

DUNADD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in Glassary School on Tuesday 28 March 2017

- Present: Colin Ferguson, Gordon Parker, Barbara Holness, Charles Gorrie, Marion Thomson, Helen Mackie
- In attendance: Cllr Donnie MacMillan (A&B Council), PC Charnock & PC McFadyen (Police Scotland), Gordon Gray-Stephens (Kilmartin Museum), Craig Ward (Ford Village Hall Ltd) plus 5 members of the public

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Jim Malcolm, Paul Holness, Donna Kennedy and Cllr Sandy Taylor

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on 31 January 2017 were approved and signed by the Convener.

4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- 4.1 **Proposed Fish Farm at Dounie** – Cllr Philand had approached A&B Council Planning Dept for clarification on the process for an application. Four things needed: A seabed lease from the Crown Estate; planning permission from A&BC (for the kit); a CAR licence from SEPA (pollution control) and a Marine Licence (navigation etc) from Marine Scotland. To date there has been no application for planning permission submitted.

5. Reports

5.1 Police Report

- Three Police reports submitted for dangerous driving and excessive speeds, plus several planned shoots have taken place. It was queried who should be contacted if individuals were planning a shoot – confirmed that they should phone 101.
- Member of public advised that speeding continues to be a problem in Ford and queried whether the Police would take action if the registration details of persistent offenders were sent to them. It was confirmed that details could be forwarded and they would investigate.

5.2 Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer gave an update on transfer of the bank account. Bank of Scotland say they need a letter signed by the 'original' signatories (Ruaridh MacCallum, Iain Malcolm and Colin Ferguson) before this can be done. Is possible to open an account with Clydesdale Bank and transfer funds when problems have been rectified. It was agreed that separate accounts should be opened for each scheme we are involved in (e.g. Ford Innogy, A'Chruach microgrants) as well as a general CC account, and that signatories should always be the Convener, Treasurer and Secretary.

5.3 Mid Argyll Partnership Report

Minutes of meeting held on 8 March 2017 had been distributed and were noted.

The Convener had written expressing our opposition to the "Proposed New Way of Working" and it was noted that other community councils had done the same. It had therefore been decided at the MAP meeting to remain with the status quo.

5.4 **Planning Report**

No applications for consideration by the Community Council. All applications for this area have been put on the website.

5.5 **A'Chruach Community Fund**

The application form for a £5000 A'Chruach grant to pay for a consultant to investigate the setting up of a Trust to take forward larger projects in the Dunadd area was discussed. It was agreed that a sub-committee should be formed to progress this, and Di Roberts agreed to act as the CC representative. It was pointed out that Community Learning Exchange money is available to look at other Trusts and how they work – Gordon Gray-Stephens will send details to Di Roberts.

6. **Correspondence**

- 6.1 **Funds for improving core paths** – Notification from A&B Council regarding the Scottish Government's Improving Public Access Fund which could pay c.100% of the costs, including labour, of improving paths across Argyll & Bute. Applications have to be completed by 31 May. Di Roberts and Craig Ward requested further details and the Secretary agreed to forward these.
- 6.2 **Community Council Handbook** – Handbook being prepared for community councillors to supplement the information in the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils and Best Practice Guide. Link to view the draft handbook had been forwarded to members requesting that any feedback be forwarded to Melissa Stewart.
- 6.3 **Glashan (formerly Kilmichael) Wind Farm** – Notification received from Eon that, following a detailed review of the project, they have decided not to progress with the proposed wind farm.

7. **AOCB**

- 7.1 **Kilmartin Museum Redevelopment** – A survey of suitable locations for car parking has been done and relevant land owners will be approached. The guidance from A&B Council was for 39 places (including 7 staff spaces). It was felt that existing parking facilities in the area could be used as overflow. Community consultation expected to take place end April/beginning of May.
- 7.2 Craig Ward advised that the Ford Village Hall Committee were looking to resurrect plans to build a new village hall in Ford and were looking to secure Aspiring Communities funding. They have been advised that they need to work in partnership with at least one statutory body and he requested if Dunadd CC would fulfil that role. This was agreed in principle, but concern was raised regarding the CC role as it is not permitted to take part in any fundraising activities. Craig agreed to seek clarification on this point.

8. **Public Questions**

There were no public questions.

9. **Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 30 May 2017 in Kilmartin (venue TBA) at 7.30pm

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm.