

GARVE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

of the meeting held at Achnasheen on Tuesday 1st August 2000

Present: Doug Winship, Brian Denoon, Lady Eliza Leslie Melville, Eimir Hughes Winship, Marie Mackenzie, Dena Ross, Alec Mackenzie, Councillor Ewen Mackinnon, Ronnie Ross.

Apologies Sheree Grant, George Gamble, and Pat Campbell who has been in an accident. A get well card was passed round for signatures.

Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting was proposed by Brian Denoon and seconded by Lady Eliza.

Matters Arising:

Garve Flooding. A letter had been received from SEPA briefly explaining the warning system for Garve residents in the event of flooding, but no mention of the Loch. Councillor Mackinnon has contacted the Forestry and the Hydro Board, neither of which own the problem area, down to the railway bridge. Conon Fisheries do not own this. Garve Hotel only have the fishing rights, but have no idea where from. A letter should be sent to Garve Hotel regarding their responsibilities.

NOSWA - Garve water quality is still poor.

Achnasheen Street Lighting - the correct globes have now been fitted.

Deer on roads - some are killed by vehicles, very often deer are not killed but considerable damage is done to vehicles. The reflective poles seem to work as nothing has been killed where these poles are.

Bushes - too close to the railway line, also obstructing drivers' view at road junctions. Railtrack and Roads Department contacted, awaiting replies. Railtrack also contacted about the lack of secure fencing.

AOCB Alec Mackenzie talked about the Garve Co-operative TV system, £400 is required for spare boosters for the system. Councillor Mackinnon will try and follow up, Shieltaig may receive a grant from the BBC to help with problems. Lady Eliza said the charity Help The Aged may be able to assist as many residents are pensioners.

Complaints about the grass cutting in Achnasheen have been received. One patch was left uncut because of wild flowers, but these have now died. Dena Ross will speak to Hector. Grass on the roundabout is now too long and could be a hazard.

NOTE The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting, in Garve, on Tuesday **24th October 2000**.