

# ARDCHATTAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held in Barcaldine Primary School 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Margaret Adams (Convenor), Geoffrey Miller (Vice-convenor), Tim McIntyre (Secretary), Sian Griffiths (CC), Colin Morrison (CC), Tony Dalgaty (CC), Ashley Stones (CC), Lachie Strathern (CC), Robin Dodman (CC); Cllrs Elaine Robertson, Kieron Green; 1 member of the public, Campbell Cameron.

- 1. Apologies:** Anne Hilditch (Treasurer), Ronnie Campbell (CC), Breege Smyth (CC), Jill Bowis (CC); PC Stuart Johnstone; Cllr Andrew Vennard
- 2. Declarations of interest:** none
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting:** held in Ardchattan Primary School on 3<sup>rd</sup> October were approved
- 4. Police report:** PC Johnstone was unable to attend due to shift patterns but kindly provided a report detailing recent minor/routine issues. Margaret mentioned that PC Johnstone had said in an email that crash investigation team has to travel from Glasgow in the event of a serious accident, which was one reason for the lengthy road closures following such accidents – Margaret had been told at a Community Planning Group meeting that there was now an Argyll-based team. Need to clarify this with Police Scotland at next CPG meeting.
- 5. Matters Arising: Sustrans Cycle Track Ledaig:** No update at this time – discussions ongoing between parties. **Tralee Link Path:** The path is now open and generating positive comments in the community. The CC records its thanks to all concerned with the project, which has been a great example of all working together. Speeding on Tralee Road a continuing problem, need to follow up earlier request for a Safety Review. **Bus Service** – discussed again possibility of extending one of the later (e.g. 1740) buses to Barcaldine or Appin, and a later bus (10.35?) to Benderloch – CC to write to West Coast Motors. **Ardchattan Primary School:** not on Asset List at present as school is officially still open (though mothballed). Kieron has been in touch with Head of Education to ask that the process be expedited. CC to write to Anne Paterson to add our voice. cc Yvonne McNeilly
- 6. Review of Scheme for Community Councils:** The revised Scheme goes to Council meeting in the near future, following which a date will be set for the next CC elections in Spring 2018.
- 7. Formation of Community Trust:** It was agreed to email Laura MacDonald & Breege to arrange a meeting in the near future to explore the possibility of developing a Community Plan and setting up a Community Trust to progress it.
- 8. Treasurer's report:-**

**Overall opening balance as at 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017** **2,340.98**

<b>Opening bal. General Fund</b>	<b>2,340.98</b>
<i>less: Donation to Club na Càirdean</i>	<i>(200.00)</i>

**Overall closing balance as at 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017** **2,140.98**

- 9. Secretary's report** – Correspondence since last meeting:-  
04/10: Connel CC forwarded notice of work on Connel Bridge from 4<sup>th</sup> Dec.  
16/10: Local Development Plan Main Issues Report – respond by 11<sup>th</sup> Dec  
08/11: BEAR – disused slipway at South Creagan – proposed fencing-off  
16/11: Sustainable Marine Energy – installation of turbine to begin around 24<sup>th</sup> Nov
- 10. Health matters: Defibrillator:** the second defibrillator is ready for installation and discussions to take place soon with ACHA on possible location on the outside of the Ford Spence Court building. **Robin:** will be attending MEDCAT meeting on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov.

11. **Planning:** New Local Development Plan draft Main Issues Report has been published – comments to be submitted by 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. Clarity needed over extent of ‘growth area’ and whether it includes Benderloch
12. **AOB:** CC notes appreciation for the work carried out by the ‘Road Man’ who has been carrying out a huge amount of voluntary maintenance work on the trunk road verges in the local area. **Campbell:** raised the very poor state of the road at the Black Castle and by Kintaline Mill and Tralee Holiday Park – councillors will follow up. **Lachie:** raised again the suggestion of safety barriers at side of cycle track between Benderloch & Mill Farm, following further incidents where vehicles have left the trunk road and ended up on or across the cycle path. **Turning Circle** – has not been re-surfaced as promised.
13. **Next meeting:** Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018 7.30pm North Connel Hall

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:00pm  
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