

**STRATHERRICK & FOYERS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 17th December 2013**  
**AT THE CRAIGDARROCH HOUSE HOTEL, FOYERS 7.30pm**

Present:

Ian Bateman (IB)	Iain Brown (IBR)	Whitebridge,
Liam MacNally (LM)	Catriona Fraser (CF)	Gorthleck
Morag Cameron (MC)	Sally McGuire (SM)	Glenlia, Foyers
Martin Donnelly (MDO)		Foyers

Councillor Drew Hendry (DH)  
Apologies – Councillor Davidson, Ros Rowell

**Agenda**

(On advice of the Ward Manager an emergency agenda item regarding the latest revision of the SFCT articles was postponed to the New Year – see below

**1. Adoption of minutes of 26<sup>th</sup> November**

Proposed: Martin Donnelly.                      Seconded: Liam MacNally.

**2. Matters Arising from last meeting**

Postponed until January

**3 Treasurer's Report**

Liam reported a Current Account Balance of £311.53, and itemised recent transactions. There was hitch with Internet Banking as Clydesdale does not have a facility for two internet signatories. Liam is happy to keep using pen & paper.

**3. Fire & Rescue Report**

Neil K reported that all had been quiet

**5. Police Report**

Sgt Blakey reported that a safety talk had been delivered to pupils at Stratherrick Primary. Also that the rural thefts continue to the South of our CC area. Please be vigilant and report any suspicious vehicles.

**6. Corriegarth Road Improvements**

On behalf of SFCC Iain had driven along the roads with TEC and agreed to the less controversial widening of laybys etc. TECS have committed to phone those immediately affected by the works to discuss drainage, issues with snow melt, septic tank outfalls. Agreed that plans of all intended improvements to be displayed at January SFCC mtg. Agreed to Iain's initial response to TEC on the road improvements

Proposed: Catriona, Seconded: Martin

**7. CC Pilot Scheme** Councillor Hendry explained the idea behind a pilot, which is already running in Strathglass is intended to give CCs more direct input on Roads/Drainage/Local Tourism/Local Social Care/ Local Development Plan

Initially for SFCC this trial would focus on Roads & Drainage. A GPS enabled camera would enable SFCC to send details of any issues direct to our 'account' at TECS. Initially a TECS officer would drive round with SFCC & catalogue all outstanding issues with said camera. We keep camera & add 'faults' as they arise. TECS can then have an ongoing overview of what needs to be done where & can plan works more efficiently. SFCC would have input on prioritising major works.

First phase of pilot envisaged Jan – May 2014 – then we can proceed further or not.

No cost to SFCC.

Agreed to be part of pilot Proposed Sally Seconded Morag

**8. Planning** – no new applications. Sally has contacted Planning about the repetition of "old" applications in recent weeks

### **9. Correspondence**

1. Alistair Chisolm had contacted Iain about a large tree in the Old Boleskine Cemetery which had blown over & damaged/dislodged several headstones. Query over land ownership. TECS have been informed.

2. Gritting. Catriona had received info from TECS that the Gritting can & does spread across both sides of the relevant twin track road. The gritting device can be adjusted to spray a width of between 2m & 6m in one pass.

4. Dell Windfarm

Iain had a request from The Dell developer to present the latest access idea at the January meeting, prior to a planning application in February.

5. Margaret Davidson had alerted SFCC to the sale of a field in Lower Foyers. She had registered a possible interest in this being used for community purposes – allotments?

### **AOCB**

1. Community Trust articles.

Charles Stephen mooted another meeting between SFCT & SFCC to finalise the articles proposed by the working group.

After some discussion of time scales, it was suggested that a meeting be convened by the articles working group to which any member of the community could attend and ask questions about the proposed articles prior to them going before the SFCT AGM in February. Possible date of 14<sup>th</sup> January to be confirmed.

2. Ros Rowell's Resignation

3. Ros had decided to step down from the SFCC for health reasons. It was agreed to co-opt a replacement – volunteers sought....!

Meeting closed at 8.30pm, and was immediately followed by a presentation of trophies for success in the 2013 Loch Ness Marathon. First Local home: Marianne, First in 10Km race: Alec Sutherland. Councillor Drew Hendry made the presentations.