# West loch Fyne Community Council

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**Minutes of Meeting held at Lochgair on November 28 2016**

**Committee Members Present:** Fred Bruce (F.B),Jason Copestick (J.C)

, Leonard McNeill (L.McN), Steve Thompson(S.T),Kay Owen (K.O), D.McTaggart(D.McT)

**Present:**  D. Philand (A+B council), Martin Balkeen (Police Scotland), B. Barker, I. Smith, S. Calderwood, C. McNeill, K. Cogan. (If you were present at this meeting and your name does not appear here please contact the Secretary

Apologies: None

The Convenor: Fred Bruce.

Meeting started at 7.10pm

**Community Council Meeting.**

1.Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. One issue was raised. Attendee should read J. McCarton not J.McCartney

Proposed S.T, 2nd L.McN

**2. Agenda**

Two items were on the agenda.

**1.Police Report.**

Martin Balkeen from Police Scotland was attending and was able to give a report on local issues.

No crime of any note has been reported. Road traffic is still an issue and people have been caught speeding.

S.T and F.B were both concerned that “Rural Watch” seems to have stalled. No signs have been received and information about local crime and police incidents is not being received. M.B assured that he would look into this further and also into the possibility of a monthly report being produced and circulated.

**2. Wind Farms**

No current news.

**Treasurers report**

K.O. Around £2500 currently in account. No expenses have been recorded or are expected.

**A.O.B**

**F.B**

​Crarae to Minard path. Meeting with roads dept has been held. Path will have to wait for other larger jobs to be completed, then “maybe”, if funds allow. Also at meeting a discussion about flooding at “Barr” was held. F.B was told this could be a large and difficult job.

Windfarms/ Community fund. Leaflets for next round have been withheld for a slight change. Less paperwork to be involved and easier process. Posters will be put out as is usual.

Micro grants. On hold. £250 not enough so £500 is to be new award able sum. A meeting is to be held in the near future and which it will be decided how to then proceed. L.McN added that he felt a more proactive approach would help. F.B said he would approach the people who could help.

Health Forum. Very positive. Meeting on 29 November. Members of both Lochgair and Minard attend. A suggestion box in Minard shop for ideas is being trailed.

M.A.P meetings. Have improved. It appears that the community councils like the format, the council less so. There was no council attending at last meeting.

Ardcastle Pier. Near completed.

Telephone box in Lochgair. Paperwork has arrived for W.L.F.C.C to adopt. The C.C will then transfer to Lochgair Association for nominal sum. Lochgair association to have consultation first then report back to C.C.

**L.McN**

Broadband. Leaflets have been distributed to households in Minard informing that fibre optic is now available.

Tullochgorm War Memorial. A meeting has been held. A very positive result. Problems with reports and previous correspondence have been addressed. D. Philand agreed that he would chase and try to get from the council. L.McN thanked D. Philand for his help thus far.

**S.T**

Water Treatment area. Still nothing has been done to screen the area. F.B will speak to Scottish Water when current Lochgair job is completed.

**D.McTaggart**

Mobile Coverage. A meeting has been held with E.E. 4G mobile coverage has been promised.

**J.C**

Road safety. J.C has received various concerns about driver behavior between Furnace speed limit and Crarae.

**K.O**

Water works in Lochgair. K.O has received various complaints about mess and debris from works. F.B has spoken to those involved and will continue to do so until works are complete.

Defib training. A.Craven is willing to offer training

Bridge in Lochgair. Has been given funding to repair, hopefully for Easter. L.McN asked if Lochgair Association minutes could be circulated to himself for Minard.

**From Floor**

**D. Philand.**

Lochgair Flooding. Council are to look at again. No further news.

“Home care” staffing problems. All are encouraged to report any problems and concerns using the health forum and its local representatives.

Council Budget. An online survey is being held. All are encouraged to participate, if at all possible.

**B. Barker**

Minard Community Trust. Are currently in the process of resubmitting an application for a grant from The Climate Challenge Fund to improve Minard Village Hall and appoint a person to advise local households on energy use and saving. The Community council support this as it has no conflict with any interest held by those present.

Foundation Scotland. Very positive about their role in advising and helping with bids for the community fund.

**Next Meeting.**

Tuesday 7 Feb 2017 at Minard Village Hall

J.C to book

Meeting Closed at 8.45 pm