



COMHAIRLE COIMHEARSNACHD CILL MHÀLAIDH  
**KILMALLIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minute of meeting held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018  
at Kilmallie Community Centre**

**Present:**

Christine Hutchison (Chair) (CH)  
Jan MacLugash (JML)  
Jim Ramsay (JR)

**In attendance:**

CLlr Ben Thompson  
CLlr Denis Rixson  
CLlr Allan Henderson  
Sgt Ross McCartney (Police Scotland)

Two members of the public  
Press representative

**The Chair noted that the meeting would be inquorate but it was nevertheless agreed to go ahead.**

1. **Apologies:** Carol Anne Campbell, Mandy Ketchin and Russell Leaper.
2. **Declarations of Interest** None.

**Minute of Previous Meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> September**

Agreed to add the following to the draft minute:

- that there had been four members of the public in attendance;
- under item 6, the presentation by Ferguson Transport, that it had been noted that the Deep Water Harbour Feasibility report, expected in the summer remained outstanding and, accordingly, Alistair Nicolson, HIE would be invited to give a progress report to the next meeting.

As the meeting was inquorate the draft minute could not be approved.

**3. Police Update**

Sgt Ross McCartney had nothing new to report.

It was noted that 30 mph electronic speed indicator between Banavie School and Hillview Drive had not been working for around 2 – 3 weeks. Sgt McCartney was asked to pass this to BEAR Scotland.

A member of the public highlighted that a mobility scooter was regularly being driven along the A830 at Corpach, holding up traffic. There was discussion about the legal and safety aspects and Sgt McCartney said he would look into this matter further.

**4. Treasurer's Report**

The available balance on 01/10/2018 was £2,810.73.

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#### **5. Complaints of smell from Duisy and discussions with SEPA**

The Secretary had reported that some positive action had followed the SEPA visit to the site but bad odours have persisted and the KCC has been sent images of the uncovered cells at weekends when the site is not active, showing that no cover has been put in place. Fassfern residents continue to keep a diary and will keep SEPA updated but it is likely that more action will be needed to make the situation acceptable.

#### **6. Transport Forum meeting 26 October and additional rail meeting 23 October. Concerns over recent spate of service cancellations by Abellio.**

An update from the Secretary was given to the meeting. The KCC Chair will attend the Transport Forum meeting. It is hoped that a representative of KCC might attend the additional rail meeting to discuss concerns over recent spate of cancellations by Abellio. It was noted that Oban has an afternoon rail service and it was agreed to raise the possibility of a similar service for Fort William.

#### **7. Fort William Traffic Congestion Group meeting 15<sup>th</sup> November**

Cllr Thompson reported that a STAG Pre-appraisal report had been submitted by AECOM regarding transport in the Fort William to Corpach area and a large number of suggestions have been presented.

The Police Traffic crash investigation team is still located in Dingwall which leads to significant delays in reopening roads in the Lochaber area.

According to the appointed consulting engineer, Jacobs, Traffic Scotland's short term intervention at the Glen Nevis roundabout realignment has not been effective and a new proposal will be submitted to the Congestion Group meeting. Community groups and agencies will be asked for comments.

A member of the public asked whether a new roundabout is being planned at the Costa fast food outlet. Cllr Henderson added that this had been discussed but not concluded.

Cllr Thompson said that pressure is being put on Transport Scotland to move matters along. Sustrans will be in attendance at the meeting for the first time.

#### **8. Fort William Community Councils Partnership (FWACCP) meeting 14 November. Dot Ferguson and Alison Clark, Acting Head of Policy at Highland Council, will be attending**

The meeting was expected to cover the review of Community Councils, in which case it was agreed to request that Highland Council adopt the National Standards for Community Engagement and take these into account when consulting with communities and liaising with community councils. If they were to do so it would make the job of being a community councillor much easier and more rewarding.

#### **9. Relocation of the Asphalt Plant from Banavie Quarry to Carrs' Corner**

KCC felt that this proposal would be welcomed by the Banavie residents living nearby the quarry and would also possibly facilitate Breedon's night-time working. Accordingly, the KCC will send a statement of support to Planning.

#### **10. Corpach Railway Station Building**

The West Highland Community Rail Partnership has been in touch to ascertain KCC's ideas on future use of the building. There has been some interest and the Chair will attend the meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> November.

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### **11. Banavie War Memorial update**

JR has discussed the proposed path re-alignment with Planning although no progress has been made with construction. Alf Leslie has assured the Chair that repointing, cleaning and lettering will be restored by Remembrance Sunday.

### **12. Any Other Business**

- **Kilmallie Christmas Lights Fund:** The Race Night held in the Tradewinds on Sat 13<sup>th</sup> October had raised £1,122 and thanks were expressed to all who had supported this.
- **Kilmallie Community Company:** The AGM to be held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October in Kilmallie Community Centre.
- **Passing Glimpses:** Highland Bookshop had reported that 39 copies had been sold to date. It is hoped that Ian Abernethy will write an article for the forthcoming Kilmallie Community News, since he has the original manuscript.

### **13. Next Meeting**

Next meeting to be on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 7:15pm in Kilmallie Community Centre.

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