

Draft Minutes.

Dores & Essich Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting

Monday 18th September 2017

Dores Parish Hall at 1930hrs.

1. **Members Present:** Ella MacRae (Chair), Sarah Hartley (Secretary), Iain Cameron (Treasurer), Duncan Manson, Simon Pillatt,

Apologies: John Martin, Hayley Ross (Minutes Secretary) and Jeanette Murray (Associate member). Cllr Davidson, Cllr Carmichael

Councillors in Attendance: Cllr Ron MacWilliam

Representatives in Attendance: PC Scott McLean

Plus 8 members of the public

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2.1 Apologies from Ian MacGillvary – summary of responses to consultation not yet received from CC

2.2 HSCHT – Apologies from Susan Hunter and Michael Chisholm

2.3 E-Car Club – Sean Cowie (HiTrans) and Malcolm McRobert (E-Car Club) made a brief presentation regarding the club. They provide fleets of electric cars into communities for access via phone/laptop for booking use. This is short-term hire at £5.50 p.h. Min age 19 with license. They provide an additional transport choice. Interested in finding out whether our community would like such a scheme. The objective is to prove demand and usefulness of a charge point and the viability of having a vehicle in the community. Can be as low as 3/5 people using regularly. There are no implementation costs for the community. [Link to website www.ecarclub.co.uk](http://www.ecarclub.co.uk)

Action: SH to send email to obtain information link and to circulate round the community.

3. **Minutes from the last meeting:** 24th July 2017 2017. A true record. **Pro:** DM **Sec:** SP.

4. **Police Report:** Given by PC Scott MacLean

A few matters raised with the Police over the period. Additional report relating to drugs related offences at Groove festival although noted that there were no more offenses than would be expected at an event of this type.

5. **Matters Arising from the last meeting:**

5.1 Scottish Water: CC have received communication from Gavin Steel at Scottish Water. Agreed to keep pressure on SW.

5.2 Safer Routes to School – no update available

5.3 Cemetery Extension – no update available.

5.4 Environmental Issues – Torr Gardens – it was noted that work has commenced on the ‘Triangle’ at Torr Gardens (front).

Action: Steering Group meeting to be arranged.

5.5 Affordable Homes: no response from Alan Maguire. EM has spoken to THC re 20% affordable housing provision and has been informed that 25%+ has been provided at Essich Meadows. EM had viewed site to confirm.

5.6 Memorial Upgrade – low consultation response in writing. IC update position with War Memorial Trust. Plaques have been ordered. Some concern/ambiguity over actual ownership of land at Church.

Action: EM to pass details of church contact to IC.

6. **Treasurers Report-** Given by IC. No questions raised

- Agreed to renew plants at Bus Stop
- Noted previous business meeting recommendation to increase secretaries remuneration to £450 p.a. Community Council discussed – agreed Prop: DM, Sec: SP

7. **Correspondence:**

- Received email from Red Cross inviting Communities to participate in free First Aid training. Agreed to pass to Heidi Seaton for interest.
- Email from Jenna Black at SSE inviting participation in Community Liaison Group and update on 30mph restrictions on Essich Road during works
- Invitation to Rural Inverness Communities Convention – 1st November
- Invitation to Kirking of the Council
- Invitation to submit application for Participatory Budgeting. SH raised concerns over allocation process. Agree SH to contact Charles Stephen with concerns.
- Community Firework display – noted that The Dores Inn is applying for public license. There was discussion over cost of license and fireworks. SH to check with Roo Campbell for amount in Firework Fund.

8. **Planning and Development:**

Ardmore – Community Council Agreed to support the application

Tigh Na Coile – no objections

Achnabat – pre-planning letter – agreed to raise concern over need for another mast to Stuart Black

Licensing application from Loch Ness Spirits – no issues

ILI Pump Storage – presentation was given last month. No further detail discussed at the meeting. JM is working and making further contact for information. 3 new guidelines just received and to be put on website. EM noted that at the Business Meeting it was discussed that we require external, independent advice via the funding available for this. Community Council agreed with the recommendation that

- Ensure information goes out to all
- All future meetings are clearly and accurately minuted and details put on website/FB
- We require external, independent advise and to investigate opportunities

9. **A.O.C.B**

- **Cllr Ron MacWilliam** introduced himself and stated that he is particularly keen to get involved.
- IC raised issue of multi-use path from Tesco to Torbreck Road end.
- EM also asked for information and clarity on Safer Route to School issue at Essich.

Date of the next meeting 13th November 2017 at 7.30

Meeting closed 2100 hrs