

# BALLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of Meeting 7 November 2005 at Balloch Primary School- AGM

### Present

Margaret Macmillan (Vice Chair)  
Laura MacGowan (Secretary)  
Ian Thomson (Treasurer)  
George Riddell, Alex Bennett  
Liz Green

### Apologies

Ian Williams (Chair), Mike Crew, Ann Crew, Janice Walker, Susan Van der Vlies.

### In attendance

Cllr B Wynd. PC N Kinnaird, 1 Member of the public.

- 1           **Minutes of last meeting**  
Accurate. Proposed George, Seconded Ian.
  
- 2           **Matters arising**
  - (a) Presentation re A96 development and plans for Tornagrain still to be organised. ongoing
  - (b) Continued development of site at upper Feabuie despite Tree preservation order and letters of enforcement orders has lead to further complaints from people in the community. The council have written to concerned applicants and will refer to legal services if there is still a refusal to comply.-ongoing.
  - (c) Maintenance of woodland paths ongoing.
  - (d) Repair to bus shelter ongoing.
  
- 3           **Chairperson's Report-( Margaret)**
  - (a) Review of office bearers- no new nominees -no changes made. Co opted member Liz Green to take on amenities and environment.
  - (b) Dates for community council meetings set until June 2006. See separate note.
  - (c) Democracy and community planning meeting attended by Ian W.
  
- 4           **Treasurers Report**

Grant money awarded for amenities group all accounted and kept separate.  
Approx £4300.in deposit acct and £500,00 in current account.  
Tax interest to be refunded soon.
  
- 5           **Secretary's Report**
  - (a) Petition regarding planning Scotland Bill highlighted and people encouraged to sign.
  - (b) Document paper from Scottish executive received on how to help CC fulfil their role.
  
- 6           **Police Report**

Playing of football on green space at corner of Barn Church Road and Moray Park avenue causing some concern. Cllr Wynd and Cllr J Ford helping to deal with the situation.

- 7            **Councillors Report**
- (a) With regard to meeting attended on planning issues etc it was highlighted that there needs to be better communication between Highland council and CC's. There was also some discussion on CC's having some sort of training on planning policies, guidelines.
  - (b) Affordable housing in Inverness is to be a 25% part of the policy for all new development and shown as part of developers plans.
  - (c) A96 development and road improvement (dual carriageway) to be presented to the Scottish executive in January 2006

- 8            **Planning**
- (a) 7 Wyvis Drive- appeal for planning to be 29 September- application granted.
  - (b) Planning extension to 53 Culloden Road caused some concern among Community councillors due to loss of green space.
  - (c) Continued development at upper Feabuie reported to the planning department (by Margaret) and further action to be taken. H. Council will replace trees and invoice cost to landowner.
  - (d) Application for dwelling place at View hill /Feabuie and tidy up of farm buildings.

**BAWG update.**

About 80 people attended the public meeting and there was a range of questions on bus services Balloch -Raigmore, and concern of pedestrian safety due to speed of traffic and maintenance of walk way along the old road to Culloden.

Bus service being looked into by Cllr Wynd.

Speed of traffic discussed at length. The lollipop lady feels able to identify continuing offenders and was advised to try and keep record of number plates to pass on to police who can the follow up with a caution.

- 9            **AOCB**
- (a) **Newsletter**- for distribution at end of November. All articles to be in asap.            **Susan.**  
Photocopying costs to be met by Norbord. (apologies for delay as Susan has not been well.)

**Next meeting 12 December 2005 7pm Balloch school.**

