

**Minute of Beaulieu Community Council Meeting
held on Monday, 29th October, 2012, in Phipps Hall at 7.30pm**

Present: C.Council: Rosie McDonald, Seona Fraser, Maratina Coleman, Belle Maxwell, Jim Stewart,
James Campbell, Tony Boyland
HC Member: Cllr Helen Carmichael, Cllr Hamish Wood
Police: PC Jim Renwick

1. **Previous Minute**

Minute No.49 was read and approved. Proposed by Maratina Coleman and seconded by James Campbell.

2. **Matters Arising from Previous Minute**

a) **Police Matters**

Car sales are still being carried out at Bank of Scotland, but as long as the vehicles are taxed and insured there is nothing the Police can do. Sgt Hay supports lighting the play area. The Police have noted great interest in our parking issues and wish to be involved when the public meeting is arranged. There have been 3 accidents near the railway bridge on Croyard Road recently. Mr Russell of Highland Council spoke to both the Police and Railtrack and they felt that barriers would be a good idea. Richard Evans, Area Roads & Community Works Manager is following this up.

b) **The Cnoc**

Lovat Estate has agreed to address the issue of the trees on their land on the east side of the burn and a tender has been issued. Further to a meeting with Cllr Carmichael, the residents on the west side of the burn (Garden Place) have agreed to contact their solicitors re the boundary line of their properties and their responsibilities.

c) **Braeview Community Development Sub-Committee**

Most of the equipment is in place, ready for use, apart from the zip slide. A mechanical digger will be used for the rest of the path. There has to be a cut in the fence and Tony Boyland and Jim Stewart will agree where this should be.

d) **Village Plan**

With the Kessock Bridge closure nearing, Beaulieu will be busier than ever with cars parking in the village. Various suggestions were made asking motorists to park in Braeview car park, e.g. car sharing, leaflets on the windscreens. Cllrs Carmichael and Wood will contact the Ward Manager to that effect – “No all day parking”. Meantime CC members will put forward their suggestions to help resolve the bad parking in the village long term.

e) **Benches** - Ongoing.

f) **Fairburn Wind Farm** - Ongoing.

g) **Funding from Highland Cross**

The application has been submitted for lighting the play area plus additional equipment and refurbishing the old tennis court. SSE will provide £1,200 for wood and £400 for a skip. An application will go in to Ward Discretionary Budget for additional funds. It was suggested that netting might be better than wood. The price for resurfacing the tennis court will be around £30,000-£40,000.

h) Monument Clean-up

This needs the work of a stone mason. Belle Maxwell to give James Campbell the contact details of Andrew Stewart who did the work on the fountain plaque.

i) House of Beaully - Ongoing.

j) Web Site

We have 2 choices - there is the free site and there is Coleen's team, who will develop a site for us and maintain it for a price. The problem with the free site is that someone is going to have to organise it. Tony Boyland will provide more details.

k) The Old Priory

Tony Boyland, Rosie McDonald, Jane Campbell and Belle Maxwell met at the Priory with 2 representatives of Historic Scotland, Brian Ford and Lesley Hay, who are stationed at Fort George. There was a vast improvement to the site, mainly because they have employed a new maintenance team. Vandalism is quite serious, some gravestones have been chipped away due to skateboards. The seriously damaged gravestone has been fixed. At the main wrought iron gate the frost had pushed up the slabs and the gate cannot close properly – this is on their maintenance schedule. The Rose Garden is part of the Priory land and not Highland Council, therefore Historic Scotland will seek permission to lay slabs under the 'Beaully in Bloom' bench.

l) Switching on of Christmas Lights

James Campbell will switch on the lights this year 6.30 for 7.00pm. Seona Fraser will organise poster and selection boxes. The children will provide a lantern parade.

m) Gala Flags - Ongoing.

n) Beaully Station

We now have funding to extend the station car park along the railway line, which will double the existing size. Hard core will be put down. Details of the agreement have yet to be finalised.

o) Boundary Changes - Another letter of objection has been sent by the Community Council.

p) Allotments - Ongoing.

q) Walk to Windhill - Tony Boyland will follow this walk and report back.

3. Correspondence

- a) Highland Council – Demolition of Building & Redevelopment of site as house plots at House of Beaully - application refused.
- b) Eric Moodie – thank you letter for his presentation gift on his retiral earlier in the year.
- c) Highland Senior Citizens' Network - asking for support to help the elderly in the Highlands. Info sent to Beaully Care Project and Dr McNamara' letter acknowledged.
- d) Scottish & Southern Energy – Beaully to Mossford 132kV Replacement Overhead Transmission Line. They have received consent for the January planning application.
- e) Inverness Area Community Council - Copy of Constitution and notifying all CCs that Catriona Johnson is new Chairperson. Next meeting late November.
- f) Boundaries Commission for Scotland – email acknowledging our letter of objection.
- g) Scottish Government emailed the following documents: Third National Planning Framework (NPF3) and a Review of Scottish Planning Policy: Public Information Notices (PINs) Portal.
- h) Highland Council – emailed details of the Information Day for the Flood System.

4. **Any Other Business**

a) **Xmas Lunch**

It was decided that we all meet for Xmas lunch on Monday, 10th December, at the Priory Hotel. Belle Maxwell to organise.

5. **Planning Applications**

- **Glenoran House** - Revised planning application- Remove existing single storey extension and erecting a new one. No objection, but the vote was not unanimous – 4/2.

6. **Date of Next Meeting**

Monday, 26th November, 2012, at 7.30pm.