



# COMHAIRLE COIMHEARSNACHD CILL MHÁLAIDH KILMALLIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held 19:15 on Monday 26 October 2020 by remote video link

## Present

### Kilmallie Community Council

Carol Anne Campbell  
John Hutchison (Chair)  
Russell Leaper  
Ann Moffat

8 members of the public

### Highland Council

Cllr Allan Henderson  
Cllr Denis Rixson

### Apologies

Colin Wood  
Gwyn Moses  
Cllr Ben Thompson  
Ross McCartney (Police Scotland)

#### 1. Approval of previous minutes

The minutes of the remote meeting on 28 September 2020 were approved.

#### 2. Police update

Ross McCartney had intended to join the meeting together with a member of the Road Policing Unit but both had been called away at the last minute. They will try and attend the November meeting to discuss the ongoing road safety concerns.

#### 3. Improvements to the footpath to Banavie Primary School

Funding has been secured to widen a 50 metre section of footpath next to the road leading to Banavie School from 0.9m in width to a width ranging from 1.4m to 1.9m over its entire length. This will significantly improve the safety for the pupils and public using this section of footpath as, if constructed, they will only have to negotiate the section of narrow 0.9m footpath (over the bridge) over a length of 20m as opposed to the current 70m of narrow footpath that they are currently having to negotiate. The School, Area Roads Team and Elected Members are all supportive of the proposal but there have been some concerns from residents. One of these concerns is inconsiderate parking at drop off/pick up time which has been addressed through adding kerbing to the plans.

It was agreed that this would be an important contribution to improving road safety for children at Banavie School and that KCC should support this but encourage that the concerns of residents on the road should be addressed to the extent that is possible.

#### 4. Proposal for cycle route from Fort William to Glenfinnan

Lochaber Environmental Group are applying for funding for a feasibility study for a cycle route between Fort William and Glenfinnan. KCC agreed to write a letter of support. We have been working to improve road safety for many years, and particularly for cyclists and pedestrians using or crossing the A830. There is currently no other option for cyclists other

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than the A830 from the Co-op westwards through Corpach and traffic speeds can be very high particularly from Corpach to Drumsallie.

**5. Public right of way to foreshore at Annat**

KCC had been informed that the Small Boat Owners Association were considering no longer using the slipway next to the ice house at Annat. It was agreed that it was important to maintain the public right of way to the foreshore next to the slipway and the historic building of the ice house.

**6. Traffic speeds through Corpach**

Traffic speeds through Corpach continue to be a concern for many residents both on the A830 and on side roads. Kilmallie CC has provided a list of suggested roads for '20's Plenty' signs and permanent 20mph restrictions. This would be in keeping with national policy towards 20mph in residential areas. AH noted that Highland Council intends to bring forward temporary 20mph restrictions in the Fort William to Corpach area and that the locations would be made public soon. Other measures that could help include more prominent signs for Corpach which are currently not as obvious as many other Highland villages. The next newsletter will include an online survey on experiences of traffic speeds to gather further information.

**7. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be on Monday 23 November at 19:15 by remote video link. Please contact [secretary@kilmallie.org.uk](mailto:secretary@kilmallie.org.uk) to join the meeting.