



BALLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING ON 15 MARCH 2023

1	Members present: I Williams, P Sharp, L Williams, M Stuart In Attendance: D Johns BVT, Cllr T Robertson, Cllr M Reid Apologies: R Arkell
2	Minutes of Previous Meeting : Proposed: I Williams Seconded: P Sharp
3	Matters Arising: Tree Pruning: completed and paid for by BCC Fence by Community Woodland: this is weak and has been supported by props on the woodland side.
4	Chapelton This is progressing and the archaeological survey has been completed. A query was raised regarding the provision of a bike store for the proposed flats. As flats are not included in the current building phase this will relate to future phases of development. Culloden Academy: A lack of funds may delay construction of the all weather pitch.
5	Highland Councillors' Report: None
6	Chair's Report. Cullernie Farm: retrospective planning permission is to be applied for regarding change of use to a car sales facility. BVT follow up event: this was very successful with 55 people attending. Main priorities seem to be a MUGA and a larger playground. Consideration is being given as to how to take this forward with wider involvement of the community including the Village Hall Committee.
7	Treasurer's Report. Business Bank Account balance at 9 Feb 23 - £8,922.72 Treasurer's Account balance at 23 Nov 22 - £959.95 £2,000 has been transferred from the Business Account to the Treasurer's Account to pay for pruning the tree in BVT woodland. Expenses still to be deducted: Hall Hire - £48 BCC Insurance - £57.34
8	Secretary's Correspondence. Information received and forwarded to committee members includes: Highland Council year end requirements to enable BCC to receive their annual grant funding. Safeguarding Fund – deadline for applications to this is 16 March Inverness Community Council Forum. meeting to be held on 29 March at 18:30. I Williams SEPA Opinion Poll: both I Williams and L Williams have responded. Inverness and Cromarty Firth Freeport Community Webinar to be held on 22 March at 18:00.
9	Any Other Business: Cllr Reid: there have been ongoing discussion / proposals regarding the potential use of Highland Council funds to support the community. This seems to have distilled into a proposal for a small multi-use outdoor sports area with basketball hoops and the possibility of use for football / tennis etc. Ideally on the land next to the Village Hall that is not allocated for school use. I Williams is to investigate the possibility of a transfer of this land and D Johns will look at costs.
10	Date of Next Meeting: 19 April 2023 2023 Meeting Dates: 19 April; 17 May (AGM); 21 June; 19 July; 20 Sept; 18 Oct; 15 Nov