**Dornie & District Community Council**

**Minutes 27th July 2020 7pm via Zoom**

**Present:** Cllr. Biz Campbell, Fay MacKenzie, Isabelle MacKenzie, Alison Jack, Janice Nixon

Minutes of 24th February approved *(amendment of “*Stella Baker confirmed she would continue as *Treasurer”.*

* **BC** confirmed the Dornie Hall toilets would open on Friday 31st July 2020. (The community council were concerned that they had remained closed and had written to **BC** 26/7/20) The committee thanked **BC** for expressing her concerns at the ward meeting today and then speaking directly to Caroline Campbell (Highland Council) and Donald Finlayson (Dornie Hall Committee) and resolving the matter.
* **FM** reported that Miranda van Lynden had said that the new parking in front of the Loch Duich Apartments was at the planning stage.
* **JN** asked **BC** what was the situation with the Auchtertyre Development, **BC** said that she had tried her best but she didn't get enough votes from fellow councillors and the planning had been approved.
* **FM** asked **BC** about the line painting in Dornie village that was to have started earlier this year. **BC** said that the roads department were presently suffering from a lack of manpower and a lack of money.
* General discussion on Aird Ferry, committee understood the reasons for the closure due to the Covid-19 pandemic but hoped this would not now be permanent. **AJ** asked to write to Claire Cameron with our concerns and clarification of re-opening. ACTION **AJ**
* **FM** reported that Drew Fisher had been paid for the grass cutting.
* **AJ** reported to the committee that there had been no written reply from Police Scotland, regarding a complaint the community council had received that the member of the public could not get through to 101.
* General discussion on the format of the next meeting as public meetings are still not permitted by the Scottish Government. With regret the next meeting will have to be closed to the public but members of the Dornie & District area are urged to either email the committee or get in touch with any member if they have a complaint or issue they would like brought to the community councils attention.
* **AJ** reported that there had been no reply from Visit Scotland regarding amending the tourist information brown signs (edit after meeting - the email reply said that Visit Scotland would “forward our email to the Highland Council and BEAR Scotland as they would be better placed to advise on this matter” dated 10th April 2020.)
* **AJ** proposed that the “Dornie & District Community Resilience Group” Facebook page be changed to “Dornie & District Community Council” and as a preferred method of online presence. The dornie.org.uk website was limited, particularly with photo uploads. The Dornie Blessing Box is closing on the 31st July 2020 and the prescription collection and delivery service was phasing down.**FM** said that the voucher scheme was operating until September 2020. **AJ** and **JN** are admins of this page. ALL AGREED.
* **JN** proposed we thank Robbie Bain formerly for his help and service to the community council as Ward Manager for over 20years. ALL AGREED. **AJ** to write and **Stella Baker** (Treasurer) to be requested for £50 as a gift for Mr Bain.
* **AOCB**
* **AJ** asked the committee of the preferred frequency of forwarding CC emails to the rest of the committee. **FM** proposed only urgent forwarded the same day and **JN** proposed rest at fortnightly gaps. ALL AGREED.
* FM reported that Skye Response is donating hand sanitiser to the Hall committee.

**Next meeting Monday 24th August 2020 at 7pm**. It is hoped it will be in Dornie Hall (in main hall for social distancing, N.B. committee members only due to covid -19 restrictions) **FM** to contact Hall Committee (otherwise will be another Zoom meeting)

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