

DORES & ESSICH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on 2nd November 2013 in Dores Parish Hall 7.30pm

1. Members Present: Ella MacRae, (EMacR) Chair

Steve Feltham, (SF) Duncan Manson (DM)

John Hedger, Treasurer (JH)

In Attendance: Sarah Hartley (SH) (Correspondence Clerk), Minutes

1 member of the public

2. Apologies:

Cllr Drew Hendry, Sgt Andrew Blakley, Graham Scott, Clare Cuthbertson, PC Aros Matheson, Roslyn MacKay (RMack)

3. Adoption of Previous Minute (21st October 1013):

Proposed: Steve Feltham Seconded: Duncan Manson

Matters Arising from Previous Minute:

Small Communities Housing Trust – EMacR has received a copy of the Community Impact Assessment from Susan Hunter. Will forward to Members of the CC. Hard copy requested.

Action: E MacR

SSE Open afternoon held here on the 27th Nov. Information is still available at the Hall & a questionnaire. Agreed to send a letter to Lisa Marchi cc MSPs regarding recent representations made to the CC about the proposed High Line route, traffic and concerns about noise levels ref. Balblair.

Action: SH

Fish Farm – SH has sent email to Nicola Drummond but no response so far. **Action : SH**

Winter Resilience - Equipment not yet arrived – to chase

Action: RMack

Church of Scotland – SH has made some progress and will speak to Church to establish their position.

Action: SH

Roads and Signs – No progress on signs. Need to chase Richard Evans for plan to progress.

Action: SH

Rockness – Agreed to liaise with Dores Inn prior to any event.

Throw in buoys – No progress

Action: SF

Safety Signs – not yet in situ. To chase

Action: SH

LEADER – Issues with 'in-kind' will not be resolved until return of documents to the Council from Audit. Obtain receipt from THC for cycle shelter

Action: SH

Bus shelter clearance – EMacR awaiting feedback

Aldourie Castle – Stewart Easthaugh has reported some progress. CC wish to be consulted by Planning prior to any final agreement.

Action: SH

IRA New School Buildings – Plans now available on Council Website

Bonar 20mph – Sgt Blakley has discussed options with residents

5. Correspondence

Inverness Common Good Fund – Winter payments – information to be placed on Notice Board

IRA – Full Planning Permission application. SF has letter for information

Foyers Caravan and Camping – response received

Winter Maintenance Plan received from THC

Review of Polling Districts and Places received from THC

Invitation to all CC members for Training on 10th December at Town House 6.30

6. Treasurer's Report

One additional item since last meeting – web hosting - £7.18

7. Water, Sewage, Roads

None

8. Planning

No Planning List received this month

Action: SH

Local Development Plan

CC discussed a number of areas on the Plan and will feed this back into the consultation.

Action: SH

11. AOCB

Police – it was noted that the press reported that a Police Car had been placed in Dores during the recent telephone problem. It was agreed to write to Sgt Blakely cc Charles Stephen to highlight need to inform residents of their presence should such an event occur again.

Action: SH

Fireworks/Halloween – Discussed role of CC in recent events and agreed that whilst the input from the Dores Inn was appreciated, any letter of thanks should come from the organisers of the events.

Aldourie Post - the school will once again be offering the Christmas Postal service from 7-19th December

Co-option of Secretary – to chase Cllr DH for assistance in this

Action: SH

Christmas Lights – disappointment was again expressed about the lights in the village. Agreed to try to improve

Action: DM

Dates of Community Council meetings for 2014 agreed and to be publicised accordingly.

Action: SH

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Next meeting - Monday 27th January 2014 at 7.30pm in Dores Parish Hall