

DUNADD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in Glassary Primary School on 26th September 2017

Present: Jim Malcolm, Gordon Parker, Barbara Holness, Marion Thomson, Helen Mackie, Charles Gorrie, Paul Holness, Di Roberts

In attendance: Cllr Dougie Philand and Cllr Donnie MacMillan (A&B Council), Danny McGeachy (Police Scotland), Gordon Gray-Stephens, Violet Brown, Peter Creech

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Donna Kennedy and Cllr Sandy Taylor

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest expressed.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 25th July 2017 were approved and signed by the Convener.

4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- 4.1. **A’Cruach Community Fund** – A potential replacement panel member has been identified. CC members were asked to think about anyone else who may be interested in becoming a panel member in order to build up a ‘reserve’ list. Details of the process for awarding of microgrants to be put on website.
- 4.2. **Road Safety Posters** – There has been no response from members of the public to the posters. It is not possible to approach A&B Council regarding parking or speeding problems unless we have ‘evidence’ to back it up.

5. Fish Farm at Dounie

Peter Creech gave an update and said that North Knapdale and Jura CCs have written to A&B Council advising that it is their intention to object to any planning application. It was unanimously agreed that we should do the same on the grounds of its environmental impact, pesticide pollution, and the impact on local industries in the Dunadd area.

6. Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councillors

Proposed amendments to the Scheme were discussed and no objections raised.

7. Development Trust Public Meeting

Di Roberts has organised a meeting to take place on Tuesday, 3rd October at 7.30pm in the Living Stones Centre, Kilmartin. Leaflets have been delivered to households throughout the area. The importance of the community having a Development Trust will be outlined and CC members were asked to publicise the event to as many people as they can.

8. Reports

8.1. Police Report

Various planned shoots; sudden death of female near Kilmartin; cows on the road at East Loch

Awe; child scratched by cockerel near Glassary; road accident involving a car and motorcycle near Ford; male arrested for fighting near Kilmartin; 73-year-old male fractured his ankle at Dunadd Fort and was airlifted to hospital; road rage incident involving a horse; and various firearms licensing enquiries.

8.2. Treasurer's Report

Bank account has now been moved to the Clydesdale Bank. Total of £12969.44 in account - £7486.53 (Ford Innogy), £2982.91 (Dunadd CC), £2500 (microgrants).

8.3. Mid Argyll Partnership Report

None since last meeting.

8.4. Planning Report

Environmental assessment taking place for proposed wind farm at Creag Dhubh. As this development does not impact on our area, no action was considered necessary.

9. Correspondence

Leaflets from A&B Council regarding grants to install energy efficiency measures into homes have been sent to households throughout the area. To qualify, homes must be Council Tax Band A, B or C (or D if household annual income is £20,000 or less). More information available from Home Energy Scotland: www.homeenergyscotland.org or telephone 0808 808 2282.

10. AOCB

- 10.1. Concern was expressed about the CityLink bus service between Glasgow and Lochgilphead. Incidents of people (generally from outside the area) arriving at the bus station to be told that the bus is full and they can't travel, even if they have a reservation! West Coast Motors (who operate the service) say the problem arises through people reserving seats on multiple buses, but only travelling on one. The Convener agreed to look into this further.
- 10.2. A report of damage to the wall that provides seating in the Achnashelloch lay-by. Cllr Philand agreed to follow this up.
(Subsequently reported that this has now been repaired).
- 10.3. The Citizens Advice Bureau in Lochgilphead is under threat of closure due to lack of finance.
- 10.4. There is to be a public drop-in session at Kilmartin Museum on Tuesday 10th October between 3pm and 8pm to give an update on the redevelopment plans. It is hoped that a planning application will be lodged by the end of November.

11. Public Questions

None.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 28th November 2017 in the Living Stones Centre, Kilmartin at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9 pm.