Draft Minutes.

Dores & Essich Community Council.

Minutes of the meeting.

Held Monday 1st June 2015

Dores Parish Hall at 1930hrs

1. Members present: Ella Macrae (Chair), John Hedger (Treasurer), Lorien Cameron-Ross (Secretary), Duncan Manson, Hayley Ross (Minutes Secretary) also present 4 members of the public, Malcolm Sutherland (Etape), Joe Gibbs, Sam Barker, Dougie Brown, Caroline Campbell (Groove) and Mike Elsie (Highland Council Licensing).

Apologies: Steve Feltham

- 2. Minutes of the last meeting: Accepted as a true record. Proposed: JH Seconded: DM
- 3. Matters arising from the last meeting:
 - **3.1 Etape- Malcolm Sutherland:** Following event this year held on the 26th April Malcolm Sutherland is in attendance to offer feedback. The event was overall a great success and a great deal of money was raised for charity. Etape would like to offer £500 to the community council for a community project of choice. The same weekend next year is being proposed for the event which would be 24th April 2015. With regards to next year due to safety concerns it is proposed that the road between Dores and the Holm roundabout would have full closure for the event. Organists will aim to keep the length of closure to a minimum and will work with affected businesses closely to minimise disruption. Organisers are welcome to ideas for achieving this.
 - **3.2** Buoys have been positioned and mounted on the beach.
 - **3.3** Awaiting feedback from Counciller Davidson ref: freeview problems.
 - **3.4 Freeview:** DM has sent letter to freeview regarding problems residents are experiencing with freeview. No solution so far.

Action:DM to contact residents to gather information on the problems. To be discussed with Cllr Davidson.

- **3.5** Cllr Davidson still to provide update on double sided sign at the church.
- **3.6** Overhanging branches at the church have been pruned.
- **3.7** Donation of £100 has been made to Foyers Medical Centre.
- **3.8 Loch Ness View:** Following objection to planning application at Loch Ness View. GF has written to planning and a 3rd application has been made. **Action: GF to contact planning.**
- **3.9.** Following complaints of the school bus being late. Charles Stevens was contacted. A new timetable was implemented on the 5th May 2015. No further problems reported.
- **3.10 Scottish water update:** There are plans for a pumping station on the south side of the loch. Site still to be confirmed. Scottish water will be in contact with us in due course. The community council request ideas for community projects/benefits.
- **4. Police report:** Given by LCR. Asks residents to be vigilant following fire close to Dores.

5. Local Events:

- **5.1 Trucknessie-** Saturday 20th June 2015
- **2.2 Groove-** Saturday 22nd August 2015

Joe Gibb, Dougie Brown, Sam Barker, Caroline Campbell.

Update: Due to an increase in day ticket sales there will be a reduction in the camping

capacity. The proposed finishing time for the event is 2am. In response to queries regarding security organisers are looking in to an exclusion zone for the beach and there will be security presence from Friday night through till Sunday as well as security on the site throughout the week. Organisers would also like to reiterate that it is an enclosed event, its much smaller than Rockness and marginally further back from the village. Not anticipating huge volumes of traffic due to the size of the event and buses are in place.

Any queries regarding the events finishing time should be made before the 19th June 2015. The community council have been given 200 tickets for the event. They will initially be offered to the village residents for a sum of £10. There will be be letters going to village residents in due course and tickets will need to be applied for.

- **5.3 Loch Ness Bike Ride** Saturday 15th August 2015
- **5.4 The Beast-** Saturday 5th September 2015
- **5.5 Etape-** 24th April 2016 (not yet confirmed date) please see 4.1 for update.

6. Correspondance:

- **6.1** Police report
- **6.2** Knocknageal to Tomatin 275kv Overhead Transmission Line: Scoping Opinion Request.
- **6.3** Draft Flood Risk Management Strategy: Contact details provided.
- **6.4** Email looking for land to rent: awaiting further details.
- **6.5 Fish Farm:** Marine Harvest have taken over the fish farm. Full contact details provided. Some changes to pens made. Possible opportunity to visit facility coming up.

Action: To request further details on the changes made to the site and to request visit for the school children.

- **6.6 Highland Archeology Services:** Details of services provided.
- **6.7 Small Housing Trust:** Meeting on the 5th June to discuss development.
- **6.8 Hall committee:** Notice of AGM at 1930hrs on the 29th June 2015.
- 7. **Treasurers Report:** JH gives Treasurers report. Year end accounts provided, still to be audited. Payment to be arranged for previous years secretary's.

8. Planning & Development:

- **8.1** Dores War Memorial Restoration no update this meeting
- **8.2** Scottish Water Pump Station see 3.10
- **9. Water, Sewerage & Roads:** Some improvements ref: flooding in the village reported. Questions raised over whether current sewerage is able to cope with proposed planning.

10. AOCB:

10.1 Joshua's Journey: There is fund raising currently taking place in aid of Joshua's Journey. A wee boy from the village is currently undergoing treatment for leukemia. There will be tickets on sale in The Dores Inn, Aldourie Primary School, the Post Office and in around the community. There will be a draw on the 3rd July 2015 in The Dores Inn at 9pm. There will also be a strawberry stall at the school sports day.

10.2 Janice Macbeths Retirement Party: EM advised that this is happening on the football pitch in a marquee 4th July 2015. Anyone wishing to attend must RSVP to Holly Kingham.

Meeting closed 2115hrs

Next meeting AGM 6th July 2015 to be held in the Dores Parish Hall at 1930hrs