

Loch Tay Association Management Committee Meeting The Reading Rooms, Kenmore – Monday 18th August 2025

Present: Bill Oppenheim (Chair), Wilma Harrison, Billy Duff, Adam Harrison, Robin Menzies, Peter Ely, Willie Linsay, Jon Iddon, Willie Graham and Donald Riddell.

1. **Apologies:** Keith Mitchell, Jenny Robertson and Dirk (Marina) and Mairi McAdam
2. **Minutes of meeting of 19th May 2025**
Propose to accept RM accepted by those present.
3. **Kenmore Kirk Update:**
It has been reported that we have a new Minister for the Parish. The recent survey had a very healthy return result. The research into the sale of the Kirk to the community will continue. A team of people from the Congregation are working hard to overturn the Church of Scotland's decision to sell the Church. Although this is not within the remit of the LTA we will support those involved.
4. **Roads sub-committees: Roads update from JI.** *Following site visit with PKC roads dep. earlier this year, works to confirm and create further passing places on the U177 east of Inchadney, has taken place. It was agreed this work would be completed before major road work takes place on the A827 at Bolfracks later this year. Extensive carriageway repairs have been done close to Rustic Lodge. Drainage works east of Karelia House has been done to prevent flooding after heavy rain. A 30mph limit throughout the whole length of the U177 has been urged on PKC A827. Reduction of speed limit to 30mph requested by local residents through Dalerb. PKC had been made aware of these issues. C451. Issues been covered on a number of occasions. No response as yet from PKC - disappointing. JI spoke to Cllr Duff at recent CC meeting, to gain support. Will keep pressure on Roads Dept.*

AH: SUSTRAMS are happy to come up and discuss. Rob Roy Way: No response as yet
It was suggested that **AH** contact Peter Howell of Upper Tay Paths. **PE** to pass on contact details to **AH**
John Duff continues to be supportive – site meeting to be arranged.

The proposal to make Pier Road "One Way" was discussed.

5. **Environment Sub-committee:**
Discussion took place about an environmental study, perhaps a student project. Area covered was also discussed and should encompass entire loch. How practical is it? Contact universities. SEPA do certain chemical tests, but it appears plant life is suffering. Nature Scot have done similar on Loch Leven but would they do Loch Tay, the catchment may be too big. GM has stated that SEPA do tests at the fish farm. **WH** to send contact email to **AH**. SEPA are not interested in domestic tanks as there are too many. Consented businesses have a permitted discharge. Given our brief, water quality maybe something we can focus on and influence on a practical level.
Before his departure DO'D was going to pass his contacts within SEPA to us, **WH** to send Mairi's contact details to **AH** to see if she has them. The information which has been looked at is not easily understood regarding safe chemical percentages etc.
Summary piece to be done by AH/RM/DR. DR will contact Hydrology/Ecology Departments to get a rough idea of survey costs. Info to be circulated to other committee members.
6. **AOCB:**
 - **Keep Kenmore Tidy. Update from JI** *First litter pick. 7th June. Was very successful. Next to take place after school holidays. Looking at either 6th or 13th September? Last to take place after autumn die-back. Aim for 3 per year. Pupils at KPS designer colourful posters. These have been sited around the village.*
 - **Kenmore & District in Bloom. Update from JI** *Volunteers working on imaginative projects, such as bulb planting, installing hanging baskets and window boxes and rewilding, all with the aim of encouraging pollinators and to enhance our natural environment across all communities in our district.*
 - Subscription: Membership is down with many not having renewed. **WH** to send out reminders.
 - Do we know if the Castle Beat will be open for fishing again?
 - Who runs ELTAC? Would they be willing to contribute in any capacity to the survey?
 - Ellen to be contacted with a view to upgrading the LTA website.

Chair thanked everyone for coming. Meeting closed 7.20pm
Next meeting will be arranged via e-mail.