

**Minute of Beaully Community Council
held on Monday, 28th October, 2013, at 7pm in Phipps Hall**

Present: C Council: Seona Fraser, Rosie McDonald, Maratena Coleman, Belle Maxwell
Jim Stewart, James Campbell, Jane Campbell
HC Member: Hamish Wood
Police: Sgt Gregor Hay, PC Billy McDonald
Public: Ashley Macrae, Helen Zblewski

Apologies: Tony Boyland, Cllr Drew Hendry, Cllr Margaret Davidson, Cllr Helen Carmichael

1. **Minute of Previous Meeting**

There are 2 amendments to Minute No.59 as follows: Item 4(i) should read Fire Station and not Filling Station, and item 5(2) Aird Place should be Aird Road. After accepting these amendments the minute was proposed by Jim Stewart and seconded by Seona Fraser.

2. **Matters Arising from Previous Minute**

a) **Police Matters**

Sgt Hay went through his report in detail (copy of which is attached). When asked, he confirmed that Police Scotland will be reducing Traffic Wardens and eventually withdrawing them entirely. A speed survey is being carried out in the Aird Road area 2(g).

b) **Village Monument Clean-up** - Estimates will be provided shortly.

c) **Fountain in Square**

Jim Stewart spoke to Mr Ironside, Stonemason from Smithston, who had been instrumental in pointing the Merkat Cross, and who did not think there would be any problem in replacing the missing stone **Jim Stewart and James Campbell** will liaise with him and obtain an estimate.

d) **Funding RBS and Highland Cross**

Highland Cross – closing date for applications for funding is 31st October, 2013. RBS funding – there is no closing date. Because the CC is not a charity, to apply for funding we would need to have a Tax Exemption Certificate. **Belle Maxwell** to check with Charles Stephen.

e) **Area Around Shinty Club** - Ongoing.

f) **Braeview Development Park**

Cllr Hamish Wood reported that some neighbours have been complaining about the noise from the zip slide. The slide needs a new buffer and it will be out of commission awaiting a replacement.

Some of the benches appear to have a fault (dipping in the middle). The manufacturer will be contacted. **Action Jim Stewart.**

g) Maple Vale Play Park

Awaiting the outcome of the Ward Business Meeting. In the meantime, Jim Stewart says there is

a distinct possibility of help from the Community Services and a traffic survey is being undertaken.

It appears that the Village Officer is not providing much help. Cllr Margaret Davidson to be notified. **Action Belle Maxwell.**

h) Switching on of Christmas Lights - Thursday, 28th November

Please find updated programme for the lantern parade:

6.15pm	Carol singing by Cath and Jack Jenkins
6.20pm	Lantern parade leaves Braeview Park
6.25pm	Parade arrives at Merkat Cross
6.30pm	Carol singing by school children
6.45pm	If needed - Carol singing by Cath and Jack Jenkins
7.00pm	Lights switched on by the Gala Queen followed by Xmas CD until arrival of Santa Claus

Cllr Carmichael to confirm what Corner-on-the-Square is contributing.

Awaiting delivery of a new Santa suit.

Unfortunately, this is the same date as the Highland Cross Presentation in the Town House.

i) Large Shed outside British Legion

Rosie McDonald approached Lovat Estate who said this shed will be demolished but at the moment there is no timescale. They are undecided as to what is happening with the area but they will be in contact with us.

j) Overhanging Tree at Braeview (Bidgood) - No finance available at the moment.

k) Station Yard

There are 90 cabins/units still on site but they will be removed within the next 6/8 weeks. Once the area is cleared then Farquhar will decide what to do.

3. Correspondence

- a) Police Scotland – Traffic Warden Review
- b) Police Scotland – Public Counter Service Provision
- c) Highland Road Safety Group Seminar, 22nd November, City Chamber, 12.30pm-4.30pm
- d) Thorntons Solicitors, Dundee. - Insurance claim for accident in Braeview Park on behalf of Ms Christine McChristie, 9 Croyard Park.
- e) Highland Council – IMFLDP web site – www.highland.gov.uk/imfldp.
- f) Inverness CC Forum Meeting, 19th November, Town House, 6.30pm for 7.00pm.
- g) Charles Stephen – Climate Challenge Fund – deadline for applications 6th January 2014.
- h) Highland Council – IMFLDP date for Beauly, Lovat Hotel, 19th November, 4.00-8.00pm.
- i) Letter from Cllr Drew Hendry to Tony Boyland re meetings with CC Chairs and Secretaries
- j) Highland Council – Date for CC Training, Town House, 26th November 7.00-9.00pm, Dingwall, City Chambers, 25th November, 5.30-7.30pm.
- k) Wicksteed Playscapes – play park equipment 10% off.

4. **Any Other Business**

a) Xmas Lunch

It was suggested, and agreed, to have High Tea this year. **Maratena Coleman** will action.

b) 300 Year Old Oak Tree

This 300 year old tree, situated just past the entrance to the station and wooden house on left hand side of the road heading towards the Toll, has been felled because of a deadly fungus. The trees down both sides of the road should be checked. **Action Cllr Hamish Wood**

c) Cherry Trees - The lights will be fitted in 2 weeks.

5. **Date of Next Meeting** - Monday, 25th November, 2013, at 7pm in Phipps Hall.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FORM

Command Area	East Division	Community Group	Beaully
Station	Beaully	Officer Attending	PS 749 Hay
Data of Meeting	28/10/13	Location	Phipps Hall, Beaully

Meeting Preparation

Ward and Local Policing Plan Priorities.	Activities conducted over the reporting period to support those priorities.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Road Safety 2. Antisocial Behaviour 3. Alcohol Abuse 4. Theft and Poaching 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Officers in the Beaully beat area have dealt with eleven road traffic collisions. Officers charged one driver with Careless driving. Other motorists were also targeted for speeding and two vehicles were seized by Police due to the drivers not having valid insurance. 2. An act of Vandalism was reported on Croyard Road with a vehicle having sustained damage. Enquiries are ongoing into this matter and a positive detection appears likely. One Beaully resident was arrested for a number of anti social offences and appeared from custody. A problem surrounding youths throwing down litter and eggs in the vicinity of the playpark at Braeview Park has been reported by one local resident and youths have been spoken to, ongoing patrols will monitor this issue. 3. No incidents were highlighted in the Beaully area in relation to alcohol abuse. 4. There have been a number of incidents within the rural communities surrounding Beaully concerning theft of tools and equipment from insecure vehicles. This matter is flagged to the members in the hope that the message can be put out to the community in relation to vehicle security.
Update on Previously Agreed Actions – See previous OP 55/8 & Relevant Reference on the Area Command Action Tracking Table	
Update on any local community safety issues / trends within the community and any assistance / information requested from the community. Review IMPACT / intelligence etc	
None highlighted at this time.	

Any local / Area Command / Divisional / Police Scotland updates / key messages

Local Officers are still keen to hear from any residents who may be approached by suspicious individuals who are invariably in possession of vans, whilst it is not conclusive rural thefts are still being reported and suspicious vehicles and their occupants should be reported to Police using the telephone number 101. Needless to say vehicle registration numbers should be noted in the first instance.

Meeting Outcomes

Date Raised	Issue	Agreed / Proposed Actions	Area Command Action Tracking Table Reference	Remarks

Intelligence - SID Log References (If submitted)

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Next Meeting

Date 25/11/13		Time 1930hrs	Location Phipps Hall, Beaulieu
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Area Commander Review

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