

ARDCHATTAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in North Connel Hall 19th February 2015 at 7.30pm

Present: Margaret Adams (Convenor), Tim McIntyre (Secretary), Geoff Miller (Vice Convenor), Colin Morrison (CC), Gordon Wood (CC), Jill Bowis (CC), Lachie Strathern (CC), John Campbell (CC); Cllr Iain A MacDonald; Rhona Dougall (Argyll Voluntary Action); Kieron Green; and no members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** Anne Hilditch (Treasurer), Sian Griffiths (CC), Robin Dodman (CC), Ronnie Campbell (CC); Cllrs Duncan MacIntyre, Elaine Robertson and Iain S MacLean; PC Stuart Johnston
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None
3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** held on 15th January were approved.
4. **Police Report:** PC Johnston provided a report detailing incidents etc. since the last meeting, including a note of the problems with the lights at Connel Bridge, which are the responsibility of BEAR. Police incidents noted within the period were all of a minor/routine nature.
5. **Argyll Voluntary Action** – Rhona Dougall outlined the process of integrating health & social care. AVA works with the ‘Third Sector’, i.e. voluntary groups, which have a role to play in the integration process. The points emphasised were:
 - The objective is not a ‘one size fits all’ system – different areas will adopt procedures to suit local circumstances, with the aim also to give patients more control over their own individual care services.
 - Timeline: A ‘Shadow’ Integration Board was set up in late 2014, and this is due to become the official decision-making board in April 2015.
 - The board comprises members representing the NHS, Argyll & Bute Council and AVA, and is chaired by Cllr Dougie Philand.
 - In the short term, an Integration Scheme is submitted by each area – this takes the form of a fairly standard document. However, work also begins now on three-year strategic plans, with consultation locally.
 - The Integration process is primarily a new way of organising and administering existing services, and service users should not notice much change in accessing & using services, other than better streamlining.
 - There is still some uncertainty over the timescale for full implementation of the new system. April 2016 is the target date for end of transitional period (Cllr MacDonald).
 - Prevention - and supporting people in the community - are the big strengths of the third sector, so it makes sense for them to become more involved in a holistic approach to service provision.

The Convenor thanked Rhona for her time, and she left the meeting.

6. **Matters Arising:-**

Transport Scotland meeting: Margaret, Geoff, Colin & Ronnie met Transport Scotland representatives Stephen Davies & Sean Clemie on 28th January to discuss road safety concerns around the A828/Moss Road junction. Also in attendance were Mr Weir from Ledaig Caravan Site and Mr Kill, whose house is adjacent to the junction, and who provided some helpful statistics of accidents - including the many minor incidents which do not get picked up by the Police. Subsequently, Stephen Davies has emailed to say that BEAR Scotland will carry out an assessment to investigate what engineering improvements could be made to reduce the accident risk at the location. This will be completed by the end of May. TS will also pass on community concerns about the junction design and alignment to Argyll & Bute Council.

Matters Arising – continued...

Airport Consultative Committee meeting: ACC representatives attended the meeting, at which presentations were given on the history & future directions of the airport and its services, and also on the proposed Lorn Arc developments which include a Business Park adjacent to the airport. Minutes of the meeting are to follow.

7. **Bonawe Quarry Liason meeting:** meeting was held on 12th Feb at Breedon's offices at Dunbeg. Minutes to follow.
8. **Defibrillator:** Information being gathered on costs, training, practicalities etc. - ongoing. Kilninver & Kilmelford are also looking into this.
9. **Community Council meeting with Sustrans:** Margaret has received an email today (19th) to confirm date of Tues 23rd April 11am. Venue TBC.
10. **Treasurer's Report:- no change since last meeting;-**

Overall balance as at 15th January 2015			3,044.15
General Fund	2,883.47		
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Village Improvement Scheme Account	160.68		
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11. Secretary's Report - correspondence received:-

- 09/12/14: Community Action Plan training event
- 09/12/14: Information on Next Generation Broadband
- 09/12/14: SG Consultation on Land Reform proposals
- 15/12/14: Recruitment of JPs in North Strathclyde Sheriffdom
- 15/12/14: Third Sector grants available from A & BC
- 18/12/14: Festive Roundup CC news from Melissa Stewart, with by-election results summary
- 14/01/15: Police Scotland proposal to merge local divisions
- 15/01/15: Social Media training for Community Councils - A & BC
- 13/02/15: Report on meeting with TS from Stephen Davies

12. Health Matters: MedCat meeting on 3rd March. PPF meeting on 2nd March

13. Planning:-

A letter has been received regarding the recent application for houses at The Haven, which is now being considered by the Local Review Body.

Concern expressed about where plans will be displayed if the Post Offices are lost. Iain to ask if CC can be issued with hard copies of plans where required.

14. AOB: John, Ronnie & Margaret met with SAMS researchers, on behalf of Crown Estate, to ask about experience of the process dealing with aquaculture planning applications. CC members described the experience of dealing with Dawnfresh applications.

Margaret has received an invitation to a presentation & tour of HMS Blyth by the Royal Navy. Date 15th March. John Campbell will attend with Margaret.

Geoff - drop in session about Community Resilience on 20th Feb in Oban. New contact needed for Ardchattan School.

Jim Smith has confirmed (email 12th Feb) that he will propose to the OLI committee that the 20mph limit be extended across the bridge on the Tralee Road.

Tub falling apart at Dun-na-Mara road end, Lachie to sort out.

15. Next Meeting: 26th March, Barcaldine PS TBC.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:55pm

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