

ARDCHATTAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in Ardchattan PS 30th April 2015 following AGM at 7.30pm

Present: Margaret Adams (Convenor), Tim McIntyre (Secretary), Sian Griffiths (CC), Jill Bowis (CC), Lachie Strathern (CC); Cllrs Elaine Robertson and Iain A MacDonald; Linda Houston (Argyll & Bute Council); and 8 members of the public.

- 1. Apologies:** Geoff Miller (Vice Convenor), Anne Hilditch (Treasurer), Robin Dodman (CC), Ronnie Campbell (CC), Colin Morrison (CC), Gordon Wood (CC), John Campbell (CC); Cllrs Duncan MacIntyre and Iain S MacLean; PC Stuart Johnston
 - 2. Declarations of Interest:** none
 - 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting:** held on 26th March, were approved.
 - 4. Police Report:** none
- Items 5 & 6 were taken out of order:-*
- 6. Matters Arising: Lochnell School:** re. new drop-off arrangements at the school, a new system for drop-off and road crossing has been agreed between the school and parents, who will use the hall car park and then cross with children at the marked crossing point. Elaine has spoken to the Safe Routes to School officer, who will look at the link path between car park and pavement. It was suggested that a fence across the grassed 'island' would help to encourage parents to use the crossing point. The Parent Council will discuss this with the Safe Routes officer & School. Elaine to confirm to Jim Smith that the CC would like the 20mph limit extended across the bridge on the Tralee Road, following further reports of 'near misses'. Parent representative suggested the Council could adopt the village hall car park & improve its condition - Elaine thought this was unlikely but would contact the Council's property department to request some surface planings for the car park.
 - 5. Lorn Arc TIF proposals – Connel Airport (Linda Houston):** Linda gave a presentation outlining the Council's plans for the proposed business park on land to the south of the airport terminal building. The Council will construct an access road from the airport roundabout and set out development plots and a planning framework for these, to include provision for air service businesses, general industrial/service businesses and community use. The emphasis is on attracting larger businesses as the funding for the project depends upon generating additional business rates from the site. Further details of 'masterplan' etc. to follow in due course.
 - 7. Core Path Update, Sustrans meeting with CCs:** Due to the SG reporter's decision, the Core Path proposed through North Ledaig Caravan Park will not now be approved. Sustrans to meet with CCs to discuss this and progress on other sections of the cycle path on 11th May
 - 8. CC Viewpoint maintenance:** Lewis Morrison has kindly offered to carry out occasional garden maintenance at the CC viewpoint and tubs – grass cutting & shrub trimming, etc. The Community Council has accepted this offer and we understand that Argyll & Bute Council's third party insurance cover for CCs will extend to these operations.
 - 9. Treasurer's Report:- no change since last meeting**

Overall balance as at 26th March 2015		3,024.15
General Fund	2,863.47	
Village Improvement Scheme Account	160.68	

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- 10. Secretary's Report - correspondence received: AGM** – no CC correspondence since last meeting other than general information circulars
- 11. Health Matters:** no update

- 12. Planning:** with reference to the planning application at Moorcroft, discussed at the last meeting, it was noted that the Council has approved the application with conditions, one of which is that an engineer's report must be obtained on the embankment and access road construction before work starts.
- 13. AOB: Bonawe Water Supply** – Residents reported problems with the water supply to Kenmore Cottages & other local properties. ACHA have been carrying out maintenance and upgrade work on the system and there have been a number of unscheduled supply cuts and some problems with low pressure and contamination of the water causing filters to block. CC to write to ACHA to request explanation of these problems and update on when the supply will return to normal.
- Litter problems in Bonawe:** Sian reported that littering problems are continuing in Bonawe, and a local resident has posted photos online of piles of rubbish left behind by visitors camping/fishing at various locations. Elaine to follow up provision of a bin by the Quarry again – Sian will provide a photo/map ref. of suitable location. Suggestion that we erect signs at trouble spots asking people to take their rubbish away or dispose of it responsibly.
- Planning Applications – copies of plans:** Iain has been in contact with Planning re: display of plans once the post office closes – contact is Chris Easson. Jill has offered the Parish Archive as a display location.
- Gate at Ford Spence Court:** Tim/Elaine/Margaret to meet with Anne Ferguson, FSC warden, to discuss improving the gate to the cycle path to make it easier for disabled residents to open.
- Dog fouling:** ongoing problems with this on the cycle path in Benderloch. Elaine will arrange supply of 'bag it and bin it' posters from the Council.
- Bonawe road verges:** are breaking up in places between Inveresragan and Blarcreen – Breedons to be chased up re this and also lack of minutes from last liason meeting on 12th Feb.
- Community Planning Group:** Margaret has now been elected Convenor of the Oban, Lorn & Isles CPG – next meeting is at 6pm 21st May in Corran Halls
- 14. Date of next meeting:** Thursday 18th June 7.30pm, Victory Hall

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:50pm

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