

## **Minutes: Paths Group Meeting 27/05/19 at 7.00 pm**

**Venue:** Strontian Fire Station

**Present:** John Jones (Chair), Sue Metcalfe, Alastair MacDougall, Alison MacDougall, Morag Jones, Sheila Wilson, Sheila MacKenzie.

### **1. Welcome and Apologies**

Apologies were received from Dean Mann.

### **2. Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> Feb. were approved.

### **3. Leaflet**

The paths leaflet is now published.

**Action Points:** Chair to determine the current status of the paths group budget and to contact Izzy Baker regarding the final report to Paths for All.

### **4. Benches**

Chair thanked the MacDougalls for their continued hosting of the benches.

#### **Potential bench locations.**

- 1) Two at Ardnastang Bay. Some resistance expressed regarding locating one of the benches on the island in the bay. General support for a bench at either end of the beach.

**Action Point:** Chair to contact Robert Dunn regarding Ardnastang permissions.

- 2) Old School House Plot.
- 3) Teddy Bear's Picnic.
- 4) Jetty.

The easiest locations for bench placement are 3) and 4) above but these are not currently owned by the Community Company.

**Action Point:** Chair to discuss the situation with respect to the purchase of locations 3) and 4) with James Hilder.

Gill Wilson's request regarding siting a bench on the grazings above Ardnastang was noted for future if further benches were constructed.

There was general agreement that plaques should be attached to the benches. Design/costings to be decided.

There was discussion of renewing the picnic table opposite the telephone exchange.

### **4. Working Party Days.**

Remedial work on the Back Road has been carried out. Sheila MacKenzie noted that the Longrigg Path may need some further maintenance.

There was discussion of the need to tidy-up community owned land adjacent to the bridge.

The priority with respect to working parties is the Old School House Plot which needs improvement before a bench can be located.

Action Point: Chair to email members for help in clearing the Old School House Plot.

## **5. GPS Mapping**

A number of members have used the laminated GPS sheets and attempted to map the Fairies Walk. Further training may be required.

## **6. A.O.B.**

### a) Signs.

It was decided that a comprehensive review of the signs currently in the village requires to be undertaken.

Action Point: Members to assess the current signage and report back.

It was agreed that the Men's Shed should be approached for views on the design and construction of new signs required.

Action Point: Sheila Wilson to talk to members of men's shed.

Date of next meeting: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Time and location to be notified in due course.