

■ FRIENDS OF GLENAN WOOD STEERING COMMITTEE - MINUTES OF AUGUST MEETING

- **Date:** 23rd August, 2018
 - **Time:** 4.00pm
 - **Place:** Lucy's House, Portavadie
 - **Attendees:** Mark Appleton, Andree Hawke, Eve MacFarlane, Lucy Roper, Robin Webster, Mick Eyre
 - **Apologies:** Rob Borruso, Heather Cattermole
1. **Minutes of Last Meeting** It was agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting were approved and could therefore be dated and signed off by Eve prior to posting on the FoGW website.
ACTION: Eve.
 2. **Treasurer's Report.** Lucy reported that we are £78 in credit. Although there are no imminent outgoings and costs, the group agreed that it would be good to do some fundraising to have some more money in the bank.
 3. **Update on Asset Transfer.** Eve reported that we are aiming for the November deadline for the Asset Transfer Request. Eve needs to feed Duncan the final changes so we have the final document. In the mean time, we need to gather information that will support and boost the application. The two key areas are: The need for a clear demonstration of community support and how to justify securing a discount. IN terms of the discount, we need to have numbers to back up our claim. Mick agreed to put together a case for forest school that would support the discount. Eve to look at increased access in general. Andree to look at wildlife/environmental benefits. Andree also agreed to put together a map of potential paths that we could create and link into to as a document that would support the application.
 4. **Community leafleting.** Agreed to leaflet the PA21 area. Eve to check leaflets and order another print run. To be dropped with a membership form. Arrange a drop off point in both post offices. In terms of wider communication, agreed we need to increase our exposure. Andree agreed to ask TDDT to out a supportive poster in window. And group agreed to get more signage created for the area. The group discussed the idea of leafleting at big community events, such as shinty matches and markets.
 5. **Wild camping.** The group discussed the recent wild camping incident in the picnic area by Glenan. It was a huge mess, with tents, broken bottles, clothes, food and litter all left. The group cleared the mess up, keeping the tents to use at community events. Michaela took a bag of head torches that were left to use at KCFC. Eve reported the incident to FCS. It was also agreed that we would report it to the police. Lucy to report to the contact at Dunoon police station. Highlighted a big public benefit that comes with community ownership - the ability to steward the area. The group agreed to keep an eye on the wild camping situation. They discussed that they were supportive of the legal right to wild camp, but only if done responsibly and emphasized that there should be n overnight parking at Glenan car park.
 6. **AGM.** The group agreed to hold the AGM at 2pm on Saturday 20th October. Eve to book Kames Church hall.

Date of next meeting: 4pm, Friday 28th September 2018 KCFC.