Dornie & District Community Council

DRAFT Minutes Ordinary Meeting

Monday 25th September 7pm Dornie Hall

1. Present: Cllr Biz Campbell; Alison Macrae; Donald Macrae; Karen Macrae; Alison Jack; Fay Mackenzie. Apologies: Janice Nixon;, Matt Baron, PO Steven Harre-Young; Tibby Mackenzie
2. last minutes approved by KM ,seconded by AM
3. Financial report from Treasurer: FM reported that the balance was £2129.48. ACTION: KM to ask Linda Brooks (energy group) about the remaining grant money that has not been used. ACTION FM to confirm any remaining balance of the Tidy-Up grant to be spent.
4. Police update: PO Harre-Young sent an update in his absence. Police remain aware of parking issues in and around Eileen Donan and have been ensuring patrols occur at different times of the day to engage with people there. We are aware of drones being used to photograph and film the castle and area, and I myself moved on some tourists who had parked on the path by the causeway who had stopped to fly their drone… we will continue to be vigilant about this, especially whilst visiting traffic remains very high. AJ said that there had been no reply yet from PS Lennie regarding meeting about overflow parking/volume of A87 traffic
5. Roads. KM had emailed Andy Bone (Highland Council) about the flooding coming down Carr Brae on 21st sept but had not had a reply. AJ said that Mr Bone replied to her email regarding Carr Brae works(dated 4th sept –“ There may be some surface defects on the road and the minor bank slip, still to attend, but we are super tight for resources right now (65% of men on AL) and with other higher priority works we are currently attending.let me know what other defects you feel may remain outstanding, that you have been made aware of, and I will see about adding them to our program.” ACTION KM to follow up with Andy Bone asking if the drains can be checked. FM/DM discussed the tree at Carndubh which is in danger of going over the road. ACTION AJ to email Andy Bone to ask if HC/tree officer can check it. AJ reported that BEAR will be undertaking the outstanding works on the underpass in October 2023 (raised by cc in February 2022).
6. AOCB a) Shop update/Dornie & District Community Trust update: KM reported that the shop are waiting on two designs from the architects and these will be displayed at an open day. A pre-application regarding Graham House sent to the Scottish Land Fund had been well received, with the outcome that the DDCT are to apply for stage one funding. b)no Moorings Update c) Energy group update:on 7th sept Linda Brooks had forwarded on to the cc a few links to the SEPA website (septic tanks and how to contact SEPA regarding a pollution event. No reply from LB regarding SEPA survey d) tidy up project: The planters are almost finished being cut back for the winter. ACTION AJ/FM to organise volunteers for 1st October 11am e) decking at Airdferry : BC emailed cc 21st sept “ HC could not proceed with the patio at Airdferry as they had leased it to the NHS. It would be up to the tenant to carry out the work for the patio, so now we have to ask the NHS to carry out the work”. ACTION AJ to contact Cathy O Kane regarding endowments funding from NHS f) AJ reported that Philip Waite emailed the cc back 4th sept regarding ‘nearest toilets sign’ . Jamie Bankhead (Access Ranger) was to call MB but we have no further update for tonight’s meeting.
7. Any other item of business a) FM said there is to be meeting regarding the Dornie Hall car park ( 25th October) with members of the Hall committee and various from Highland Council (Debbie Sutton Amenities Manager; Shane Manning Principal Traffic Officer; Willie Mackinnon Ward manager). FM asked AJ if she could attend to represent cc. BC said that the hall committee have applied to register an interest to the regeneration fund for funds to refurbish the hall toilets b) KM reported that Plockton Primary gaelic medium unit was due to be refurbished over the summer but the canteen building flooded, resulting in it being condemned. Only the nursery pupils are remaining in the primary school building.
8. No Questions or contributions from public present.
9. Date of Next meeting to be confirmed. CC elections are due with nominations closing 3rd October and the next meeting date depends if cc is contested or uncontested.

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