



COMHAIRLE COIMHEARSNACHD CILL MHÁLAIDH
KILMALLIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held at 19:15 on Wednesday 18th March 2015 at Kilmallie Community Centre

1 Present

Mandy Ketchin (Chair)
Jan MacLugash (Treasurer)
Christine Hutchison
Kshama Wilmington
Geoff Heathcote
Carol Anne Campbell

Cllr Allan Henderson
PC Daniel Jack
Sue Chadney (CAB) (part mtg)

Members of the Public

Maggie MacKenzie
Richard Bracken (part mtg)

Apologies

Russell Leaper
Cllr Ben Thompson
Cllr Bill Clark
PS Andrew Bilton

2 Declarations of interest

None

3 Approval of minutes of last meeting

Corrections 1 - Disability Action group should be Disability Access Panel.
2 - The state of the B8004 had been highlighted by Kshama Wilmington, particularly the number of potholes and the speed of traffic, given there is no pavement for a large length of the village.

The minutes were then approved, proposed by Jan MacLugash, seconded by Kshama Wilmington.

4 Co-option of two new members Geoff Heathcote and Carol Anne Campbell

This was proposed by Kshama Wilmington and seconded by Jan MacLugash. The members of KCC voted unanimously in favour. Mandy Ketchin then welcomed Carol Anne and Geoff as members of Kilmallie Community Council. A flyer informing about co-opted members will be included with newsletter.

5 Presentation by Sue Chadney on the work of The Citizens Advice Bureau.

Sue Chadney explained the history of the CAB - formed in 1939 - 75 years ago. The Lochaber Citizens Advice Bureau is run by a Management Committee, which supports the volunteers who do a great deal of the work with those members of the community who ask for help. Lochaber CAB is a locally run charity and their Mission Statement is: 'To empower the Lochaber Community by providing high quality advice, information and representation service within the aims and principles of the Citizens Advice Service'

CAB is presently looking for new volunteers to train as Advisors – training takes 4 - 6 months. Contact Lochaber CAB, Dudley Road, Fort William, PH33 6JB. Tel: 01397 705311. Opening times: 10am - 2pm Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri and 3pm - 6pm Wednesday.

Mandy Ketchin thanked Sue for giving her presentation and Sue then left the meeting.

6 Presentation by Bike Club on proposals for BMX/pump track

Deferred as the group are not yet ready to give their presentation.

7 Extra agenda item: The Liberty Grove project

Richard Bracken from Room 13 attended to inform us that this arts project by Room 13 has been shortlisted for a Creative Places funding award from Creative Scotland. The project is one of three competing for a £125,000 award, with the winner being announced on 10 June. If it wins, the project would be an accolade for the whole Fort William area and would have opportunities for involvement for Kilmallie. The project will explore ideas of human and environmental liberty, through the planting of trees, integration of poems with seating areas, and interpretation. The project is inspired by the historic tradition of planting Liberty Trees.

KCC welcomed the project, wished the team good luck in the competition and agreed to write a letter of support.

- 8 Treasurer's report**
Treasurer's report was presented. Current monies available are £2,349.35
- 9 Police update.**
PC Daniel Jack reported he was standing in for PS Andy Bilton who was unable to attend. He said that there were no issues to report but did explain that in the year 2013/14 there had been a 16% decrease in crime in this area. He said he would follow up any update on the road issues AB was passing on to the meeting with Mr Bob Mitchell of Transport Scotland. He was asked what was happening to trailers that had been seen parked on the road near the Police Station. We were told that as it is owned by the developer nothing can be done.
- 10 Questions and contributions from the public**
None
- 11 Matters arising from previous meeting**
- 11.1** Donation to school - cheque £100 presented to school - photo in March Newsletter - probable meeting for a 'Junior Council' with school pupils.
- 11.2** West Highland Local Development Plan Review process - deadline 27th March - KCC agreed to register their interest in preparing a community plan.
Submission of a 'community charter' (as adopted by Falkirk area CCs) is for consideration.
- 11.3** Banavie War Memorial - no update.
- 11.4** Community Fund - possibly using secretary's honorarium from previous years.
- 11.5** Pavement outside Co-op - main pothole repaired.
- 11.6** Litter at Co-op - Geoff reported that it has improved; will keep this item open.
- 11.7** Road issues - potholes at school crossing have been repaired, 20mph signs at LHS will be replaced in new financial year, 40mph signs on the Blar in situ but still wrapped up. ?Unveiling soon?
- 11.8** Hustings - for General Election will be held in Caol Community Centre on Tuesday 14th April at 6:30pm for 7pm. This event is being hosted by The Partnership of Fort William Area Community Councils.
- 11.9** Mount Alexander Dump - carried forward.
- 11.10** Flood Risk Management Plan consultation. Members to bring comments to next meeting.
- 12 Licensing consultation**
Deadline is 17th April concerning extended hours for special events in Kilmallie. Members to bring comments to next meeting.
- 13 Brown bins and food waste bins**
The more rural areas of Kilmallie do not have brown bins and they will not be rolled out in those areas. Food waste bins are used in Inverness as part of a pilot scheme, not yet in wider use.
- 14 Proposal for Junior Community Council**
KCC to contact school to arrange suitable date and time.
- 15 Any other business**
- 15.1** The site for a new hospital is still available on the Blar with helipad nearby.

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- 15.2 Canal footpath - regrading - keep an eye on the standard.
- 15.3 Canal stakeholders group – we have heard nothing more since it was mooted by Scottish Canals last year. KCC to follow up.
- 15.4 Scottish Rural Action AGM Report and Scottish Rural Parliament Brochure tabled.
- 15.5 LSA planning consent approved for indoor sports facility at Camaghael.
- 15.6 Fort William Town Centre Action Plan consultation, deadline 15 May, will have relevance to Kilmallie community.

16 Date and venue of next meeting

Wednesday, 15th April 2015 at 7:15pm at Kilmallie Community Centre.
(Corpach Marina attending with a presentation)

Distribution

By email to all KCC members, Cllr Bill Clark, Cllr Allan Henderson, Cllr Ben Thompson, Elizabeth Toal (HC), Lochaber Archive Centre, Maureen McColl (ALCC), PS Andy Bilton. Caol CC, I&TCC, FWCC.

Paper copy to Corpach, Banavie notice boards

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Treasurer Report - February 2015 – March 2015 Meeting

The balance in the bank account at the start of 2014_2015 financial year was	3482.43
The balance in cash at the start of 2014_2015 financial year was	0.00
Total	£3482.43

Cheques written last year to be processed through the bank this year	28.35
	<u>£3454.08</u>

As at the 28th February 2015 we have received into the account this financial year

Newsletter sponsorship	680.00	
Highland Council (Admin Grant 2014/2015)	1384.13	
Communication Grant from LHA	180.00	
	<u>2244.13</u>	£5698.21

Amounts paid out this financial year to the 28th february 2015

Kilmallie Hall Hire	138.00	
V.A.L. Membership	15.00	
ALCC membership	0.00	
V.A.L. Franking (newsletter)	98.00	
Information Commissioner (Data Protection)	35.00	
Annual web hosting	234.00	
AllRound Signs - KCC Banner	27.00	
Member Expenses – Road Safety posters	76.56	
Colour photocopying for LSA newsletter insert	129.60	
Highland Council (insurance charge)	88.13	
Member expenses (Rural Parliament)	30.00	
Printsmith – December Newsletter printing	335.00	
	<u>£1206.29</u>	

Balance on book as at 28th February 2015		<u>£4491.92</u>
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Balance at Bank as at 28/02/15	4572.83
Balance at Cash as at 28/02/15	0.00

Balance Bank and Cash as at 28th February 2015	£4572.83
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Cheques/DD's not yet processed

0054 – Member expenses – Suggestion Box part	4.35	
0058 – Member expenses – Laminate Posters	76.56	
	<u>£80.91</u>	£4491.92

Monies committed yet to be processed out

Website (reserved monies)	202.00	
Newsletter (reserved monies)	1739.57	
Communication campaign flyer/website grant (reserved monies)	180.00	
January hall hire	21.00	
	<u>£2142.57</u>	£2349.35

Monies received not yet banked

	<u>0.00</u>	
Monies available		£2349.35

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