

Present - Mike Masters, Robbie Bell, Sharon MacInnes, Ian Brogan, Lynda Syed, Richard Polanski.

Also Present - Gill Telfer, Margaret McIntyre, Donnie Macmillan, Dougie Philand, Sergeant Martin Wilson, Caitlin MacMahon.

Apologies - Helen Brown.

Minutes of previous meeting - Approved

Matters Arising - None

Treasurer's Report - Income nil. Expenditure nil .Balance £654.30.

Police Issues - Police have been monitoring the recent speed limit change to 40mph between Furnace and Minard. There has been no detection of breaking this limit and there have been positive comments from affected residents who have noticed a drop in speeding.

Road Issues - Transport Scotland has identified a sum of £50,000 for improvements to the footpath from Furnace to Allt na Ceardaich. This will be carried out in 2017.

There is to be a meeting with Bear Scotland to discuss permanent speed restrictions of 40mph.

20mph speed limits need to be painted on roads in Furnace village. Dougie Philand will attempt to resolve this. Ian Brogan suggested speed bumps on road near school as he felt that lorries were being driven at too high a speed.

Youth Projects - Martin Wilson will try to start up a youth club.

Caitlin has suggested holding a walk for charity along the West Highland Way. This was very well received and plans will be underway to organise this for next spring. Caitlin will canvass for volunteers including children and adults. A shorter test run was advised at some point this year. Martin has offered to help with planning.

Mid Argyll Partnership report - A meeting is being held in September.

Correspondence & Info Exchange - Andy Craven will be holding meetings on defibrillator training in Furnace village hall. These will be held on Wednesday 14th September between the hours of 15.00-17.00 and 18.00-20.00. The machine is set up and ready for use. Martin Wilson reported that the code for the defibrillator box is now lodged with the emergency services and anyone dialling 999 will be given the code.

Donnie Macmillan reported that Argyll council have been spraying the Japanese Knotweed. ACHA will be spraying around properties belonging to them.

Sarah Bradley has researched matters concerning the changeover at Furnace surgery. She will hold a follow up meeting on 12th September to discover what effect these changes have had on patients.

Next Meeting 22/09/2016.

