

South Cowal Community Council

Meeting held on 12 February 2020 at 1930 in Innellan Village Hall

Present

Joyce McEwan, Lisa Marle, Alistair Lennie, Alan Stewart, Kyle Armstrong, Dot Braham, Liz Seabrook, Eleanor Stevenson, Michael Breslin

In Attendance

Cllr Anderson, Hugh O'Neill (Roads Dept), Claire Hendry (Police)

Apologies

Cllrs Forrest and Good, Linda Payne, Gill Judd, Martin Anstess

Declarations of interest

None

Police Report

17 incidents including a speeding complaint, 2 crimes (1 of note)

Speeding and related issues: Hugh O'Neil, Network and Performance Standards Manager of Roads Dept

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£11m capital spend next year on roads, of which £2m on surface dressing. There was an extended discussion about speeding in the area which was very useful. Hugh will discuss some of the speed readings with Paul Farrell.

A number of other issues were discussed including Sandy Beach, gulley cleaning, dumping of rubble at Toward Lighthouse, white lining works, replacement grit bins, dropped kerbs and car park signs, with Hugh explaining progress on each of these.

Minutes of last meeting held on 8 January 2020 (attached)

Approved by Alistair and seconded by Joyce

Matters arising not on the agenda

- Money has not been received yet for Christmas lights.
- Burning of plastics by building contractors at Toward was raised.
- New lintel at Star Garage is mostly complete.

Climate Emergency Training for Community Councils

Deferred to the caucus meeting.

Dunoon Project

This was endorsed by SCCC.

Home Energy Efficiency Programme: minuting that we have publicised this.

This has been publicised

Treasurer's Report

Joyce reported that the balance was £7,149 including £2,732 from hydro, £3,150 for trim trail leaving balance of £1,267.

Planning Matters

Application for data storage at Killellan Farm, application for new house at top of Royal Brae has been rejected, wind farm at Ardtaraig has been rejected but under appeal.

Innellan Pier Car Park (standing item)

Repairs will be carried out in the coming financial year.

War Memorial (standing item)

A meeting is scheduled for later in February with Tom Murphy.

Year of Coasts and Water (deferred from January meeting)

No action taken.

VE Day

Margaret Hubbard plans a talk about this. Chair proposed that on 15 May a meal is held for the older people in the community (over 75s), helped by the village hall committee

and Inspiring Innellan. Innellan PS would like to be involved. Memorabilia, similar to that held by Dot, would be asked for via a newspaper article.

Ferries

A motion was discussed and agreed, as follows:

South Cowal Community Council supports the decision of the Scottish Government that the Dunoon to Gourock town centre to town centre route should be passenger only. The community council also recognises the continuing economic impact of the unreliability of the service and strongly urges the Scottish Government to make a decision very quickly on ordering replacement vessels. The community council also urges CMAL, Transport Scotland, Argyll & Bute Council and CalMac to work cooperatively, and quickly, to ensure the right infrastructure is built for new vessels at both Gourock and Dunoon.

Community Council midterm elections

Forms will be sent out to the co-opted members when they appear. New members for the other vacancies are still required.

Burnamakiman Hydro Applications

Meeting to consider the applications will be on Monday 24 February at 1900 in Innellan Village Hall. Eleanor to send Michael contact details for external people to vet applications and he will email out all the applications.

AOCB

It was agreed to pay the £50 entry fee for Inspiring Innellan to Beautiful Scotland