



Minutes of meeting on the 23.05.24 at 19.30 at Mercat Centre

Meeting commenced at 19.30

1. Present Rita Fenton **RMF**, Ron Ferguson **RF**, Tom Anderson **TA**, Derek Loudon **DL**, Allan Mcleod **AM**, Beverly Wells **BW**, Fiona Richardson **FR**, Liam Clancy **LC**, Mike Sutherland **MS**, Ann Sutherland **AS**, Duncan Meechan **DM**, Sandra MacDonald **SM**, Ryan Barrowman **RB**

TA welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

2. Apologies HCllr Maureen Ross

3. Police Report AM None.

4. Minutes of meeting on 18.03.2024 Minutes approved by 1st **RMF**, 2nd **BW**

5. Matters arising from minutes. Passing places at Tarbat **BW** confirmed The Highland Council confirmed that signs are to be erected next week. **BW** explained proposals to tidy up Tarbat Bus Stop with help from The Men's Shed to erect a notice board. **AM** confirmed that KALECC had written to the owner of the stone wall along the main road and that no planned repair works would take place while surface water spray from the main road was an ongoing issue that was damaging the wall. KALECC wrote to Roads regarding the surface water and drainage issues that cause puddling on the road - no response has been received. Holes in the wall at entrance to Milton was discussed and accepted that The Highland Council has erected safety barriers. **SM** confirmed that the wall owner was believed to be Katrina MacKay who lives nearby. Planning rule change was discussed **AM** to forward objection emails to **FR** & **DL**. **AM** to arrange sample Xmas light from Invergordon CC. **AM** advised that the link path project has progressed and a site visit was recently carried out by The Highland Council. **AM** to invite KALECC and Milton Community Woodlands. Keir construction volunteer day was discussed and **DL** explained that generally materials are provided **AM** explained how that might not work with our suggested projects. Mr & Mrs Sutherland from Scotsburn attended the meeting to enquire about funding for a defibrillator and we're advised on process for applying to the BT fund. **LC** also advised that the ward discretionary fund could be accessed for funding and group application criteria. **AM** explained why he had posted on the KALECC about use of Polnicol Hall. This was to establish what it was used for and who currently uses the Hall. **AM** noted that he is helping Polnicol Committee with funding applications that are desperately needed to reduce energy costs. **DL** explained that Polnicol hall does not have an email address and as such missed out on Covid-19 financial help and

has struggled to recover. **FR** offered to meet with Polnicol Committee to see how they could assist with the Polnicol Hall.

6. Reports by Highland Councillors. **DL** attended the ground breaking ceremony at Nigg cable factory. **DL** advised an update on New high school would follow the Ward councillors by-election in June 2024. **DL** confirmed that the council have reduced grass cutting in areas. Many people at the meeting pointed there have been lots of complaints made about the overgrown grass & dangerous sections of road where verges have overgrown. **FR** asked for any problem areas to be emailed for review.

FR provided a summary of her role and how that relates to Community Development. **LC** advised his role as a community support officer than involves supporting community councils, administering the ward discretionary fund & supporting community groups. **FR** explained that as part of NPF4 policy there is an invitation to develop local place plans. There is a deadline of 27th December for Local Place Plan but that local place plans can be submitted after this date. Local place plans set out aspirations for development areas. Consultation with groups resulted in Housing, meeting places & social aspects. **FR** to forward invitation to online learning plan, example & template local place plans. People, Place & Prosperity. **FR** explained that early on it was noted that bringing people together to listen to their views was more important than the plan itself. The online learning plan will be accessed by Microsoft Teams Tuesday 28th May 2024 6:30 to 8:00 but that it will be recorded & available on YouTube.

7. Annual accounts £ 1318.72

8. Community Council issues. None

9. Planning and Licensing.

10. Mental Health and wellbeing None

11. Correspondence.

12. AOB. RMF noted potholes at Arabella have been repaired.

13. Date of next meeting. 20th June 2024 at Polnicol Hall

14. Beinn Tharsuinn. KALE Development Group application for Electrical PAT testing & new external light was approved.

TA thanked everyone for their attendance and time.

Meeting concluded 21.05

Allan Mcleod Secretary, Kilmuir and Logie Easter Community Council