

Tannach and District Community Council
Tuesday 25th March 2025
7pm via Zoom
Minutes

Present: Gwyneth Sutherland (Chair)
Holly Forbes (Secretary)
Catriona MacDonald (Treasurer)
Catherine Sapalski (member)
Brian Sutherland (member)
Alice Miller (member)
2 members of the public

1. Welcome and Apologies

GS welcomed everyone and gave apologies for Cllr Jan McEwan

2. Confirmation of last meeting's draft minutes

Proposed by AM, seconded by CM

3. Actions from previous meeting

- a. Recycling question- Cllr McEwan found out: "2 x loads of Cardboard going to Glasgow and 1 load of plastics/Cans going to Perth, this may increase or decrease dependant on volume on a weekly basis".
- b. 50mph speed limit consultation. HF sent the CC's views against the changing of the national speed limit to the consultation. A discussion followed on the 20mph consultation. The CC's consultation response which was sent in late 2024 was only regarded as a comment. **Action** HF to confirm CC's objection to 20mph and to email Cllr McEwan to find out why the consultation has been extended.

4. Financial report

BoS going to start charging, **Action** CM to start looking into opening another account online with no fees. Possible idea for discussion at the ACCC as this will likely be affecting other CCs.

£4091.22 in bank. £430 cheque cashed for a microgrant to Thrumster Parent Council, £63.54 paid for Christmas light repairs, £72 paid for whisky barrels, £250 paid for Haster playpark cleaning.

5. AOB

- a. **Action** Cheques to be paid out to Milton Resident Association and Thrumster Community Development Association for what was included in the village officer grant report.
- b. Newton hill woodland- planting trees, putting pressure on irresponsible dog owners to pick up after their dogs, Easter event in planning
- c. Dog fouling in Thrumster discussed **Action** CM to find out what help is available from the Council
- d. Thrumster- new tennis court surface laid, should be complete in a few weeks time. Looking into lighting as well but may not be possible due to light pollution and being in a built-up area.
- e. New Police commissioner is changing how police interact with the CC. Report now being sent monthly. Big meeting every quarter with CCs. Chair going to attend first meeting when we find out when that is.

- f. Association of Caithness Community Council's meeting on the 16th of April in Norseman. GS and BS planning on attending.
- g. GS attended Area Place Plan event in Lybster at the end of February.

Next meeting on 29th April 7pm on Zoom