



# Cormonachan Woodlands

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## Minutes

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 4.30 pm at Cruach House, Carrick Castle, Argyll, PA24 8AF

- 1) Liz Evans (LE) welcomed the committee members, Marion McCune (MM), Douglas Locke (DL), Rowan Fraser (RF) Jimmy Sim (JS) and Simon Garnett (SG).
- 2) Approval of the Minutes of the last Committee Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2015 were approved and proposed by MM & seconded by SG and signed after the follow ups had been addressed – JS said he would chase up Elizabeth Bain (EB) for the plans and copy lease for the Cormonachan Woodlands car park as Argyll Holidays said to him that they had definitely given copies of the plans and lease to her.
- 3) Report by the Chair on the current position of the Cormonachan Woodlands Association (CW). CW has been told by FCS that we will still have to be patient for a lease. Marker posts (10) had been purchased for the walks at a cost of £59.51 at a hugely discounted price originally priced at about £10 each. The CW were not able to apply for free deciduous trees as the FCS said this would have to form part of the Management Plan and could not be planted before FCS had approved the plan. A Roller Banner Display Unit for CW had been ordered at a cost of £87.69. This was received but there was a problem in closing it so the manufacturers said they would replace it with another one and we could keep the original, so after taking the first one apart we managed to get it working and now have two units for the price of one. This was well received by the committee members. LE & DL will be attending the Community Woodlands Association's (CWA) Annual Conference in Dunoon on 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> August. DL has applied to attend the Hutting & Leases Autumn Workshops.
- 4) Report on the bank account and accounts for CW. RF advised that the bank balance was £757.31. Only the banner unit had been paid for at £87.69 since the last meeting. £10.00 is due to be paid to DL for the first year's Community Woodlands Association's membership and £10.00 would be paid for the Gala Day stand. There will be some other associated costs to come connected to the Gala Day as well. JS advised that he had requested £3K from enTrust over the

next two year through the Lochgoil Community Council as grants for community projects.

- 5) Secretary's report including update on the website. Douglas reported that he was keeping the website up to date. The membership currently has 26 members, 21 are Full Members; 2 are Associates; 1 is a Corporate and 2 are free Child Members. One further Corporate Member is forthcoming. The second Members' Update had been sent out to members by e-mail on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015. MM reported that the CW Facebook has been kept up to date promoting the Gala Day and the CW Stand.
- 6) Loch Goil Gala Day on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2015. MM reported that the opening hours are from 12.30 (stands to be manned at 12.00) to 16.30 hrs. Everything is ready for the stand by way of equipment, stock, displays, etc. The CWA stand will be 3 M x 3 M and the timetable for the day is as follows:-  
09.30 LE & DL will arrive at MM's house to prepare the strawberries, purchased the previous day.  
10.30 Marquee to be set up on site by LE, DL, MM, JS & RF – Marion's husband Rory will help if required.  
11.00 Stand inside marquee to be set up by above – basic plan agreed.  
12.00 CWA stand open – see rota below.  
13.30 Prize winners to be announced in two competitions over tanoy by Matt Montgomery.  
16.30 Stand closed and disassemble stand (LE, DL & MM).  
17.00 Depart  
The stand will need to be manned by a minimum of three people at any one time depending on how busy the stand is as we will be running two competitions, selling items and trying to attain new members. LE, DL, MM, RF and Sheron Hambly (SH) have agreed to work on the stand on a rota. The rota is as follows:-  
12.00 – 13.00 – LE, DL, MM, RF & SH  
13.00 – 14.00 – LE, DL, MM, RF  
14.00 – 15.00 – LE, DL, MM  
15.00 – 16.30 – LE, DL, MM & SH  
Note: LE, DL, RF & MM will take breaks during the afternoon as required.
- 7) Car park development cannot proceed until the CWA has a FCS lease. *JS will before the next meeting in August attempt to get copies of the proposed car park plans and lease from Elizabeth Bain and/or Argyll Holidays, the current parties that are signature to the agreements made in the past. We can't apply for any major funding for anything else until a FCS lease is in place.*
- 8) Other business – The C W Management Plan will need to be discussed at the next meeting planned for Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 16.30 hrs at Cruach House, Carrick Castle due to having all the historical CW files to hand. *In between times a potential walking route will need to be surveyed to join the forestry road above Cormonachan Woodlands to the C W paths as FCS would like this connection to be made (LE & DL). (All items in italics for following up).*

The meeting closed at 17.35 hrs.