Holm Community Council

Meeting held 7.20p.m. Tues 6 May 2014 at the I.R.A.

Present: Andy Maxstone (chair), Jim McDiarmid, Councillor Alasdair Christie, Councillor Fraser Parr, Mary Matheson, Julia Brook. Member of the public: May Brindley.

Apologies: Katherine Mackenzie (sec.), Jim Hardie , Councillor Jean Slater, Councillor Norrie Donald .

In the absence of the secretary, Julia Brook agreed to take the Minutes.

1. **Minutes of 4 March** agreed as true record. Proposed **J.M.** Seconded **M.M.**

2. **Matters arising** **J.M.** asked if pursuing idea of joint meetings with Lochardil. **A.M.** said not as routine but if relevant such as re. Knocknagael proposals. **J.M.** suggested may still be necessary if short of community councillors but **A.M.** said need to preserve our identity and should not be done lightly, the new housing developments may provide new members.

Cllr A.C. referred to Lochardil newsletter, 80-85% of articles also apply to Holm so suggested we use these themes as a basis for a Holm newsletter. ***Action: A.C*** *to distil themes*

J.M. buses not reliable on timekeeping. ***Action: J.M.*** *to monitor specific buses over next 4 weeks*

Holm C.C. supported objection to closure of Hilton Service Point. 15 month Consultation now in place on Service Points. Cllrs said Hilton was never going to be closed without local debate and exhaustive process.

A.M. has produced Policy Note re. use of voice recorder at Meetings, includes reading disclaimer at beginning of every Meeting.

3. Police Report

No Police Report and no issues to update Police with.

4. Finance

Application forms for funding have been sent on request to Holm P.T.A. for nursery

5. Correspondence

Competition for Lottery funding with I.T.V., closing date 16 May.

Inverness City Action Plan event in Town House 3 April. **J.B.** attended. It nvited ideas from the public for improvements to the city.

John Boocock circulated letter to all community councils, largely critical of Highland Council dealings with community councils and the Ward Forums. We discussed the diversity of community councils. We have built good relationships with Ward Manager and others and feel able to raise issues as and when they arise. ***Action: A.M.*** *to reply, some interesting thoughts and interested in response.*

James Proctor from Trading Standards is promoting Cold Call Control Zones. ***Action: A.M.*** *to invite James to next Meeting*

6. Planning

Notification received of work starting at Ness Castle site; trees being cleared.

Possible change to Knocknagael proposed housing and allotments with Scottish Government

7. A.O.B.

New goal nets needed at Holm Park ***Action: A.M.*** *to order 2 sets incl 1 for Holm Dell*

Annette Maclean has offered to help with the Website, Facebook and Twitter. In principle would be helpful, ***A.M.*** *to discuss further*

Meeting closed 8.30pm