



COMHAIRLE COIMHEARSNACHD CILL MHÀLAIDH KILMALLIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held 19:15 on Monday 24 May 2021 by remote video link

Present

Kilmallie Community Council

John Hutchison (Chair)

Russell Leaper

Gwyn Moses

Ross McCartney (Police Scotland)

3 members of the public

Highland Council

Cllr Allan Henderson

Apologies

Colin Wood

Gwyn Moses

Carol Anne Campbell

Ann Moffat

Cllr Ben Thompson

1. Approval of previous minutes

Only three members of the CC were present which is not a quorum. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of 26 April was postponed until the next meeting.

2. Declarations of interest

None

3. Police update

Ross McCartney noted that four speeding tickets had been issued in the last month at Banavie Primary School. An operator has now been found for the safety camera van and it is expected that this will be operational soon. Ross will ask for the A830 to be on the patrol plan including out to Kinlocheil.

Ross had also sourced stickers for wheelie bins with 30mph signs. These will be distributed when permission has been given. It was noted that this was an innovative way to highlight the speed limit. It was also suggested that similar 20mph stickers would be very useful in the new 20mph zones to remind drivers of the new limits.

JH noted that Kilmallie CC had not had anything to do with the unofficial 30mph signs which had appeared in Corpach.

Police had also investigated people on the roof of the Community Centre and possible vandalism. One serious assault had been reported and those involved were known to the police.

4. Treasurer's report

GM noted that the current balance was around £5500 but much of this was COVID related grants. JH reported that around 30 letters had gone out to local businesses to request financial support for the newsletter. These had been directed at businesses who had been able to continue to operate during the pandemic.

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5. Annat industrial area. Outcome of planning application for extended operating hours at Corpach Port and ongoing issues with noise and dust.

KCC had been informed that permission had been granted for Sunday berthing of vessels but the details of all the conditions and the report of the handling of the planning application were not yet available. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

A truck had been observed travelling between Alvance and Corpach with carbon dust billowing out, causing considerable pollution. Christine MacColl (Boyd Brothers) noted that the problem with that particular truck had now been sorted.

Ardgour CC had approached the CEO of BSW to discuss the various noise sources from the plant. The improved communication had resulted in experiments to try to identify the most problematic noise sources by turning of different machinery in turn.

6. Blàr Mòr developments and Belford project group update

JH reported that he and Patricia Jordan (FWITCC) were now part of the Project team tasked with coming up with a specification and procurement plan for the new hospital. The Team will meet monthly until the hospital is open.

7. Linnhe Community Alliance (LCA) meeting

The LCA had met on May 10 to discuss strategic issues that affect several Community Councils. Topics discussed included

- New measures for priority for southbound traffic on the A861 if the A82 is blocked
- A new company 'Highland Parcels' offering a virtual delivery address in Glasgow to avoid extra Highland delivery charges
- Options for a cycle route from Onich to Fort William
- Lack of facilities for young people in the wider Fort William area

8. Covid support group

CAC noted that the group will continue its work and particularly the Community Cupboard and Fridge. KCC thanked the Scouts for allowing the Community Cupboard to operate from the Scout hut

9. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 28 June 2021 at 19:15 by remote video link. Please contact secretary@kilmallie.org.uk to join the meeting.