

In attendance:

Morag Mackenzie, Tristan Southall, Thomas MacLennan, Ewen Cameron, Police officer (Kyle), Councillor Kate Stephen, Catherine Will, Mary Jane Campbell, Alexander Mackenzie, Alex Townend.

Minutes of the last meeting:

The previous AGM minutes were not available

Chair's Report:

Chair gave a brief summary of the year's work - Attached

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report given by Alex Townend – Attached

The report was accepted and passed by Morag Mackenzie, seconded by Thomas MacLennan.

Elections for Office bearers on the Community Council:

Chairperson for Council – Mary Jane Campbell

Nominated – Morag Mackenzie

Seconded – Tristan Southall

Vice-chairperson – Morag Mackenzie

Nominated – Alex Townend

Seconded – Tristan Southall

Treasurer – Alex Townend

Nomination – Thomas MacLennan

Seconded – Morag Mackenzie

No nominations for secretary – David Shilling has agreed to carry on until we can find a suitable replacement.

Police Report: The officer commented on the lack of crime in the area and agreed that police may consider a presence on the road at Plockton Primary school to look at speeding issue there. Tristan Southall mentioned to the police that the road/pavement situation at the railway bridge into Plockton is not safe. It is only a matter of time before there is an accident. Councillor Kate Stephen will bring this up with the Highland council.

Community Consultation:

Community Council Consultation – Excellent turn out for the event. The PCC would like to thank everyone who attended. It was noted that very few 'younger' people in the area came to the meeting

Tristan Southall and Alexander Mackenzie will go through results to try and group replies. Will present back to the CC. A proposed meeting on Wednesday 21st of June didn't happen as the results

have not yet been sorted. Date for meeting TBC.

Planning Matters

It was noted that work to build James Greer's septic tank was about to finish. Gill James' letter to/from SEPA was read out. SEPA has been contacted by Mary Jane Campbell and Cameron Scott will speak to the Planning Department to find out what the situation is concerning the septic tank at Tigh na Mara, Alasdair MacKay's house.

Any Other Business

Tourist Association needs to be asked if they can do the food for the next Fireworks night

Add Primary School Traffic calming to list of ongoing road issues – Email councillor with updated list - AM to do - done 1/7/17

A letter from the Scottish Parliament re reducing speed limit in Plockton – making it a 20mph zone. was read out. Most of Plockton is already a 20mph zone.

MM mentioned that the 30 mph signs in Duirinish should be further out of the village to slow traffic before it arrives. Especially coming from the Plockton direction. Councillor suggested that she will ask the council to move the signs 5m further out. This can be done without a traffic order if the distance is 5m or less.

Letter from Edward Mountain MSP – introductory letter offering to come to a meeting on Monday or Friday. Email his assistant – struan.charters@parliament.scot

Update on Scotrail work on the Kyle line – Scotrail have agreed to put back the September work to October.

Secretary to get lists for planning sent to him directly now that Audrey has retired

Parking is becoming a major issue in Plockton during the tourist season.

Kate Stephen said that parking is now a council matter. Ullapool has a system £30 per year for a permit. The Highland Council have a set questionnaire to give to residents to find out if residents want parking restrictions. LEADER funding available. Also a fund for economic regeneration that might be able to give money for parking. Kate Stephen will contact MJ to arrange a meeting with person from council who will visit village to advise on parking

Austin Boyle was in attendance at the AGM. He mentioned that he has received complaints about the number of chairs in his Deli opposite the hall. His plan is for this to be a place that sells takeaway food with seats for eating in. It is not a cafe as no food is prepared on site. He is applying for new planning permission to be able to operate in this manner. He said that he doesn't envisage that he will be open for business this year.

At his building site at Rhu in Plockton, he currently has no end date for completion of the project. He has submitted a new planning application for the house and byre to be a B&B. There is a new planning requirement, something to do with rules for guest houses but Austin wasn't sure of the details, nor was anyone else. Austin admitted that the building site is unsightly but claimed his right to run his building project as he sees fit. He has no plans to remove any caravans from the site.

His house at No2 Bank Street, Plockton still has an outstanding planning issue in the design of his

modified front garden. He has no plans to change the garden and stated that he will go to court if he is required to change the work he has done to the garden.

CC next meeting Monday, 28th August