

## Dores And Essich Community Council Chairpersons Report 2021-2022

The Community Council over the past year continued to meet virtually until the 7th of March 2022 when we were able to meet in the hall.

We have been busy working with the Highland Council dealing with complaints, potholes, flooding on the roads, verges crumbling and parking, especially in the village.

Highland Council this year employed Access Rangers and it made a massive difference to Dores Beach, Loch Duntelchaig and surrounding areas. Thank you to the Access Rangers.

Nikki, our Treasurer, arranged for litter pickers and bin liners to be made available in 3 places for anybody walking to pick up rubbish.

The Inner Moray Firth Development Plan was discussed and representation was made on our behalf by Colin MacPherson assisted by John Martin who has also been working with Holm Community Council dealing with the Torbreck area of the Dores and Essich CC regarding the B1040 and a new junction being formed with the B862. He is also keeping an eye on the road closures for the fiber optic broadband cable works ongoing.

The Community was very quick to act when the Fish Farm moved the cages into the middle of the Loch and with the help of Cllr Davidson and Cllr David Fraser, Ella, Duncan and Simon made representations to have them moved back to where they were.

One of Simon our Secretaries jobs is to look after our website and keep it up to date. He posts all community notices and ILI updates and sends all relevant information to everybody on our community database.

The Boundary Commission has been looking at the Highland Council and our Parliamentary boundaries; we made representations to both consultations.

After numerous complaints regarding the speeding at Scaniport our Councillors arranged a meeting with the roads dept and Colin and Angus met with them and we are now waiting on phase one to be agreed.

At last some movement on our cemetery extension and housing at the Glebe, we look forward to seeing progress in the coming months. Scottish Water have said the water main rehabilitation should start in September.

Our thanks go to Andy MacDonald for collecting and delivering our prescriptions from Foyers Surgery and to Alister Thompson for replanting our flower tubs in the village.

Our thanks also to Cllrs Davidson and Fraser for the support they have given us and working closely with our Community Council especially supporting us on pushing for the roadworks from Kinichyle to Bona.

To our Community Councillors a big thank you for giving your time freely for the Community. To Angus our Vice Chairman who is stepping down thank you for supporting me over the last 12 years and last but not least to Anne our Minutes Secretary which must be difficult at times a big thankyou.

Our Members of the Community who joined our virtual meetings and lately took the time to join us in the hall, thank you it is much appreciated and we would welcome more of you to our meetings.