

**THE FINDHORN VILLAGE CONSERVATION COMPANY**  
**DIRECTORS MEETING ON MONDAY 07 OCTOBER 2024 7PM**

**PRESENT** - Cathy Low (CL), Elle Adams (EA), Sam Russell (SR), Frank Allan (FA), Donald Watson (DW), Nicole Edmonds (NE)

**APOLOGIES** – Christine Hunt (CH)

		<b>ACTION</b>
1	Declaration of Interest None	
2	Minutes of Meeting – September 2024 Proposed Seconded	
<b>3</b>	Matters Arising	
3.1	3.2 T&C for over height vehicles outstanding	CL/EA
3.2	3.3 signs not passed over. CL will reprint and drop of to DW	CL/DW
3.3	3.5 Hogweed – ongoing	NE
3.4	3.6 'Alert' plaque – Heritage centre will do plaque. SR will speak with Heritage to arrange.	SR
3.5	3.8 DW has purchased and installed solar light at waste disposal	
<b>3.6</b>	4.5 DW will speak with resident to discuss if hedge should be cut down to a reasonable height or removed fully. Discussion with both residents re sharing of cost with TFVCC for works.	DW
	Board to look at all land under 'stewardship' and develop T&Cs	ALL
3.7	4.6 CL hasn't contacted OSCR	CL
3.8	4.7 CL spoke with Moray Council Non-Domestic rates team re motorhome stopover rates – small business bonus scheme relief application to be completed. With the Motorhome stopover rates we are close to max relief, max multiple property total for 100% is £12,000. CL spoke with Moray Council re the Observation Post as this is sealed, they have advised to write and explain situation.	CL
3.9	6.2 – no response from email sent 09 September 2024. See 6.2	
3.10	7.1 Painting of concrete bund at south toilet block outstanding. FA will work up a maintenance list for car parks, toilets, motorhome stopover and dunes track.  Padlock lug on height barrier at west car park has been fixed	
<b>4</b>	<b>Communication</b>	
4.1.	10/09 Request from Moray Council to put up erosion monitoring cameras on back beach. CL confirmed approval with Moray Council	
4.2	20/09 next on waiting list has taken up lease on Garage No.2 – CL will send her lease and advise on setting up standing order	CL
4.3	20/09 visitor wishing to make donation for seat at top off no access ramp. CL sent payment details	CL
4.4	26/09 resident– concern re how he will cut his holly hedge with new handrail at steps. CL advised that there was no issue as there was room to cut hedge, if there was any problem we would arrange for hedge to be cut at shared cost	
4.5	27/09 visitor – donation of £200 towards bench at top of access ramp. CL sent thank you note via email. Board agreed bench should not go up until the spring. CL will advise contractor	CL
4.6	02/10 Findhorn Dunes Trust annual report	

4.7	04/10 Tesco insurance re damage to wall – requesting pictures – CL sent. Concern that could be more damage than is visible. Tesco insurance advised that if approved they would either send out their own company to repair or we could submit two quotes for repair – Board preferred option that local stone mason does repair. NE and SR will obtain quotes from stone masons	NE/SR
4.8	04/10 Gertrud Mallon from Aberdour, Fife looking for info on what TFVCC has done and opportunity for potential visit from them. Board agreed to support. CL will respond.	CL
4.9	Donation from resident of £500 towards cost of handrail at Barron House steps. CL sent thank you email	
4.10	04/10 Eric Riley Looking for input to his MBA research. Board agreed to support– CL to respond	CL
<b>5</b>	<b>Finance</b>	
5.1	Treasurer’s report – see attached report September	
5.2	Treasurer – ongoing	
5.3	<b>Motorhome Income</b> Booking September 2024 268 bookings 361 nights	
<b>6</b>	<b>Land/Sales/Leases</b>	
6.1	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	CL
6.2	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	CL
6.3	<b>Local Place Plan</b> Collective Architecture meeting with Board to review draft presentation Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October at FVC, 1630. Documents will be sent out on the Friday 11 October for Board review prior to meeting. Presentation to Village on 28 <sup>th</sup> October – JMI booked. Newsletter to be mail dropped. CL will print out ready for distribution this week.	CL
6.4	Lane beside Post office – resident acknowledged email	
6.5	<i>Edited for confidentiality</i>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Motorhome, Car Park and Toilet Maintenance Report</b>	
7.1	FA will produce a maintenance list. Height barrier padlock lug has been repaired. South Toilet Block will be closed from the end of October. FA and DW to drain system. North Toilet block will go to twice weekly cleaning from 01 November.  CL to chase contractor re changing the flush mechanism in toilets to provide stronger flush.  CL chasing up GAP re emptying slug at bottom of pumping tanks.  CL has requested contribution from RFYC for works to concrete sea defences between south dinghy park and piers – awaiting response	FA FA/DW  CL  CL
7.2	<b>Dunes Track</b> FA will speak with Ade to confirm Type One required and place order with New Forres Quarry.	FA
<b>7.3</b>	New Service provider – ongoing	

<b>8</b>	<b>Armstrong Garages</b>	
8.1	DCAS number has been located. Architect hasn't come back to NE with actions. NE to chase up. Scottish Water to come out to check drainage – NE to chase up.	
8.2	Abandoned car still outside garages. CL has written to previous garage lease holder several times, no response. NE will check for a contact number and try to give her a call	NE
<b>9</b>	Membership Report 235: members 183 (77.87%) associate 51 (21.70%) and junior 1	
<b>10</b>	<b>Findhorn Path – general ongoing maintenance/weeding</b>	
<b>11</b>	<b>Projects</b>	
11.1	Trip Lines – ongoing	
11.2	Beach Steps Platform atop of ramp complete – positive feedback received. Board will review if second platform to be installed at east ramp. <b><i>Edited for confidentiality</i></b>	
11.3	Church – ongoing	
11.4	Allotment/Trees – ongoing	
11.5	Memorial Sunday – wreath has been ordered. DW will lay wreath on behalf of TFVCC.	
<b>12</b>	<b>General Board</b>	
12.1	Policy and Procedures – CL to send approved policies to EA for uploading to website	CL/EA
12.2	Boats at Slip – CL to redo signs and give to DW	CL/DW
<b>12.3</b>	<b>AGM – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024 – JMI booked. CL to check with Treasurer on progress of accounts</b>	CL
<b>13</b>	<b>AOCB</b>	
13.1	SR – Regatta Shed roof quote for repair £340. Board approved to pay in full.	
13.2	SR – Fire Breaks quote - £800 approved. CL will print off letter to be delivered to residents advising of works. SR will deliver	CL/SR
13.3	SR – Fireworks - £150 approved contribution	
13.4	Sign for emergency vehicle turning point on dunes track to be put up. FA and DW will look at how best to do this. CL will also speak with Jason Brodie as he obtained poles for previous signs.	
13.5	CL raised that in our AofA it states Board members can only be on the board for 3 years. This is a challenge in small communities. To be discussed at next meeting.	
13.6	<b><i>Edited for confidentiality</i></b>	CL
	<b>Date of Next Meeting – Monday 04 NOVEMBER 2024</b>	
	Minutes Proposed by DW	
	Minutes Seconded by FA	
	Chairman Christine Hunt MBE	