



## BALLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF MEETING ON 19 APRIL 2023

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| 1  | <b>Members present:</b> I Williams, P Sharp, L Williams, M Stuart, R Arkell<br><b>In Attendance:</b> D Johns BVT, Cllr T Robertson, Cllr M Reid, Mr and Mrs S Fletcher<br><b>Apologies:</b> None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2  | <b>Minutes of Previous Meeting :</b><br><b>Proposed:</b> M Stuart <b>Seconded:</b> I Williams                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 3  | <b>Matters Arising:</b><br>Inverness CC Forum: no one was able to attend this<br>Transfer of land by Village Hall t BVT: this is progressing with Highland Council                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 4  | <b>Chapelton</b><br><b>Meeting of Community Liaison Group on 11 April.</b> May 4: enabling works completion date.<br>There is a knotweed problem which needs to be sprayed which is the owner's responsibility.<br>Landscaping and Biodiversity are to be addressed at the next meeting.<br><b>M Reid to provide further information on Community Benefit funding for projects.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 5  | <b>Highland Councillors' Report:</b><br>None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 6  | <b>Chair's Report.</b><br>Culloden Partnership Forum is being revived.<br>There may be some potential projects for the Community Woodland.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 7  | <b>Treasurer's Report.</b><br>Business Bank Account balance at 14 March 23 - £6,926.92<br>Treasurer's Account balance at 2 March 23 - £911.95<br>£2,000 has been transferred from the Business Account to the Treasurer's Account to pay for pruning the tree in BVT woodland.<br>Expenses still to be deducted:<br>BCC Insurance - £57.34<br>Tree Doctors - £1,080.00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 8  | <b>Secretary's Correspondence.</b><br>Information received and forwarded to committee members includes:<br><b>On-line Planning training</b> provided by the Highland Council is available for committee members.<br><b>ALISS</b> there will be a series of workshops promoting health and wellbeing<br><b>Gaelic Medium</b> Catchment area for schools consultation<br><b>Young People's</b> survey on accidental injury is coming to a close<br><b>Rachel Eddie from the Climate Hub</b> has asked to come to a BCC meeting to tell us about the work. <b>LW to arrange a date.</b> This has been done and she will come to the June meeting.<br><b>Communities B4 Power Companies</b> has sent information regarding the proposals by SSEN for a network of power lines for future distribution of power both in Scotland and across the border to England. There will be a series of SSEN consultation events – in Inverness 26 April in the Kingsmills Hotel. |
| 9  | <b>Any Other Business:</b><br>The "20 minute neighbourhoods" consultation will end in May. This was considered to be impractical for much of the Highlands as there are few large conurbations.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 10 | <b>Date of Next Meeting:</b> 17 May (AGM)<br><b>2023 Meeting Dates:</b><br>21 June; 19 July; 20 Sept; 18 Oct; 15 Nov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |