# West loch Fyne Community Council

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**Minutes of Meeting held at Minard on August 6 2018**

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

, Steve Thompson(S.T), D.McTaggart(D.McT), Jan Williams( J.W)

**Present:**  Martin Balkeen (Police Scotland), S. Taylor (A+B council), Marion Lacey( Lochgair Assoc), Margaret Moncur( Minard Community Trust). (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 7.05pm

**Annual General Meeting**

Convenor's Report (F.B)

Elections

Held in May 2018. L.McNeill resigned his position. All other existing members re-elected. All holding previous posts.

F.B thanked L.McNeill for all his hard work and announced that he would take the place of S. Calderwood on the board of the A'Chruach fund board.

Health Forum

F.B is very disappointed with the recent meetings. A new chairperson has been elected and a meeting is to held on week beginning 13 August. It is hoped that the situation will improve.

2 meetings have been held with the doctors in Lochgilphead. These F.B thought were much more positive and addressed the recent problems and complaints from West LochFyne residents. Any changes are to be put on website as a consultation. It is hoped that meeting will be held every 6 months.

Transport Scotland

2 meetings have been held. Those involved reported a good experience and rapport.

A box junction is to be created at Minard village hall to allow better car park access. This should be complete by the end of August 2018

Footpath to Crarae is still ongoing. Discussions over land ownership with Cumlodden Estates are proving difficult. A grant application has been received for A'Chruach monies.

Forestry Commission/ Trafalgar Walk

Forestry Commission are proving very difficult to contact. This is causing much frustration as nothing appears to be going forward.

War Memorial @ Tullochgorm.

Still ongoing.

2. Treasurers Report from Jan Williams

Micro grants money for 2018 has now been received, as has money from council.

Membership to Argyll and Isles is no longer being paid.

Current balance is £4,984. Includes 2500( Micro grants)

3. Vacancies

2 vacancies still exist. Co-option can now be for 2 years.

A.G.M closed at 7.35 P.M

**Community Council Meeting.**

1.Minutes of Previous Meeting:

This being last meeting of previous council in March

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

Proposed S.T, 2nd D.McT

**2. Agenda**

Two items were on the agenda.

**1.Police Report. M. Balkeen**

Crime has been very low and very minor.

Theft of boat contents from Minard is still ongoing investigation.

Still concerns about speeding from Furnace to Minard and in Minard and Lochgair.

F.B has spoken to Transport Scotland about a radar speed sign. They advised that Police liaison would be best to consult

**2. Wind Farms**

A proposal has been received for a wind farm in Kilmicheal Glen. A meeting was held with representatives of W.L.F.C.C in June 2018. Currently scoping in being carried out. The proposed number of turbines is such that Scottish Government would make any decision.

A'Chruach fund are going to attend Mid- Argyll show. Representative from the 3 communities currently involved are to attend in order to promote and advertise the fund and its availability.

**Treasurers report**

As noted in A.G.M

**Chairman Report**

**Map**

No longer exists

**Minard Shop**

Now closed. After initial problems Post Office is now on Friday Afternoon at Minard Village Hall (2-4)

**Recycling**

Problems still being reported with uplift in Minard. At time of meeting no uplift had been done for at least 3 weeks, resulting in bottles being left around full bins. F.B to speak to council about responsibility. S.Taylor also promised to mention at next council meetings.

**A.O.B**

**J.C**

Has had various complaints from a number of Minard residents about recent ambulance cover. Stories of ambulances from Oban taking 2 hrs for emergency calls and people being advised to drive to hospital instead of waiting.

S.Taylor promised to raise at the earliest opportunity.

**F.B**

Can J.C/ J.W speak to V. Winters about refresh to W.L.F.C.C website. Both agreed to arrange a meeting in the near future.

**From Floor**

**M. Lacey**

Asked if Lochgair “Long Memories” project can be linked to W.L.F.C.C website. J.C agreed to raise when he spoke to V. Winters.

Meeting Closed 8.20 P.M

Next Meeting 5 November 2018 Lochgair. F.B to arrange.

**Micro grants August 2018**

5 applications have been received

1. **Argyll Fyne Art Group**

£510 requested (£500). All agreed (5-0) that cost of tutor (£420) would be paid not cost of hall hire

2. **Lochgair Association**

£500 requested for display panels. All agreed (5-0) that although the full amount could not be justified £400 would be paid.

3. **Minard Community Trust**

£110 requested for post and sign on Minard foreshore. All agreed (5-0) that the full £110 was entirely justified and would be paid.

4. **Minard Community Trust**

£500 requested for equipment and garden materials. All agreed (5-0) that this was not enough for the project that it was requested for and thus request was declined. Advice was given to apply for a larger grant.

5. **Minard Community Trust**

£500 requested to improve the viability of the old Minard shop as a community space. All agreed (5-0) that this was justified and the request was agreed.

**Meeting closed at 8.50 P.M**