

# ARDCHATTAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in Barcaldine Primary School 18<sup>th</sup> August 2016 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Margaret Adams (Convenor), Geoffrey Miller (Vice-convenor), Tim McIntyre (Secretary), Anne Hilditch (Treasurer) Robin Dodman (CC), Lachie Strathern (CC), Gordon Wood (CC), John Campbell (CC), Jill Bowis (CC), Tony Dalgaty (CC), Ashley Stones (CC); Councillors Elaine Robertson, Kieron Green, Iain S MacLean; and 2 members of the public

- 1. Apologies:** Colin Morrison (CC), Ronnie Campbell (CC), Sian Griffiths (CC), Councillor Julie McKenzie
- 2. Declarations of interest:** None
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting:** held on 30<sup>th</sup> June, were approved.
- 4. Police report: none.** Concern has been raised about the road accident rate between Barcaldine and Creagan Bridge.
- 5. Matters arising: Village Hall Car Park:** No update;
- 6. TIF Oban Airport Update** – Ronnie had been approached by some local businesses who had been interested in the new estate at the airport, but had found that there was inconsistency in the criteria being quoted. Fergus Murray (A & B Council) had expressed a willingness to meet with these businesses and the CC, but the business owners did not want to discuss their concerns at a public meeting. Cllr MacLean suggested that a possible meeting between Mr Murray & CC be held off for now, because there are ongoing processes to develop the ‘master plan’ for the site. Cllrs Green & Robertson affirmed that the Council is fully committed to the site and to delivering for the local economy. Lachie emphasised the urgent need to get the process sped up so that space is made available for local businesses who are crying out for space. Jill suggested holding a business workshop facilitated by the CC, to discuss the various issues arising within our community council area. Cllr. MacLean suggested this could be done through a ‘Charette’.
- 7. Scottish Sea Farms, development at MRC Barcaldine** – John Rea from SSF has been in touch and offered to attend the meeting, but it was suggested that we await the open day on 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2-8pm and then discuss any issues raised by the open day afterwards. There is considerable concern about displacement of small businesses on the site which have little alternative provision of premises.
- 8. Tralee Road link path/** – Argyll & Bute Council have agreed to ‘adopt’ the path once constructed, which will give cover for insurance and maintenance. Sustrans have agreed to provide funding, but construction must be completed by March 2017. Neighbouring landowners have provisionally agreed, subject to right of vehicular access across the path as at present. Bill Dundas (Lochnell parent council) was to meet with the owners of the land for the path itself, and an update from this is awaited. Once all landowner agreements have been finalised, Jonathan Welch (A & B Council) will submit a planning application.
- 9. Community Council by-election** – Argyll & Bute Council have offered to hold a by-election to fill vacant seats on ACC. Agreed to go ahead with this.
- 10. Treasurer’s report:-**

**Balance as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

**3,048.97**

*less: Scotways annual subscription; (20.00)*  
*hire of N Connel Hall for meeting. (20.00)*

**Closing balance as at 18<sup>th</sup> August 2016**

**3,008.97**

- 11. Secretary's report** – correspondence since last meeting:-  
04/07: Letter of representation about Boundary Review  
05/07: Letter to roads re. Moss Road verges  
18/07: Large-format maps of development zones received  
26/07: CC training workshops notification (email)  
05/08: Expansion of cages @ Etive 3 - planning consultation (email)  
18/08: Community Transport Workshop (H & SC) 31st Aug. (email)
- 12. Health matters – Defibrillators** – Tony is hopeful of obtaining permission from BT to mount the defibrillator on the exchange building in Bonawe, and funding is now in place for the first unit at least, and possibly two. It was agreed to proceed with getting the Bonawe unit installed as soon as possible, and to continue looking at options for siting further units elsewhere in the community. **Robin** – has minutes from a meeting of Argyll & Bute Health & Social Care Partnership, 1<sup>st</sup> August, and will forward to CC members shortly.
- 13. Planning** – Dawnfresh – application to increase cage sizes at Etive 3 – CC agreed to raise concerns re: pollution of the loch.
- 14. AOB – Alan Anderson:** Speed at Rhugarbh bend has increased significantly since the rock face was cut away for the cycle path. CC to contact PC Stuart Johnston in first instance. **Lachie:** Caravan went off the road on to the cycle track north of Benderloch recently, should there be a crash barrier? Also at Rhugarbh corner. CC to write to Sustrans. Lachie has received an advance copy of proposals for the Sustrans path section between Benderloch & Connel, which is expected to be sent to CCs shortly. Lack of late night bus service to Benderloch (last is c. 9pm) for residents and visitors returning from late evening events in town. **Margaret:** Transport Scotland have advised that they are considering changing the Zebra crossing in Benderloch centre to a traffic light-controlled crossing (Pelican).
- 15. Next meeting:** 29<sup>th</sup> September, Ardchattan Primary School 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:40pm

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