

DUNADD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in the Living Stones Centre, Kilmartin on 28th November 2017

Present: Jim Malcolm, Barbara Holness, Helen Mackie, Marion Thompson

In attendance: Cllr Sandy Taylor, Danny McGeachy (Police Scotland), Sharon Webb and Andrew Pinkerton (Kilmartin Museum), Graham Love (MACPool), David Bracken (Community Enterprise Steering Group), Violet Brown

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Donnie MacMillan, Cllr Dougie Philand, Donna Kennedy, Di Roberts, Paul Holness and Sue MacLean.

2. Declarations of Interest

Jim expressed an interest as a volunteer at the Kilmartin Museum.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th September 2017 were approved and signed by the Convener.

4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- 4.1. **A’Cruach Community Fund** – The replacement panel member was confirmed as Morag Goodfellow and the next meeting of the panel takes place on Thursday 30th November. Details of the process for awarding of microgrants have been put on the CC website.
- 4.2. **CityLink Bus Service** – Jim wrote to West Coast Motors. They gave assurances that nobody who has a reservation will be refused a seat and they don’t take more people on than the allocated number of seats. Jim will reply saying thank you/we are reassured, but will contact CityLink as they are responsible for sale of tickets.

5. MACPool Presentation

Presentation by Graham Love, Pool Manager. Application has been made for A’Chruach funds to enable the recruitment and retention of young people - creating part-time jobs for people still in full-time education then putting them through their lifeguard qualification in order that they can work at the pool at weekends. This helps to build their employability. Have also restarted the Modern Apprenticeship programme.

Graham outlined recent improvements and advised that an application has been made to the Scottish Land Fund in order to secure more land and buildings on the current site. If successful, future improvements will include refurbishing the changing area and creating a new viewing area. They would also like to incorporate a café, soft play area for children and a multi-use space for floor exercises, yoga and therapies. Hope to make improvements within next 3 years.

Trying to reach everyone in the community with initiatives such as Dip & Dine and assistance for disadvantaged children. Dolphins Swimming Club is doing well.

Cllr Taylor said that MACPool is a testament to the people of Argyll as a community enterprise and commended the work that they do.

6. Kilmartin Museum Redevelopment Project

Update by Sharon Webb and Andrew Pinketon. Currently working through the development phase and hope to begin the delivery phase Spring 2018. Planning application has been lodged for changes to the museum (Consultation Notification has been received by the CC – covered under Item 8.4). No application made yet for overflow parking – has to be dealt with as two separate applications because land is not attached to museum site. Copy of the plans to be made available at museum reception – any queries should be directed to Andrew Pinkerton.

7. Development Trust

Update by David Bracken. Public meeting took place on Tuesday, 3rd October – 36 people attended, 7 of whom volunteered to be on steering group and they have met on two occasions. Decided to set up as Company Limited by Guarantee which would allow them to participate in community right-to-buy. Name of group still to be finalised, but next step is to ask community residents to sign up as members of the company and to elect a Board to move the community projects forward.

8. Reports

8.1. Police Report

Road traffic collision on A816 at Bridgend junction; four incidents of vehicles coming off the road; three speeding offences; three Police speed/stop checks, theft of money from house near Kilmichael Glassary, and theft of apples from an orchard.

8.2. Treasurer's Report

No report.

8.3. Mid Argyll Partnership Report

Minutes of meeting held on 20 November 2017 were circulated. Jim had given his apologies but this was not noted on the minutes. Items highlighted and discussed were:

- **Appointment system at doctors' surgery** – The concerns raised in the minutes were echoed. DCC members to gather views from the public and send to Jim by 12th December.
- **Closure of public toilets** – Concerns that Kilmartin could be on list of closures. Possibility of the community taking it over was discussed, but it was decided to wait for official confirmation from A&B Council if it is to happen.

8.4. Planning Report

Consultation Notification received from A&B Council with regard to the Kilmartin Museum redevelopment. Jim to respond that we have no objections to the plans as they are as they seem to be in line with public consultations, but we would like to see fewer trees along the road front to a) open up view to the museum, and b) reduce the amount of shade to houses on opposite side of the road - a point raised by residents in the early consultation phase. Any views to be passed to Jim by 12th December to allow response to be done.

9. Correspondence

9.1. **Kilmartin School** – Request for funds to send P6 and P7 pupils on trip to Benmore where they take part in outdoor activities. Agreed to award £250 from microgrant fund.

9.2. **Argyll FM** – Request for funds. To suggest they make application to A'Chruach Wind Farm Fund.

9.3. **Emergency Kit Bags** – CC to receive kit bag to be used in the event of local emergency situation. Cllr Taylor will drop off to Jim.

9.4. Noted that Third Sector Grants is now called Supporting Communities Fund. Open to community groups (including community councils and parent councils) – projects can receive up to a maximum of £2,500. Website www.abpb.co.uk.

10. AOCB

10.1. Cllr Taylor encouraged everyone to look at the “Service planning for our future” page on the A&BC website and to take part in the consultation to make their views known about future budget cuts - www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/planningourfuture2017 Link also available on Dunadd CC website Noticeboard page.

11. Public Questions

None.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 30th January 2018 in Ford Village Hall at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.40 pm.