MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KINLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2017 AT 8.00PM IN BALALLAN OLD SCHOOL.

PRESENT: Iain Maciver Peter Maclennan

Kenneth R Mackay Donald Maclennan Colin Brand Sandra Macdonald Cllr Angus Morrison Cllr Cudig Macleod

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from PC Donald Maclean.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14.12.16 were approved.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

(a) ROADWORKS

Angus reported that roadworks at No 40 Laxay have been completed. Small budget allocated by CNES for unadopted roads.

(b) LAXAY NEW CEMETERY

Proposed plan ready to be considered at next planning meeting. Following surveys done, it was found that depth is adequate, presently working on levels.

(c) MOBILE POST OFFICE

The mobile Post Office service has commenced. Some initial problems with internet access.

(d) BROADBAND

Laxay due to go "live" last Tuesday. Problems are still being reported from all villages. Another green cabinet to be located at No 1 Balallan

(e) DRAINAGE

No updates, continue to monitor situation.

4. CORRRESPONDENCE

(a) WALKING FOOTBALL CLUB

Letter received from Peter MacLennan requesting funding to buy goalposts for an over 50's walking football club that has recently commenced in The Shed, Laxay. Agreed to award £200.

(b) MARINE SCOTLAND – Licence for marine farm works – noted.

5. A.O.C.B.

(a) KINLOCH HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Ken Roddy told the meeting of the Scottish Indicators of Multiple Depravation (SIMD 12), which the Kinloch Historical Society have been quoting as support evidence in recent funding applications. These statistics show that Kinloch is the most fragile, rural area in the Western Isles, with 80% of population are over 50 years of age and 74 single occupancy homes. Discussion ensued regarding this and as to what the community council's role is in addressing this. Noted that this was a need that community council would endeavour to assist with in any way within its remit.

(b) WARD FUNDING

Cllr Morrison informed the meeting that £1000 was being transferred to the Community Council from ward funding, to assist with community projects.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 11 April 2017 at 8.00pm in Balallan Old School.

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