



Minutes of a meeting held Thursday 1st December 2016 in Lieurary Hall.

1. Present

George Carson (Convener), Jillian Bundy (Secretary), Bill Brown, George MacDougall, Ian Grant, Councillor David Bremner

2. Apologies

No apologies.

3. Convenor's Remarks

George welcomed everyone and was pleased to confirm that the meeting was quorate.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th August were approved by Ian Grant and seconded by George Carson.

5. Police Matters

There was no police report, however Jillian advised that Stephen Mezalls was now the allocated officer for Caithness West.

6. Correspondence

- Various communications from Highland Council were read and noted.
- The Secretary had received a request from Gail Ross, MSP, to meet members to discuss renewable developments.
- Information on the Dounreay Tri Wind Demonstration Project had also been received.

7. Planning Officer's Report

A planning application to remove flagstone from the Achscrabster Quarry was noted, as well as an application to convert part of the BT buildings at Thurso Business Park to conference rooms.

8. Licensing Issues

An application for change of hours at The Ferry Inn was noted.

9. Treasurer's Report

Balance is currently £4563.42

10. Renewables Developments

- Based on feedback from residents, it was agreed that CWCC would submit an objection to the Cairnmore Development. George Carson had also raised awareness of development with Thurso Community Council.
- It was noted that the Limekiln Application would be heard at the Highland Council's January Planning Committee. Another Open Day had been arranged in Reay Hall by the RAWOG committee.

11. Dounreay Stakeholder Group

No report.

12. Village Officer

Ian's previous invoices had gone missing. New invoices had now been raised and submitted to Jean Lipa.

13. Association of Caithness Community Councils

It was noted that the next public meeting would be held on Tuesday 6th December.

14. A.O.B.

- George Carson confirmed that arrangements had now been made to set up a Company Limited by Guarantee from which to channel windfarm benefits from the Clatequoy turbine and any other developments should they be approved in future. George Carson and George MacDougall had agreed to be Directors of the company and a further two directors would be identified and confirmed in due course.
- Further to the damage previously noted to the harbour wall at Sandside, George MacDougall confirmed that repairs had since been carried out.
- Councillor Bremner provided an update on the maternity issues at Caithness General Hospital. Members expressed their shock and disappointment at the current situation.
- Councillor Bremner also advised that council gritting teams were struggling to keep up with schedules due to long term sickness and consequently priority would be given to primary routes.

15. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 12th January. Secretary's note; this was subsequently postponed and the next meeting agreed for Thursday 9th February 2017.

Jillian Bundy
Secretary

January 2017

Summary of Current & Outstanding Actions

Reference	Action	Responsible
	There were no outstanding actions	