



Kyleakin & Kylerhea Community Company

**Minutes of the 11th Meeting of the
Kyleakin & Kylerhea Community Company
Monday 24th November 2008
Time: 1900 - 2030
Harry's Cafe, Kyleakin**

Present: Nigel MacDairmid (Chairman), Rick Terry (Treasurer), Harry Slater (Secretary), Mairi MacKenzie (Director), Phil Lyons (Director), Flora Strachan (Director), Campbell Patterson (Co-opted Director), Sue Newband (Minute Secretary)

Apologies: None

Notes: Kyleakin & Kylerhea Community Company (K&KCC), Nigel MacDairmid (NM), Rick Terry (RT), Harry Slater (HS), Mairi MacKenzie (MM), Flora Strachan (FS), Phil Lyons (PL), Campbell Patterson (CP), Sue Newband (SN), Lochalsh and Skye Housing Association (LSHA)

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 6th November 2008 at Harry's Cafe, Kyleakin

There were no matters arising that were not already included on the Agenda, therefore with the exception of a minor amendment to Item 8, the minutes were accepted as a true reflection of the proceedings of the meeting.

2. Charity Status

NM informed the meeting that a letter had been received from the Solicitor regarding the submission of additional information which was required by 25th November. NM advised the meeting that the requested information had been sent last week so until a response was received from either the Solicitor or the Charity Commission, nothing further could be done at this time.

3. Correspondence

Kirsty Phipps had responded to the K&KCC letter regarding the ground at the entrance to the village, the contents of which would be discussed later on in the meeting.

LSHA had responded to the K&KCC letter requesting a meeting to discuss future plans for the hostel. FS will liaise with the Community Council to arrange a suitable date and report back to the next meeting. HS/SN will then advise LSHA of the preferred date.

A letter had been received from SOLAS Business Services Ltd regarding LEADER funding. A meeting is taking place at the Broadford Hotel on Tuesday 25th November at 6 – 8 pm. HS, CP and PL to attend on behalf of K&KCC and will report back at the next meeting.

A letter from Scottish National Heritage inviting a representative from K&KCC to attend the Scottish Natural Heritage Board Open Evening at the Dunollie Hotel, Broadford on Wednesday 3rd December, 6 – 9 pm. PL, FS and SN will attend and report back at the first available meeting after 3rd December.

HISEZ have contacted K&KCC requesting a meeting, NM and RT will meet with representatives on 28th November and report back at the next meeting.



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CADISPA – have informed K&KCC that they will be in the area on 27th November, it was felt that all the directors should attend and proposed to hold the meeting at Harry's Cafe at 7pm on Thursday 27th November.

4. Offer on the hostel and annex

Nothing further had been received regarding the offer on the Hostel and Annex and until a meeting is arranged between LSHA, K&KCC and the Community Council it was not possible to discuss this matter further.

5. K&KCC website

The website – www.kkcc.co.uk is now set up and working and no further discussion on this subject is required at the moment. Ray Shields had been contacted with a request to remove the minutes of previous meetings from <http://kyleakin.com/> and put a link direct to www.kkcc.co.uk.

6. Funding applications

As a number of meetings were taking place over the next week it was agreed that nothing further could be discussed until the feedback was received from all of the meetings attended.

7. Business plan and brochure

K&KCC are still struggling to find the time and funds to produce a business plan/brochure. It was hoped that the meeting with CADISPA on 27th November may help K&KCC find a way forward. K&KCC would also contact Tam Henderson for advice.

8. Youth organisations/young people

HS, CP and PL visited the Youth Club on Saturday 22nd November and gave a presentation on the role of K&KCC and how the young people could contribute to the future development of the local area. A number of young people expressed an interest in joining K&KCC as Junior Members and it is hoped that one of them will (with parental permission and the required nominations) attend K&KCC directors meetings.

A number of ideas were put forward, and several of them were thought to be beneficial to both the young people and other members of the local community as well as tourists. The major problem is identifying a suitable location to house the ideas. Discussion also took place as to whether the bottom floor of the hostel could still be workable and incorporate some of the ideas from the young people. If successful it would need a huge amount of work to make the area serviceable for the needs of the community. Potential office space was also discussed as there is an apparent shortage of small office space in the area.

The meeting were reminded that any decision regarding the hostel would have to be put to the whole membership for approval.

Additionally the Youth Club find that transport is a major problem as the local education authority transport was thought to be extremely expensive. It was suggested that perhaps K&KCC could help find the money to fund a local mini-bus which could be used for all members of the community for a nominal fee.



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Concern was expressed that for the next few weeks the Youth Club would not be able to use the Village Hall for their meetings due to prior bookings. Although not the remit of K&KCC it was felt that to encourage the young people in the area to take a constructive part in their community, they need to have a regular "home" where they could meet and in their words, "chill out and relax". This would also ensure that they did not hang around the trolley park of the Co-op in Kyle and around shop and pub doorways or in the local bus shelters. During the period in December that the Youth Club could not meet at the Village Hall, HS offered the use of Harry's Cafe as a temporary venue.

Another idea discussed was to look at whether it would be possible to purchase an area of land to develop into allotments whereby the younger members of the community could learn from the older members about growing their own vegetables etc.

9. Waste ground at the entrance to the Village

Mrs Phipps had replied to the K&KCC letter regarding the ground at the entrance to the village advising that the responsibility for decisions relating to the land now rested with Charles Phipps (son) and Alice Beck (nee Phipps, daughter). It was felt that the letter was encouraging and it was proposed that a meeting be arranged with Mr Charles Phipps and Mrs Alice Beck, when they are visiting Skye during the Christmas and New Year period, to outline further the possible usage for the land. HS/SN to email Mr Charles Phipps and Mrs Alice Beck sending minutes of meetings as well as a copy of the aims and a newsletter.

In her letter Mrs Phipps advised that there was a query as to who owned all the land in question as apparently some of the paperwork confirming the boundaries was destroyed in a fire some years ago. It was felt that although the Highland Council would probably be able to confirm the boundaries, this was something that the Phipps family needed to resolve and K&KCC could not be involved in at the moment.

10. Fundraising

A number of prizes had been promised for a future raffle. Details of all those donating prizes would be included in the next newsletter as a thank you and where necessary as a small means of advertising their business.

It was agreed that, providing the Village Hall was available, K&KCC would organise a quiz night on Thursday 5th February 2009, a quiz master has been approached and agreed to donate his time to the fund.

A letter had been sent to the Community Council requesting additional funding.

The meeting was informed that the Solicitor would require payment in the near future and there was concern that after this payment had been made there would be very little in the bank account for future expenditure.

A suggestion was made that in view of the promise of raffle prizes, would it be possible to hold a raffle before Christmas. A query was raised regarding a license for raffles, SN offered to check the regulations on the internet and HS would speak to Caroline at the Post Office for additional advice.



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SN reported back on the Armadale Christmas Fare and suggested that this was something that K&KCC could undertake in the future to help fund the administration of the company. Although it is too late to catch this year's Christmas period, it was suggested that perhaps a similar event could be run around the Easter period.

11. Any other business

The West Highland Free Press are extremely interesting in promoting the work of K&KCC and FS will produce a draft press release for discussion at the next meeting.

HS informed the meeting that he would submit an advert for the next newsletter (due out in January) and SN asked all to think of articles that could be included.

Kyleakin Gala Meeting on Tuesday 25th November – it was felt that K&KCC should show support for this event as to lose it would be yet another significant loss to the village. Although MM was attending the meeting in a different role, FS and SN agreed to attend on behalf of other members of K&KCC. K&KCC also agreed that if required they would support running a stall/stand.

12. Date and time of next meeting

Monday 1st December 2008 at 7pm at Harry's Cafe

Liquidity Statement

Account stands at £275.47

Total time on K&KCC Business – 255.5 Hours

From 03/04/2008 to date



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Item No:	Action	Who	Date Required by	Comments
1	Send final minutes of meetings held on 6th November to all Directors and the Community Council	SN	ASAP	
3	Liaise with Community Council regarding date for meeting with LSHA	FS	ASAP	
	Contact LSHA regarding proposed meeting date	HS/SN	Next Meeting	
	Attend SOLAS Business Services Ltd Meeting – 25th November	PL/HS/CP	Next Meeting	
	Attend Scottish National Heritage meeting – 3rd December	PL/FS/SN	Next Meeting	
	Attend HISEZ meeting 28th November	ND/RT	Next Meeting	
	Inform CADISPA of meeting date	SN	ASAP	
	Attend CADISPA meeting – 27th November	ALL	Next Meeting	
7	Contact Tam Henderson regarding business plan/brochure	HS/SN	ASAP	
8	Youth Club – chase up parental approval for potential members and identify one person to sit on the board of directors	HS	Next Meeting	
9	Send Aims, Newsletter & minutes to Mr Charles Phipps and Mrs Ann Beck	HS/SN	Next Meeting	
10	Continue organisation of Quiz Night for 5th February 2008	HS/CP	Next Meeting	
	Check licensing regulations for raffles	HS/SN	ASAP	
11	Draft press release for West Highland Free Press	FS	ASAP	
	Attend Kyleakin Gala Day Meeting on 25th November	FS/SN	Next Meeting	
	Articles required for the newsletter	All	January 2009	