

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY WANLOCKHEAD VILLAGE  
COUNCIL ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER, 2016.

PRESENT:

Lynda Findlay, William Findlay, Androulla Richford, Anne Arrigoni,  
Marilyn Pickburn, Harry Pickburn, Paul Cope, Isobel Gibb, Alanna  
Rogerson, Steven Morrison.

APOLOGIES: Audrey Ridley, Ian Marden, Vicky Reed.

A welcome from the Chair all are invited to read the minutes of the  
meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2016.

Minutes approved, proposed and seconded by Paul Cope and William  
Findlay.

MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MINUTES

Fraser Trust:

Chair confirmed she had received a reply from Kenny McLean, stating  
that the trust was private and had no duty to give information to a third  
party. In answer to Isobel Gibb the chair stated that the only information  
we have is that 3 properties remain in the trust and known trustees are  
Margaret Wilson, Maureen Russell and Kenny McLean.

Steven Morrison told the meeting that we should accept the solicitors  
answer to our enquiry. After further discussion it was agreed that the  
chair will make an appointment and together with the secretary go and  
speak to the solicitor. Action

Contamination:

Anne to speak to Stair Brown if he could give the WVC the best direction  
to take. Action

Gardens:

Chair confirmed she had written to George Moffat inviting his team to  
come back next year and continue their good work around the village.  
They will continue with work to restore benches through the winter.

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

Isobel nominated Lynda Findlay as Chair, seconded by Anne Arrigoni.  
Lynda nominated Androulla Richford as Secretary, William Findlay seconded.  
Harry nominated Anne Arrigoni as Treasurer, Marilyn Pickburn seconded.  
Anne nominated Isobel Gibb as Vice Chair, Marilyn Pickburn seconded.

## FINANCE

### Treasurer's Report

#### Wanlockhed Village Council Wind Farm Account 3/10/16

Opening Balance	£1,744.03
No Expenditure	
Closing Balance	£1,744.03

#### Village Council Account 3/10/16

Opening Balance	723.76
No Expenditure	
Closing Balance	£723.76

#### SSE Clyde Wind Farm update:

- . Micro grants available
- . next round of money should be in will confirm at next meeting plus remnant of grant not given to Community Centre for purchasing new equipment. Foundation Scotland, administering the fund needs clarification from D&G council as to ownership of equipment. D&G have prevaricated for months.

There was a discussion about the strict criteria applied to fund applications. Also that the present equipment in the kitchen are not up to health and safety standards and need changing. New equipment would be free standing and therefore will not constitute fixed equipment this being the sticking point.

#### NLEI Proposal /Turbines in Wanlockhead:

An exhibition took place on the 29<sup>th</sup> September. Isobel referred to a communication she received from Ian Ledger who attended the above meeting to ask questions about the proposal. His email was read out. Mostly it refers to his disappointment at not receiving clear answers or information to his enquiries. There was a discussion and a general

agreement of dissatisfaction with this exhibition. It lacked publicity, and accuracy of information. Notices were promised for notice boards but there were none on the village notice boards. 19 residents from Wanlockhead and 10 from Leadhills attended as a result of someone seeing the notice board in Leadhills and putting it on the local facebook page. It was pointed out that, recently, both villages had notices sent by post to every household from the developer of the Harry Burn Proposal. As discussed at the AGM meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> September, it was unanimously voiced that it was not up to the village council to be responsible for the PR for this proposal.

After further discussion it was agreed that the WVC write a letter to 2020/Buccleuch regarding their lack of effort in undertaking a proper consultation with the 700 residents of the two villages. Action

#### AOB:

The Chair informed the meeting that Charlie Russ is now the new contact with the Estate. The chair communicated that we are still awaiting the removal of broken fences and barbed wire to be removed from patches of plantations near the play park.

#### Notice Boards:

Improvements needed on the one by the Miners Library. New hinges needed to aid ease of access. Chair to speak with Tommy to see if he could do it. Action

Garden gate post rotted, secured by William Findlay and a warning notice placed on the gate.

Felting on Garden shed needs fixing – William will see to it. Action

#### GP changes:

The meeting discussed the contents of the letter received by all the residents informing them of the changes to the Doctor's services to the village. There is great concern about the proposed changes and in particular for those with no access to a car to facilitate travelling further for GP services. Consideration should be given to the great distances involved the remoteness and bad weather.

As a result of the above discussion, Marilyn Pickburn brought up the subject of a Defibrillator for the village. We had been awaiting for one

from GANDL. Anne Arrigoni will get in touch with Anne Jeffries.

Action

Steve Morrison enquired about First Responders, he was informed that they disbanded. He will speak with James to find out if there is a chance they could be started again. It was also discussed that we could organise a mass First Aid training for the village. The Chair will look into this.

Action

Anne to order Poppy Wreath, The Chair will be taking the Remembrance Service this year and she will be going round the village before the 25<sup>th</sup> October. Action

Androulla reported that Dulley's dyke has now acquired a new hole as a result of the work to install broadband. In the past both the Railway and D&G said they were not responsible. The Chair will check with the Estate. Action

Anne reported that the left side of the cattle grid has lifted. She will look into this. Action

The meeting ended at 8.50 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2016.