

## MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025 : 7pm, Kincaig Community Hall, Wainford Room

Chair: Gary Culpan

Secretary: Geraldine McNab

Vice Chair: John Forbes-Leith

Treasurer: Susan Libeks

In attendance: John Forbes-Leith(JFL); Susan Libeks(SL); Alan Cairns(AC); David Kinnear(DK); Russel Jones(RJ); Ian Ash(IA); Jonny Freshwater (JF) John Barton

### 1 Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

Apologies: Gary Culpan; Geraldine McNab; Jonny Willett; Kenny Deans;

Declaration – JF-L re Dunachton Planning

### 2 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Approved and Proposed: AC; Seconded D K

### 3 Matters Arising

SL requested more detail in minutes to ensure people who don't attend can fully understand what was discussed.

### 4 Planning & Roads

#### 4.1 New applications:

- 25/00401/FUL Construction of 240m Access track & upgrade of 240m track Killiehuntly, Glenfeshie

Concerns from John Barton resident of Drumguish re this access road being of no real purpose.

CC would normally take a neutral stance but we will note Johns Comments with Highland Council planning. Cycle track needs to be linked and maintained. Encourage Drumguish residents to make their own objections through the on line portal.

- 25/00924/PNO Peatland Restoration Kinrara Estate- Neutral
- 25/00932/PNO Peatland Restoration – Dunachton Estate – Neutral

Peatland restoration is helping the environment.

#### 4.2 Short term let applications: none

### 5 Reports

#### 5.1 Treasurers Report

Auction Night raised circa £1400. Some invoices still to pay.

We received a small grant to get new goalposts for the village green and these have been ordered.

Annual insurance has been paid and accounts being sorted for year end which will be presented at the AGM May 2025

Current account £508.70

Savings Account £13415.70 of which Restricted Funds for specific projects £8250

#### Auction night report

Very enjoyable evening by everyone who attended, attendance down on previous year poss because of date clashing with other events and mothers day. Its an essential event for village funds each year.

Auction lot from Kingussie offered for next fund raiser (RJ)

Proposed date 7<sup>th</sup> March 2026 SL to book hall

All thanked Susan for the work put in to bring the event together. SL Thanked everyone who helped on the day with the set up and auction.

Discussion followed on a village event like the Corriearick used to raise a lot of money or Fun Run

Raise Money: 50:50 ticket sales suggested by RJ

Card Machine would make everything easier in conjunction with the village hall to be considered.

#### 5.2 Repairs update (IA)

Potholes need reporting. Everything else up to date.

Vandalism at the treatment plant – spray painted noted.

5.3 Police community liaison report - NONE

## **6 Kincaig Projects & Events**

- 6.1 Bus Shelter - imminent
- 6.2 Welcome signage for village -wait until after this year's fund raising. SL to action costs.
- 6.3 Football goals – purchased 3 awaiting delivery
- 6.4 Community Newsletter – awaiting contact to take forward from J Fresh- chat with Lenka at the school, will need support from Strathy.
- 6.5 Auction & Ceilidh Night Feedback as in Treasurers report.
- 6.6 Community Spring Clean Wed April 23rd 6.30pm – meet at the hall. To be called 'The John Anderson Litter Pick'
  - Yellow vests – IA liaise with Peter.
  - Litter picking kit – IA will liaise
  - Heavy Duty Black Bags – buy SL
  - Rubber Gloves – buy SL
  - Trailer – from Alvie tbc. JW
  - Approach Bear Scotland to clear verges by A9 -JFL
  - Tea / Coffee at the hall afterwards – donation from CC towards costs. IA
- 6.7 Road Speed from church to loch Insh – community consultation required which will be at the AGM; Gary to be asked to copy signs to go onto noticeboards

## **7 Correspondence**

- 7.1 Community Councils newsletter
- 7.2 Lisa Duffus Fly Tipping – litter pick 23/4; Contact council re bushes; Location required for council. What 3 words:Never. Dashes. Cement
- 7.3 Community briefing 21/3
- 7.4 BASAP
- 7.5 Local Development Plan

## **8 Any Other Business**

Tree Planting – request to plant more roadside by A9 to buffer the noise in the village RJ to ask.  
Possibility for a hedgerow. £40/metre. Research for possible grant. JFL to have a look at what's possible.

Planning applications timings – following from short notice for some applications the formal advice is to circulate and advise HC re any comments required and they will then make us formal consultee and await our response in line with CC meetings.  
– RJ

Short term let applications huge log jam – trying to speed up the process to clear these.RJ

RJ met with a lady from Drumguish who is keen to be involved with CC no name available to give us contact.  
Note to everyone through the minutes that everyone resident in the area is welcoe to attend meetings.

**AGM & next monthly meeting Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025 7pm**