

COMHAIRLE COIMHEARSNACHD CILL MHÀLAIDH KILMALLIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of Meeting held 19:15 on Monday 26 September 2022 in Kilmallie Community Centre and by remote video link

Present

Kilmallie Community Council

John Hutchison (Chair) Russell Leaper Gwyn Moses Ann Moffat **Apologies**

Carol Anne Campbell

2 members of the community

Highland Council

Liz Saggers

3 members of the community

1. Approval of previous minutes

The minutes of the August meeting were approved.

2. Declarations of interest

None

3. A830 road safety issues

There has been no update from Transport Scotland on when the speed limit review will be put out for public comment.

4. Treasurer's report and accounts

The current balance is £6075.16. Recent donations have included £239.20 to the Community Fridge.

5. Update on Belford Steering Group and Blar Mor developments

The date for the new hospital has been pushed back further by Scottish Government and it now seems that April 2026 is the earliest possible for construction to start. NHS Highland do not appear to have been pushing effectively for an earlier start date. KCC welcomed a proposed Highland Council motion to the Scottish Government to encourage faster action.

KCC had submitted an objection to the planning application (22/03479/MSC) for Phase 2 housing on the Blàr Mòr. The main reason for the objection was that Highland Council was requesting planning permission for housing on land that may be required by the hospital. However, there are a number of other concerns with the proposal. The provisions for walking and cycling were very poor and there are no plans for community facilities. Highland Council had responded with revised plans which did improve some of the access issues but there are still many concerns. In addition, the response from Highland Council contained a number of errors which KCC has asked to be corrected.

6. Access to Ice House at Annat

Chair – John Hutchison jch@abrach.com Secretary – Russell Leaper secretary@kilmallie.org.uk Treasurer – Carol Anne Campbell cacampbell.cac@gmail.com www.kilmallie.org.uk The issue of the preservation and public access to the ice house and foreshore at Annat was rasied. This is something that has been raised with the Community Council a number of times in the last 10-15 years. It was agreed to investigate the current situation further.

7. Linnhe Community Alliance

The next meeting of the Linnhe Community Alliance will be on 3 October. This will include an update from Highlife Highland on facilities for young people.

8. FW2040

There will be a consultation event for FW2040 on 2 November in Caol Community Centre with two open drop-in sessions running from 3-5 pm and 7-9 pm. Each of the sessions will feature two presentations, at 3:15pm and then repeated at 7:15pm, from local Elected Members and Transport Scotland.

9. Climate change - community contribution to achieving climate change related targets

The rising costs of energy will cause problems for many people and provide a further incentive for energy saving measures that will also address climate change. KCC discussed possible initiatives including car sharing schemes.

10. Kilmallie Community News

Members congratulated Carol Anne on another great edition of the newsletter. JH had delivered 28 copies to the new homes on the Blàr which are now occupied.

11. Date of next meeting

The next meeting and AGM will be held on Monday 24 October. It will be a hybrid meeting in Kilmallie Community Centre.