



BALLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING ON 18 JANUARY 2023

1	Members present: I Williams, P Sharp, R Arkell, M Stuart, A. Murray In Attendance: D Johns BVT Apologies: G Spalding, L Williams, Cllr T Robertson, Cllr M Reid
2	Minutes of Previous Meeting : Proposed: R Arkell, Seconded: M Stuart
3	Matters Arising: Chapelton . The gap cut into the hedge on the corner of Barn Church Road and Cherry Park is to enable the new sewer from the development to connect to the main sewer. The hedge will be reinstated. BVT community event: This will be held at 1000 hrs on 4 Feb 2023, in the Village Hall. This is to inform residents about the work and potential of the Balloch Village Trust (BVT) and to get feedback on what activities and facilities the Trust should work towards. For anything to be achieved there must be more residents willing to volunteer some time with the BVT New Years Eve event: Successful event. Congratulations to the organisers. The Carols Around the Tree was also deemed to be one of the best. Congratulations to BVT and the Church.
4	Chapelton Chapelton: The enabling works are planned to be completed in March and the housing will start at this time. The plan for future use of the field around the Hall and school has still not be released by the Highland Council.
5	Highland Councillors' Report: None
6	Chair's Report. Tree in Community Woodland. There is a large beech tree on the boundary with 69a Culloden Road. A tree surgeon has quoted 2 options for making it safer. It was decided to have the tree pruned rather than removed. Action: IW to approach the resident of 69a to seek a contribution to the cost of the work. Footbridge Closure. Forestry and Land Scotland have closed a footbridge over a drainage burn in the west end of Culloden Woods. This has been publicised on Facebook and the Notice Board.
7	Treasurer's Report. Business Bank Account balance at 9 Dec 22 - £8,914.37 Treasurer's Account balance at 23 Nov 22 - £959.95 Expenses still to be deducted: Hall Hire - £24
8	Secretary's Correspondence. None
9	Any Other Business: M Stuart. An offer to clear the Hedges has been made by a resident. No objection from the BCC but it was suggested that he contact the land owner as a matter of courtesy. Action: M Stuart.
10	Date of Next Meeting: 15 Feb 2023 2023 Meeting Dates: 15 March; 19 April; 17 May (AGM); 21 June; 19 July; 20 Sept; 18 Oct; 15 Nov