

Glencoe and Glen Etive Community Council
Minutes of the CC meeting held on 2nd June 2026

7.30pm, online only, via Zoom

Councillors Present

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| Helen Fairlie (Chair) – HF |
| Sally Mortimer (Treasurer/Vice Chair) – SM |
| Gwen McTaggart – (Secretary) GMT |
| Ian William McTaggart – IMT |

Also Present

Emily Bryce, NTS

1 member of the local community

HF opened the meeting and declared it quorate. HF informed attendees that the meeting was being recorded, and that minutes would be written up from the recording by the Minutes Secretary. These will be circulated via the CC Facebook page and posted on the two notice boards in the village.

1: Apologies: None

2: Approval of minutes of previous meeting

Minutes were approved by CC members in advance of the meeting and circulated. Proposal to formally adopt the minutes: Proposed by GMT seconded by SM.

3: Matters arising from previous minutes

EB gave an update re campaign to have speed limit reduced on A82 – Stephen Kitts (Transport Scotland) has stated that reduction is not appropriate on the section through the glen (Coire Gabhail and Coire nan Lochan parking areas) and past the NTS visitor centre. EB will challenge this, using accident data, increased numbers using Glencoe Greenway over the last year. EB will draft a letter to be signed by CC, HC councillors and other interested parties.

GMT has arranged for a new sign to go at the Upper Carnoch road end, directing visitors to the Massacre monument (hand painted wooden sign to be attached to the fence).

4: Finance

Current balance reported by SM: £3780.16

5: Planning

Ref Number 26/02006/LBC **Application Type** Listed Building Consent

Validation Date 13/05/2026 **Grid Reference** 211823 756666

Expiry Date for lodging Representations 19/06/2026

Description of Works External repair project incorporating fabric repairs, renewal of windows and door joinery and roof lights, lime repointing and lime washing, enhancements to rainwater goods and drainage, renewed external lighting, improved discrete detailing

Location of Works Leishman Memorial Centre, Glencoe, Ballachulish, PH49 4LA

6: Communication to HC

GMT contacted Liam regarding the overflowing bins in carpark last Friday - he already had a lorry on its way to empty them. GMT tidied up rubbish around the bin area.

Roads department - The bridge at Clachaig has been programmed in to be repaired in September. Roads dept have also been contacted re the extraction of wood to be taken out along back road (this is not FLS) and are working on a plan as to how many loads might be possible per day, due to weight of lorries on the road. No timescale on this as yet. Line painting at village road end is also programmed in, but no date given as yet.

7: Meetings attended by councillors

None.

8: Community SCIO

One educational grant has been awarded in the last week. Next round of funding will open on 17th August and close at 12noon on 30th September. Publicity for this will be going out soon.

9: Carpark

Update re carpark: 5 interested parties applied to invitation to tender; contracts should be agreed over the next month or so and works should start after that. Susan Considine at HC will keep us updated. One tree at the site was only partly cut as it had memorial flowers attached. The remainder of the tree will have to

come down when works start, but HC will put some seats at the loch side of carpark so who ever placed the memorial can sit and look across that area. HC are also now aware there is a works compound (for museum redevelopment) along the road from the carpark site.

Alltnafeadh car park project update (EB): application has been put in to Ward Discretionary Fund to get the rest of the money needed for the design work on the new car park. Project team will meet the landscape architect soon to discuss preliminary ideas. Next meeting of the group will be set up for July.

Coire Gabhail parking area will be closed for four days from 8 June while extra work takes place (including bollards to stop parking on the road verge). Coach parking area will be closed for two days of this period. Traffic management will be in place on the road for some of this time.

10: Health

No update at this time.

11: Invited guests

Emily Bryce (NTS): EB has met Donald Henderson (HC lead on bus infrastructure) to discuss possibilities for bus stops in the glen (for service buses as well as proposed park and ride bus). He will report back with suggestions in due course. DH was also in favour of the proposed reduction in the speed limit, as mentioned above.

Potholes at An Torr have been temporarily fixed – permanent fix due soon.

12: AOCB

- (i) **Museum update:** works began on 1 June. Brian Smith (lead contractor) has offered the CC regular group visits to the works, dates tbc.
- (ii) A small plaque has been ordered for the war memorial gate, to note that it has been restored and thank the contractor and the funders – due to arrive this week, will be installed asap.
- (iii) CC received complaint from resident regarding informal layby on Kinlochleven road, just past Invercoe campsite (inappropriate car parking/campervans overnighing/noise/rubbish/damage/accidents). CC has followed up with Glencoe Heritage Trust (who own the land)

– they are investigating ways of dealing with the issues. SM will respond to the complainant directly.

- (iv) GHT are also looking to replace the ‘no camping’ signs at the green pool, to stop folk taking vehicles through the trees. Working with HC to find the right solution.
- (v) GMT has asked Scottish Water to cut the grass around their area at the lochside.
- (vi) Metal plates have been bought for the tables at the picnic site – to prevent damage from disposable barbecues.
- (vii) Village planters have all been filled with marigolds – HF thanked Arthur and Angela Elder for the plants, and all the volunteers who did the planting.
- (viii) Complaint has been raised with the organisers of the XScotia paragliding race in May – competitors landed in a field containing animals and the gate was left open, leading to escaped stock. HF will follow up with the Grazings Clerk, and with race organisers.
- (ix) MLC asked about rubbish removal at village hall (this is due to be removed by the contractors working at the museum, by special arrangement).
- (x) MLC asked if church grounds could be tidied up. HF will follow up with Reverend Amanda.

13: Date of next meeting:

Proposed recess during school holidays (July/August) – next meeting Tuesday 1st September.