

Minute of the Meeting of North Lochs Community Council
Wednesday 31st January 2023 at 7.30pm
North Lochs Community Centre, Leurbost

Present: Robbie Mackenzie (Chair), Angus Morrison (Councillor), Donna Fairbairn (Secretary), Iain Macaskill (Treasurer), Sarah Macdonald (Vice-Chair), Bruce Mackenzie, Isla Macarthur, Peter Mackenzie, Anne Macleod

In attendance: Iain Macleod, Gareth Davies, Claire Carolan, Colin Maciver (Tech Services, CnES)

Apologies: Annabel Maclean, Eilidh Macinnes

1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed committee members to the meeting along with Colin Maciver, Tech Services, CnES (attending the meeting by request) and representatives from Grimshader who had requested the addition of Item 2 on the agenda.

2. Grimshader Gritting

Colin Maciver gave an overview of priority areas and process. Grimshader representatives expressed their concerns in relation to gritting of the village road and its current P3 route status in the gritting policy as opposed to a P2.

Colin will come back to group with 1) more information on thermal mapping exercise and priority setting criteria 2) cost analysis of Rosgeil to Ranish route against alternative Grimshader route.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th December were approved by Bruce and the motion was seconded by Sarah.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Councillors' Report

Development worker post advert will be closing shortly.

Crown Estate funding allocation announcement is expected in the spring.

First CnES budget meeting following Scottish Government budget announcement is upcoming.

Ward fund allocation has been made for the year subject to budget setting.

6. Treasurer's Report

£5068.59.

7. NLCA Business

Over 70s sit-in dinner will take place on 23rd March. Deliveries available for house bound.

Meeting has taken place with Kenny Macleod, CnES with number of actions arising.

Questionnaires on hall use to be resubmitted to households – awaiting feedback on form.

8. Any Other Business

Defibrillator training for Langabhat medical staff will be taking place. Maintenance in progress for Leurbost and Achmore boxes, plans in progress to upgrade Grimshader model from G3 to G5.

Local place maps – groups to give consideration to local projects.

News the local post office at Lochs Services is closing on 8th June was met with disappointment.

Noted the next bus route consultation takes place in 2 years. Robbie to check route options with Roddy following feedback on the Grimshader route.

9. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Wednesday 13th March at 7.30pm.