

Shieldaig Community Council Comhairle Choimhearsnachd Sildeag

Minutes of meeting Tuesday 7th October

Present: Duncan Carmichael (Acting Chair), Gerry Beard (Secretary), Lyndsay Dacker, Viv Rollo, Ann Barton, Donald Gillanders, Cllr. Audrey Sinclair

Apologies: Richard Munday, Gemma Livingstone and P.C. Gary Taylor

1.Minutes of the last meeting

Accepted as the record of the meeting.

2. Matters arising

SSE's Emergency Plan

Shona Horn (Stakeholder Engagement at SSE) will be attending the November CC meeting and it was agreed that Gerry should contact Applecross and Lochcarron CCs inviting them to send a representative.

Campsite

A proposal for the future management of the site is being prepared by Ruairidh and Hazel MacLennan.

Bealach Beag cycle events

Hands on Events have offered the following dates for 2015. Bealach Beag on 18th April and Bealach Mor on 5th September.

3. Police Matters

See appendix.

4. Finance report- to follow

5. Bulk rubbish bins

An approach to Robbie Bain on this issue together with photos of the overflowing bins resulted in a phone call from Mr Andy Tuckwood who has overall control of these matters, together with a proposal to visit on the 4th November to discuss the level of provision, and an offer of help with our recycling effort.

6. Roads etc

North Coast roadworks underway, Audrey to speak to Bryan Stout regarding additional expenditure of approximately £35K which would allow complete resurfacing of a section beyond Inverbain rather than the present proposal of repairing potholes.

Cattle grids are still a problem and a road sign identifying the community of Doire - Aonar also to be requested.

7. Super Fast Broadband

In response to the news that Shieldaig is unlikely to see SFB in the near future, Gerry completed an online Digital Highlands (HIE) information request regarding SFB roll-out timescales, a response is awaited.

8.Road Safety

Issues on the A896 in the area of Baile Shuas have still to be resolved, Road Safety officer Drew Anderson is no longer employed by HC, however HC are to request an update from Police Scotland as to their comments and proposals on the analysis of traffic census data with view to a road safety meeting.

9. Shieldaig Community Assn.

Date of next meeting 28th October 7 p.m.

10. Correspondence

Highland Council Community Groups - interested parties to respond by 22 Oct. Two Lochs Radio - now available in the Torridon area

11. Planning

Cllr Audrey Sinclair took no part in the discussion. Amended design to an existing approval for Tigh an Leigh

12. AOCB

NHS public consultation Public Patient Forum next meeting 13th October, Shieldaig Biosphere Project meeting, 16th October at 2 p.m.Strathcarron Hotel

Date of the next meeting – Tuesday 4th November at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Appendix

Locharron beat report for August 2014

Total number of calls to Police in month 27, compared with 29 calls in August 2013

Crimes in beat area:

Theft of Yamaha outboard engine, Applecross Public telephone box broken into, Strathcarron Drink driver arrested, Lochcarron Vehicle without MOT, Strathcarron.

Other Police matters: Mountain rescue on Torridon range Sheep killed by Lorry, A890 Lochcarron

Lochcarron beat report for September 2014

Total number of calls to Police in month 23, compared with 27 calls in September 2013.

Crimes in beat area: Male assaulted, Shieldaig Domestic assault, Lochcarron

Other Police matters: Mountain rescue, Monach Falls Mountain rescue, Uags area, Applecross