

Buchanan Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held in Buchanan Hall 23/6/08 at 7.30pm

Apologies J. Bannerman

Present

J. Milner, M. Milner, S. Fraser, D. Fraser, B. Crooks, S. Fraser, S. Macfarlane, J. Macfarlane, W. McAlister, G. Bannerman, A. Murdoch, K. Merrick, A. Hannan, W. Nisbet, Pam Campbell

The minutes of the meeting held on 12/5/08 were approved.

Matters arising

Police Not present

M. Milner outlined the Actions Plans which BCP wish to develop. These are:

Visitor Management

Transport

Housing

Events

It was agreed the Buchanan CC would support these and members would volunteer for appropriate groups.

A. Hannan gave a summary of an Ironworks operation conducted by police undertaken on the 24<sup>th</sup> May & 6<sup>th</sup> June

Clearway offences were issued, vehicles inspected, ASBOS offences completed. This was helped by Park Wardens and 500 leaflets given out and 200 bags of litter collected

This led to a long discussion on visitor management on East Loch Lomond, S. Fraser was worried about illegal parking on corners at Lochan Maoll Dhuinne forcing vehicles into the path of oncoming traffic. Fixed penalties were not effective and removal of offending vehicles should be considered. There was also a need to move boundary boulder nearer to the road to prevent parking. Lining the road was discussed but J. Milner reported that studies revealed that lining was not a help.

The number of campers using this area, Sallochy car park, Rowardennan and the Lochside generally had increased and these create areas with lots of rubbish and insanitary conditions. These conditions make visitors avoid such areas.

It was agreed to contact the Park, the police and forest Enterprise to warn of the problems.

AOCB

It was requested to contact Stirling council to ask for the provision of a street cleaner for Balmaha – similar to the provision for Drymen.

The condition of the pier at Balmaha is deteriorating and the Park will be contacted to determine what plans they have to improve it.

Next meeting: 1/9/08 in the Visitor Centre Balmaha.