

Hilton, Milton and Castle Heather Community Council meeting

4 June 2024 – 7pm

Hilton Community Centre

Present

Richard Allan – Chair

Jess MacLennan – Treasurer

Liberty Lloyd – Secretary

Cllr Jackie Hendry

Cllr Isabelle MacKenzie

Cllr Ian Brown

A Paterson, R Hamilton, Robert Ross, Paula Lloyd, Audrey Clarke, Susan Mackenzie, Sarah Walker, Peter Wyness, Shirley Wyness, Marion Macdonald

Apologies

Lorraine Cran – Vice Chair

Phil McDonald

Matters Arising and Correspondence

1. Castle Heather Park
 - Confirmed that ownership of the park is with Highland Council
 - Site visit for drainage concerns yet to happen
 - Still only one general waste bin
 - Play Park for young children seems to be damaged so animals can get in and children can get out.
 - Council vehicles still going through the park which in turn means grass and mud is covering the paths. Paths could perhaps be widened as the mud seems to have covered parts of the path.
 - Community would like to look into having more frisbee golf apparatus installed.
2. Potholes
 - Apparent improvement in potholes in the area as a result of promoting the pothole reporting form on the Highland Council website.
3. Burnt out building on Evan Barron Road
 - No progress.
4. Youth clubs
 - Jackie Hendry attended a Community Partnership event, Merkinch community successfully engaged with young people and Jackie is looking into replicating the model in Hilton. Mark Greig keen to work with this too.
 - Still no active clubs at present
 - Use of space underneath the Hilton Community Centre with a view to utilising it for youth groups.

5. Next meeting – AGM
 - Richard Allan – current chair – is not going to continue as chair due to other commitments
6. Road safety
 - Reports of speeding on various roads in Hilton
 - Speed check survey to be requested – Jackie Hendry looking into this.
7. Salt bins
 - There is no grit bin near the shops, church or bus stop on Tomatin Road, this is to be raised with Highland Council.
8. Fly tipping
 - Perception of increase in fly-tipping – this can be reported to Highland Council
 - Query to be made with Highland Council regarding bulky uplifts to clarify the cost and what happens with reports of fly-tipping.
9. Advertisement of meetings
 - Posters to be put up in and around the community to encourage people to attend

Police Report

PC Macleod noticed an increase in speeding outside schools whilst on foot/cycle patrol.

Treasurers Report

Hilton, Milton and Castle Heather Community Council balance stands at £21535

Councillors Report

1. **Jackie Hendry**
 - Basketball court has been patched, although not completely resurfaced, useage of the court has increased.
 - Jackie is looking to see if new lines can be painted, and new nets/chains can be installed at the Basketball court.
 - Once all work at the basketball court is completed, a community event could be organised for reopening.
 - Parking at Hilton Community Centre – council vans obstructing pacements. Letter sent out to Kintail Crescent residents with regards to using some of their parking, no objections.
 - New bus shelter at Balloan Park shops installed and is being used.
2. **Isabelle MacKenzie**
 - Mikeysline have appointments available for families at the Lighthouse Cafe on Tomatin Road every other Friday
 - Isabelle brought awareness to an ongoing Highland Council survey called YourPlaceHighland to allow the community to have their say. This has been shared on our Facebook page.
- **Ian Brown**
 - Meeting and AGM minutes to be provided to Mark Greig so we can receive grants from Highland Council

Next Meeting

(AGM) Tuesday 6 August 2024 - 7pm

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