

Minutes of Fort Augustus and Glenmoriston Community Company
Business Meeting
Held on Tuesday 24th October 2016
In the Meeting Room, Fort Augustus Village Hall

Board Directors Present: Chair - Harry Whiteside (HW), Phil Di-Duca (PD), David Campbell (DC), Iain Farmer (IF) & Reay MacKay (RM),
 Apologies: Kathryn Sharples (KS), Christina Mudditt (CM) Johnny MacDonald (JM) & Ramazan Islerdemir(RI)

Minute taker: Sharon Ferguson (Admin)

Item	Minute	Action
1	Welcome The chair opened the meeting welcoming directors and thanking them for attending. Apologies from Kathryn Sharples (KS), Christina Mudditt (CM) Johnny MacDonald (JM) & Ramazan Islerdemir(RI)	
2	Previous Minutes Minutes from 27th September 2016 were approved by HW & seconded by PD.	
3	Matters Arising Broadband – Analysis of survey to follow once document received from Community Broadband Scotland. Lucky2bhere – dates decided for training. West Glenmoriston Com Company – No proposal form received yet. Visit Inverness Loch Ness – HW has looked into their constitution & as there is a levy membership along with business objectives, all agreed they could not apply. Admin to write letter to notify.	Admin
4	AGM Currently 3 vacancies. A few people have contacted HW but no applications received yet. Admin to borrow projector. Glen will be doing a presentation on the work of the Community caretakers. HW to ask Architect to speak. PD to comperere.	Admin HW
5	Village Hall Still no bills received from new electricity supplier, admin has raised a complaint. PD suggested getting a banner made for outside to advertise that the building is available to hire for a range of activities – Admin to get prices. Notice has been given to key holder & key safes have been purchased. An energy survey has recently been conducted & it suggest changing to an air to air heating system could save money & be more effective – more info & quotes required. Admin suggested a hall committee to help run the hall & put on events that might raise some funds – PD suggested bringing up this idea at the AGM.	Admin
6	Medical Centre Planning has now been received & review to be done as the Architect would like to contest some issues raised. Still no completion on the land & in the hands of Solicitors. Working drawings being progressed.	

7	<p>Over £10k application</p> <p>The proposal application from Kilchuimen Academy for over £10k has been accepted by SSE. They suggested that the School consider a 2nd minibus but HW pointed out that it is the grant application rules that a grant cannot be used to purchase a 2nd hand vehicle. To be looked into where this rule came from. Current minibus has now been taken off the road due to safety concerns. If full application comes in, board will have to decide how this will be funded if a lump sum & required before Mar 17.</p>	
8	<p>Beinneun Windfarm</p> <p>HW has requested a meeting with Neil Reed, liaison officer for Blue Energy & the Community Council to discuss Community Benefit. HW suggested that she writes to the CC to request that we do all negotiating together from now on as some other areas do.</p>	
9	<p>Community Challenge Update</p> <p>Glen has just had a week off but has now drawn up work plans for the winter & has some bigger projects. Gordon will now be kept on over the winter. Glen to go into the School to do talks on bird boxes etc. Machines are all booked in for services; grit has been ordered & new bins to be filled. Tractor will go back to HC on 4th Nov. It has now been agreed that the Community Caretakers will cut the communal grass & do the gritting at the Old School, Bunoich Brae. This will save tenants on service charges.</p>	
10	<p>AOCB</p> <p>Membership application ~ Steven Smith. All agreed. HW & JM went into Santander to open another account.</p> <p>Date of next meetings ~ AGM 22nd Nov 2016</p>	