

Kilmallie Community Council

**Minutes of meeting 23rd February 2011
Time 17.45 at Kilmallie Hall, Corpach, Fort William.**

Present

Voting members present:

Margaret Mackenzie (MM), Christine Hutchison (CH), Jillian Clark (JC), Janet Maclugash (JM), Dawn Rigby (DR), Kshama Wilmington (KW), Calum Dennison (CD), Russell Leaper (RL) and Mandy Ketchin (MK).

Non voting members present:

Emma Taylor (ET), Returning Officer for the Kilmallie Community Council (KCC) Election.

Apologies

Tony Whitelocke.

Opening of the meeting

ET, Returning Officer, officially opened meeting at 5.45pm. All members of the new KCC were welcomed and brief introductions were taken.

RL suggested that a copy of the Constitution should be made available to all members. ET agreed to send emails out to all members with a copy attached ASAP.

Election Of Officers

Nominations.

Chairperson: - Jillian Clark.

Proposed by MM, and seconded by DR.

Treasurer: - Margaret Mackenzie.

Proposed by CD, and seconded by MK.

Secretary: - Dawn Rigby

Proposed by JM, and seconded by KW.

ET handed over the meeting to the new Chairwoman, JC.

ET handed over documents from the previous KCC, 2008.
Finance documents handed to the treasurer.

Previous minutes and letters handed to the secretary.
General documents handed to the Chair.

It was decided that these documents would be looked through and discussed at the next meeting.

Financial Report

The sourcing of funds and the possible balance available was discussed. The Treasurer suggested that a visit to the bank to arrange the changing over of signatures should be made soon, and this would make it easier to establish the present balance in the account and deal with any problems that may occur with account changes. ET explained how grants to Community Councils had been held back this year, due to new proposals effecting them that have yet to be established. However, there still may be funds available in the account from the previous KCC, in 2008.

AOB

It was agreed that KCC meetings should be advertised on local notice boards and that they should be held on a monthly basis, e.g. third Thursday of the month. This would enable members of the public to become accustomed to the date and time, so they may attend the meetings.

The use of a website was discussed, and the websites of other local community councils.

Venue of the next meeting was agreed and the Chair agreed to contact Jim Smith of Kilmallie Hall, to arrange a regular booking.

The Chair suggested that one member of the council should be appointed to train on planning issues and that Susan Poole from the planning department had agreed that she would attend a future meeting as a guest speaker.

Next Meeting

Kilmallie Village Hall, (to be confirmed) 7.00 pm, Thursday 24rd March 2011.