

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KINLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 14
DECEMBER 2016 AT 8.00PM IN BALALLAN OLD SCHOOL.**

PRESENT: Iain Maciver Peter MacIennan
 Kenneth R Mackay Donald MacIennan
 Colin Brand Sandra Macdonald
 Cllr Angus Morrison

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllr Cudig Macleod.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved, subject to the addition of Donald MacIennan's name in those present.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

(a) ROADWORKS

Peter highlighted the dangerous state of the road to 40 Laxay. Allegedly road was damaged by heavy haulage to the mast further in the road. This has resulted in potholes and drainage problems. Iain suggested that Mr Kershaw, landowner, should be liable for reinstating the road. Clerk to get in touch with Mr Kershaw regarding this.

(b) LAXAY NEW CEMETERY

Angus reported that surveys were carried out last week. Proposed plan ready to be considered at next planning meeting.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) POST OFFICE – The Post Office is hoping to introduce a mobile post office service throughout the islands, stopping at Laxay and Keose, amongst other locations in the island. This service is due to commence on 10 January 2017. Opening times are as follows: Laxay - 10.00am to 11.00am, Keose- 11.20am to 12.20pm. Posters advertising this service have been circulated locally.

(b) LOCHS JUNIOR FOOTBALL – A letter had been received from the Junior Football team in Sgoil Nan Loch requesting funding to attend an away game in Dundee in the Spring. Cllr Morrison agreed to fund this trip and will arrange this himself.

(c) CAIRDEAN CORDAIL CHEANN A LOCH – Letter received requesting funding to help with travel costs. Agreed that Cllr Morrison would make a donation from Ward Funding to go towards this. Clerk to write to Mrs Jessie Mary Mackenzie informing her of this decision and also that if they require funding through the MCWT small grants fund, they should submit a letter of application together with audited accounts and also detailing the specific costs involved.

(d) CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY – Email received from Mairi Mackenzie, Soval, Requesting funding to help with the costs of Christmas party for children within the Lochs area. Agreed to make a donation of £100 towards this.

5. BROADBAND

Discussion regarding superfast broadband provision, with some areas still not able to access this service. Service is limited by distance from the green boxes by the roadside. An extra box is to be installed in Balallan. Agreed that the situation needs to be monitored.

6. A.O.C.B.

(a) KHS – The historical society applied for planning permission for its proposed development at Balallan, through the Community Council and Ken Roddy, Chairperson, wished to record their thanks.

(b) Drainage – Discussion regarding the soakaways in road. Donald is to identify specific areas of concern in Airidhbhruaich and report back to Angus.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 14 February 2017 at 8.00pm in Balallan Old School.