**Minutes (draft) of Shieldaig Community Council**

**Meeting Tuesday 3rd October 2017**

**7.30pm. Church Hall.**

**Members present: Kalie Wilkinson (Chair), Lisa Fraser, Viv Maclennan, Tom Tindale.**

**Also present: Cllr Kate Stephens**

**Apologies: Claire Munday, PC Craig Allan**

**Approval of Minutes of previous meeting on the 5th of September**

**Community Council Members**

**Viv Maclennan and Tom Tindale have agreed to be co-opted onto the community council. They were formally welcomed to the CC at the meeting.**

**Matters arising :**

**Police matters**

**A speed survey will be carried out by the police on the by-pass road in the near future. Unfortunately it will miss the busy tourist season traffic.**

**Defibrillator**

**Viv is going to liaise with 'lucky2bealive' regarding the purchase of a defibrillator and training sessions which will be open for anyone to attend.**

**Damaged cattle grid**

**Tom and John replaced the damaged wood at the cattle grid with new wood and screws. The council then removed this and replaced it with inferior wood and nails.**

**A report has also been sent regarding the cattle grid at the other end of the village.**

**HC repairs**

**Reports and photographs have been sent to HC regarding the state of the play park, the damaged steps going down to the shore, the sign at Temperance Brae and the pot holes / erosion on the roads etc.**

**Update on HSCHT survey**

**It was agreed to hold an open meeting / drop-in on the afternoon of November 10th from 3 - 6pm at the village hall. The results of the survey will be on display along with information on energy efficiency, home improvement and repairs. Residents will have the opportunity to comment on potential projects in the village and ask any questions to Morven Taylor of HSCHT. It is hoped that a steering group will be set up after this meeting to work in partnership with HSCHT.**

**Finances.**

**Balance stands at £12,616.25, of which £10,000 is ring-fenced for the community resilience fund. It was agreed that travel expenses would be paid to any CC members attending meetings or courses out with the area. These would need to be approved by the members as and when they** arise.

**Planning matters**

**Nothing reported.**

**Correspondence**

**Hands on Events have written with proposed dates for 2018 Bealach Beag & Mor events on the 12th of May and 1st of September.**

**Gordon Drysdale sent an email regarding the primary school sign. Kate informed us that HC were erecting a new sign.**

**Nommie Cameron highlighted that the grass bank between Nanny's and Rivendell had not been cut this year. Also that the verges between Shieldaig and Kinlocewe had not been cut which is obstructing the line of sight in places. Both issues will be reported to HC by Kalie.**

**Kalie and Kate have been liaising with the residents along the coast road and HC regarding the planned 30 week disruption while power and high speed broadband cables are being laid between Shieldaig and Sand. Kalie has also written to Ian Blackford MP to see if there is any possibility of locals benefiting from high speed broadband from the cable. She is meeting with the SSE operational manager on October 5th to discuss minimising the disruption.**

**Community resilience plan**

**Surveys will be distributed in November assessing the needs of the community in an emergency. We are keen to have suggestions on emergency equipment to purchase with the resilience fund.**

**AOCB**

**\* Kate updated us on the stage 2 report to Transport Scotland regarding the bypass at Loch Carron.**

**\* She informed us of a report on speeding on the NC500 being sent to Ch. Supt. MacDonald. She also discussed the Strategic Road Plan for the NC500.**

**\* It was brought up that the drains at Temperance Brae are needing attention.**

**\* Tom informed us that people have been camping on Shieldaig Island recently. He will contact the NTS regarding possible signs to be placed on the shore and the island.**

**Date of next meeting: 7th of November at 7.30pm**

**Shieldaig CC meets on the first Tuesday at 7.30pm in the months of September, October & November, and then February, March, April, June (AGM).**

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