

Minutes of Meeting held at 20:15 on Monday 26 June 2017, at Kilmallie Community Centre

**Present**

**Kilmallie Community Council**

- Carol Anne Campbell
- Mandy Ketchin
- Russell Leaper
- Jan MacLugash
- Jim Ramsay
- Cllr. Allan Henderson
- Andy Bilton (Police Scotland)

**Apologies**

- Christine Hutchison
- Cllr. Ben Thompson
- Cllr. Billy MacLachlan

**1. Approval of previous minutes**

The minutes of the meeting on 22 May 2017 were approved.

**2. Treasurer's report**

The total balance available on 01/06/2017 was £2308.89. It was agreed to make an application to the Lochaber Housing Association community fund to help support the newsletter (**Action:** CAC to submit application)

**3. Police Update**

Andy Bilton noted that there had been complaints about coaches parking to drop off passengers on the B8004 close to the Banavie basin rather than going in to the canal car park. He had spoken to the company involved which had agreed to instruct their drivers not to do this. Fort William now has a mobile camera unit which should help enforce speed limits in the area.

**4. Complaints of noise from Annat Point**

Following the discussions Graeme Corner, Senior Environmental Health Officer, at the previous meeting, several residents had been filling in noise diaries. One resident had also been trying to obtain the forms for this without success. (**Action:** JR to copy the forms and pass them on).

**5. A82 summit**

Transport Minister Humza Yousaf chaired a summit about the A82 on 23 June. KCC had provided written comments to the meeting. AH reported that it had been a positive meeting and Transport Scotland had committed to widening the A82 between Tarbet and Inverarnan.

**6. Processing of blue and brown bin waste**

KCC had been contacted with a request for more details about the recycling process for material in the blue bins and garden waste in the brown bins. Blue waste is first taken to the Duiskey site where it is gathered into larger loads to be transported to recycling centres in Falkirk or AIness. Waste in the brown bins all goes to Inverness to be treated and then used as topsoil dressing for land fill sites or spread on fields. It was proposed that a more detailed article should be included in a future edition of the newsletter. (**Action:** JR to gather information for article)

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### **7. Planning application for an outdoor classroom at Banavie School**

KCC had been approached by Banavie School with a request to submit a planning application for an outdoor classroom on their behalf in order to reduce the cost of the application (Community Councils are given a 50% discount). The plan is for a small wooden building between the school and the canal. No concerns over any impact of this were identified and it was agreed that the application could be submitted by KCC.

### **8. Letter of support for Friends of Banavie Park**

KCC has supported the efforts of Friends of Banavie Park to progress plans for a play park beside the Neptune's Staircase car park. KCC will write a letter of support to help secure funding. Related to this, KCC had also requested that the area around the car park should be included as 'cherished green space' in the new Local Plan. This request had been ignored but will be repeated in consultation comments (see item 10).

### **9. Consultation on a proposal for a bill to replace the current 30mph default speed limit on restricted roads with a 20mph limit.**

Proposals for the default speed limit to be 20 mph are open for consultation until 07/08/17. KCC will be providing a response.

### **10. Consultation on final version of Proposed West Highland and Islands Local Development Plan (WestPlan)**

The final version of the WestPlan is now available and Highland Council have requested comments. A drop in consultation was held by KCC on 26 June. Based on this KCC will prepare comments to submit to Highland Council before the deadline of 21 July. Members noticed disappointment that several of the previous comments by KCC on the WestPlan had not been taken into account and also that a development in Banavie which was contrary to both the previous Plan and current proposals had recently been given planning permission. KCC would welcome any further comments by email before 14 July.

### **11. Next meeting**

The next meeting of KCC will be at 19:15 on Monday 28 August 2017 at Kilmallie Community Centre.