

Minutes of ARDCHATTAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL Meeting held in Victory Hall, 1st March 2018 at 7.30pm

Present: Margaret Adams (Convener), Tony Dalgaty (CC, minutes), John Campbell (CC), Jill Bowis (CC), Lachie Strathern (CC), Sian Griffiths (CC), Ronnie Campbell (CC), Ashley Stones (CC), Cllrs Elaine Robertson, Kieron Green & Andrew Vennard, a large turnout of members of the public.

1. Apologies: PC Stuart Johnstone; Tim McIntyre, Anne Hilditch, Robin Dodman, Julie Mackenzie, Breege Smyth, Sustrans.
2. Declarations of interest: none
3. Minutes of previous meeting: held in North Connel Hall 18th January 2018 were approved.
4. Police report: none
5. Matters Arising not on agenda, none.
6. Sustrans NCN78 path update, Summary report provided by Sustrans, (see separate document) detailed planning still required however route generally following existing path through caravan site. Positive response from all at the meeting. Sustrans hoping to attend the next meeting.
7. Community Council Elections 26th April, 16 places are available on the council, at present 13 existing members, new applications can be made between the 6th and 22nd March. All current members wishing to continue must complete the nomination process to stand for re-election.
8. Treasurer's report, limited report as treasurer not at meeting.
9. Secretary's report, limited report as secretary not at meeting, however confirm Community engagement meeting at Bonawe school on the 14th March. Breege to run this meeting to consider future of school building and formation of a local management trust.
Also Breege has applied for funds to allow further Community engagement meetings to take place.
10. Health matters, Tony confirmed second defibrillator now installed at Ford Spence Court, Benderloch. Also, third unit has now been ordered from Welmedical. Tony will also submit funding application to Scottish Sea farms for a contribution towards the unit to be installed at Barcaldine.
11. Planning, two applications, no comments.

12. AOB,

Roads, Cllr Elaine Robertson confirmed timetable to be issued indicating planned works over the coming (financial) year. Roads budget has been increased to £3.3M.

Lochnell school crossing, DJ Barr informed meeting that the speed survey completed last September has not been made public, agreed Secretary would write to Transport Scotland questioning delay in this matter.

Lollipop person at the school crossing was again mentioned (Doreen Henderson) and considered a major factor in providing a safe crossing for children. As previously mentioned by councillors Elaine Robertson and Kieron Green there is currently no funding to provide this at the school. There were several other comments made regarding improvements to this crossing point and it was agreed the Secretary should invite a representative from Transport Scotland to the next meeting.

Lighting at the main road junction into Lora view, can this be improved, again another matter for Transport Scotland.

Speeding issues around the Scottish Sea farms access road, Tim to discuss issue locally.

13. Date of next meeting, 19/4/2018 at North Connel

North Connel chosen rather than Bonawe as Sustrans are expected to attend.