing Jason Brodie to ensure rail is in place prior to winter	CL
12	General Board	
12.1	Policies Update –EA and CL to ensure all reviewed policies are loaded onto web site	CL/EA
12.2	Canoes and boats at Church Slip CH to put up signs	CH
13	AOCB	
13.1	FA asked how much was being taken at honesty boxes at East Car Park and South Toilet Block. DW to provide info at next meeting.	DW
13.2	FA raise the issue of vans/cars turning into the south toilet block from the marina side and getting stuck on the concrete bund. Suggestion is to put posts in to try and stop vehicles trying to enter from marina side.	
13.3	EA advise that resident is interested in joining the Board. CL advised she didn't think she was a member of TFVCC, would need to join before putting name forward. EA to share membership form. Meeting to be arranged to discuss with her what is involved. EA will reach out to her to arrange.	EA
13.4	Canoe owner spoke with partner of EA's, asking if she could get in touch to discuss issue, Board agreed that if canoe owner wants to speak to the Board, he needs to contact us via email, not individuals.	
13.5	Moray Climate Action – might be funding available for allotment fence, electric charging points.	
13.6	SR asked about the damaged high wall. CL has contacted Moray Council awaiting a response.	
13.7	SR advised that FRA asking about additional bins at end of Dunes Track. Moray Council will not put larger bin or increase number of bins. They say it causes fly tipping.	
13.8	SR has shared the latest responses from Stagecoach, Moray Council and SMP/MPs re removal of bus services to Findhorn.	
13.9	CH requested that our September meeting is delayed by one week, Board agreed to move meeting to 09 September 2024.	
	Date of Next Meeting – Monday 09 September 2024	
	Minutes Proposed by SR	
	Minutes Seconded by FA	
	Chairman CH	