## **Ballachulish Community Council**

Meeting held in the Shinty Pavilion 6th December 2016

Present: Kath Small, Dave Kitson, Kevin Smith, Rob Malpas, Sandy Stoddart, Shirley Grant Jimmy Waugh, Alisdair Jack. Isobel Robertson

Apologies: Carl Stubbs (Police), Andrew Baxter

Minutes were proposed by Jimmy and seconded by Shirley

- 1) Police : N/A
- 2) Finances submitted by Ali. We need to seek alternate bank that will pay a better rate of interest
- 3) NSA: Looking at other avenues for funding
- 4) CAP. We need to look into projects the community would like to start with. (Notice to be put in newsletter)
- 5) Burns Night Supper : Preparation's underway
- 6) Boatsheds: Currently working on Viability grant application. Awaiting response & clarification
- 7) War Memorial : Meeting with Forestry to discuss options for clearing area around monument General consensus is for better access to current location. Another poll of village to be done.
- 8) Xmas Lights: Need switching on. Look at sourcing an electrical feed for trees around TIC.
- 9) Community Company: New Board Elected. Newsletter out. Looking into share option for scheme.
- 10) Fireworks: Insurance implications to be investigated. This will have an impact in financial viability. Public entertainment License to be investigated.
- 11) Taking ownership of quarry to be investigated. (Andrew Baxter to speak to Highland Council)
- 12) Fort William New build (hospital) General consensus is that las meeting was shambles. Basically project back to square one.
- 13) Quarry Upgrade: Claire Bell waiting for final proof for display boards. Donation box to be sourced.
- 14) Chiscot meeting: Decision depends on community as a whole.
- 15) Defibrillators: £300 donation agreed.
- 16) Village resilience plan: Meeting 7/12 to set up committee.
- Discretionary budget: £1200 applied for village enhancement. Speak to Spit about sculpture design.
- 18) Village newsletter: Next issue out end Jan. Deadline for all articles is 14<sup>th</sup> Jan.

## AOCB

- Rio Tinto sale discussed.
- 3rd Sector meeting. A brief on Community Empowerment Act was given to attendees.

Next Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2017