



## BALLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF MEETING ON 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024

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| 1  | <p><b>Members present:</b> Charles Stephen, Rachel Arkell Moira Stuart, Louise Bain, Pip Sharp, Sine Mackay</p> <p><b>In Attendance:</b> Ron Gray, Cllr Trish Robertson,</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Gillian Spalding, Ian Williams, Louise Bain, Daniel Johns, Cllr Morven Reid</p> <p><b>Minutes of Previous Meeting :</b> <b>Proposed:</b> Moira Stuart <b>Seconded:</b> Rachel Arkell</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2  | <p><b>Matters Arising:</b></p> <p><b>Flooding</b> – Trish attending Liaison Group Meeting next week and will ask about any progress as to why the school/Cherry Park/new Chapelton Road are flooding. Discussion around size of drains and work in field adjacent to school during Easter Holidays. Cllr Reid to report her discussions with engineers at next meeting.</p> <p><b>Culloden Academy all weather pitch</b> - Trish asked Robert Campbell about progress and he had stated that the tenders were in. Cllr Reid, in her apologies email, stated that ‘the contract is ready and has either just been signed or about to be signed for the Culloden Academy all weather pitch’.</p> <p><b>Developer’s Contributions</b> – Ron Gray stated that he has sent an email to HC asking for a breakdown of where contributions have come from, how much and where they have been spent. Advised to send as a FOI request.</p> <p><b>Park</b> – email received confirming that HC have adopted our park and will therefore insure and maintain it.</p> |
| 3  | <p><b>Place Plans</b> – BCC have looked at the guidance and looked at examples of completed Place Plans. Stratherick and Foyers have produced a very comprehensive and detailed plan. Consultation with the community began in 2021 and the plan was submitted in 2023. Discussion around how BCC would go about this process with the capacity of our group. It was felt that BVT have collected much of this information when they consulted the community on amenities for the village as part of the Chapelton Development. RA will contact BVT to see if we can have a breakdown of what was requested. Possible opportunity at the school fete and church to ask the community what they would like in the village.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4  | <p><b>Highland Councillors’ Report:</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Robertson</b> – waste collection services are changing. No date confirmed but household will be sent letters detailing the changes and dates.</p> <p><b>European Charter of Local Self Governance</b> – COSLA bringing back which would give councils the power to make their own decisions on local issues without it being referred to the Scottish Government.</p> <p><b>Roads</b> – thanks given for the road repairs at the junction with Barn Church Road.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 7  | <p><b>Chair’s Report:</b> IW reported by email that Forestry Scotland seem happy with plans for the felling of the community woodland. FLS want to see correspondence regarding extraction and restocking. FLS have requested the IW writes to the road department and Access Officer about timber extraction and limiting access while felling is happening.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 8  | <p><b>Treasurer’s Report.</b></p> <p>Business Bank Account balance as of 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024 £7000.84</p> <p>Treasurer’s Account balance as of 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024 £1755.72</p> <p>Uncleared cheques for Hall Hire £24 Plans for tree felling - £19.80</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 9  | <p><b>Secretary’s Correspondence</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 10 | <p><b>Any Other Business:</b></p> <p>MS – could BCC replace the noticeboard – Perspex glass is blown and hard to see. Discussion around bigger board and other locations.</p> <p>RA – play park was vandalised during 2<sup>nd</sup> week of holidays. Offensive words have been cleaned off by residents. Reported to Amenities.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|    | <p><b>Date of Next Meeting:</b> 22<sup>nd</sup> May</p> <p><b>2024 Meeting Dates:</b> 19<sup>th</sup> June, 17<sup>th</sup> July, 18<sup>th</sup> Sept, 16<sup>th</sup> Oct, 20<sup>th</sup> Nov</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

