

## DORNIE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF MEETING IN DORNIE HALL 30<sup>th</sup> November 2009

**Present:** Kenny Fraser, Graham Hewitt, Fay MacKenzie, Suzanne Meikle, Angus Peterkin,  
**In Attendance:** Cllr Biz Campbell, Jonathan MacSween  
**Apologies:** Mike Fordyce, Angus MacDonald, Shona MacLennan, Janice Nixon, Nina Shanks

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as true and fair. (Proposer: Suzanne; Second.: Kenny)

**Treasurer's Report:** Suzanne reported that the accounts had now been audited and that the grant from HC had been received. There was a balance of £45.55, not including the grant.

**Scottish Water:** Joanna Peebles replied to the secretary's letter requesting information about any plans for Dornie saying that beyond the work at Brookside there were no further proposals. Some concern was expressed about the structural integrity of the bridge at Brookside. The CC decided to await further consultation before making any recommendations on these matters.

**Bridge Lights:** Bob Mitchell of Transport Scotland advised that work would commence during December. The painting of the underpass is in progress.

**Road Safety Meeting:** Three members of the CC attended the recent meeting with Bob Mitchell in Dornie hall which was also attended by members of Lochalsh and Loch Duich CC as well as a number of local residents. The meeting was generally useful and gave an insight into the various safety standards which Transport Scotland has to meet. It also gave an opportunity for members of the audience to raise issues of particular local concern and Bob promised to take these on board. There was special mention of the junctions at Ardelve and Scott MacMillan of Transerv mentioned a new kind of vehicle activated warning sign which could be erected on the main road to give drivers on the A87 warning of a vehicle about to join the main road. The main conclusion of the meeting, however, was that safety was the responsibility of all road users.

If any one has particular concerns about road safety issues please contact the secy with brief details.

**Correspondence:** Highland Council have a number of consultations in progress at the moment: ePlanning; Draft Transport Strategy; Housing & Property Services. SNH are also carrying out a consultation on behalf of the Scottish Government on proposed additional Special Protection Areas for Golden Eagles. Details of all of these are on our website.

**Recycling Point:** The secretary had written to June Ross of Waste Management reaffirming the CC's view that the recycling point should continue to be sited in the HC car park but that it should be moved to a more sheltered position and be provided with some screening to enhance the appearance of the facility. To date no reply has been received. Councillor Campbell is meeting John Laing, chair of TEC Services and Colin Clark, chief of Waste Management to discuss this issue and will report back.

**AGM:** It was agreed to move the date of the AGM to 27<sup>th</sup> September to coincide with the annual Accounts. The AGM will precede the normal CC meeting.

**Dornie in Bloom:** Anyone interested in helping to set up a group to brighten up Dornie with flowers, hanging baskets etc is invited to attend the next CC meeting.

**Wooden Bench:** The bench at the west end of the bridge has fallen into disrepair. Councillor Campbell agreed to raise this with TEC Services.

**Date of next meeting:** Monday 25th, January at 7.30 pm in Dornie Hall

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**Website:** The Dornie CC website carries news of meetings, issues, consultations etc as well as the minutes of CC meetings. Log on to <http://www.dornie.org.uk/> for all the latest news.