

## **KILNINVER AND KILMELFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

The meeting of the above Council was held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at 8pm in the Village Hall.

**Present:** Robin Asbury (RA) Chairman, Lindsay Davies (LD), Nigel Mitchell (NM).

Also in attendance were Cllr Duncan MacIntyre, Cllr Elaine Robertson and 22 members of the public.

**1. Apologies:** Alasdair Oatts (AO), Robin Grey (RG), Cllr Donald MacDonald and Cllr Neil MacKay.

**2. Minutes of previous meeting:** Amended 3a) Stuart Turner not Miller, 3f) Jolyon not Julyon and 10 4. residents not resident. Those amendments made the minutes were taken as being a true and accurate representation of that meeting. Proposed NM. Seconded LD.

**3. Matters Arising from previous meeting:**

Arduaine Garden Action Group has had a subsequent meeting on 09.09.09. The Arduaine Garden Support Group will now be constituted and carry on the work.

- a) Speed limit in Kilmelford – RG phoned Stuart Turner. Response received to the effect that there is currently a review ongoing of speed limits. Both the requested reduction from 40-30mph and the increase in coverage area will be considered as part of this review process. The Community Council will be informed of the outcome of this review.
- b) Bus Shelter in Kilmelford – On going. Roof to be repaired by end of the year.
- c) War Memorial- this has now been repaired and all supports/scaffolding removed.
- d) Core Paths- To be carried over for next Community Council to decide if they wish Jolyon Britton to attend.
- e) Blocked pathway in Raera Forest – now cleared.
- f) Roads Issues – Oude bridge realignment main road issue outstanding. This has gone out to tender for 2010.
- g) West Highland Housing Association – Exhibition in the hall 13.08.09. There are still properties available. WHHA welcome anyone interested to contact them.

**4. Land Around the Village Hall :** This has now been referred back to the PPLS committee with agreement in writing re developer of the site to hand over sports pitch completed to Argyll and Bute Council standard with cash support plan for 5 years to assist with maintenance. Unclear at this stage when this will actually be presented at the PPLS after which it would then go to the Scottish Executive.

**5. Proposed Wind Farm, Raera Forest:** Formal application being prepared by nPower, when complete plans will be available in the Post Office for examination. KKCC will also be in receipt of a copy. Query that jetty may be

built at Kilmelford Yacht Haven for loading/unloading. Also query that poles to carry electricity cables proposed for Scammadale, unclear whether would be existing poles or new. Both of these issues would be detailed in the planning application. Claudia Albrecht raised point of planning application going in with respect to new Community Council, potential gap in continuity and next proposed meeting as relevant to planning application. RA suggested we deal with this further in next item. NM added that as a Community Council we can express an interest and this would provide a hold on dates till discussed at proposed meeting.

**6. Community Council Elections:** KKCC have 10 Community Councillor spaces and in the recent nomination process 7 applications were made. These 7 nominees will be declared validly elected at 11am on 29.10.09. The new Community Councillors will be Matthew Anderson of Melfort House, Kilmelford. Colin Clark of Cuilfail Cottages, Kilmelford. Lindsay Davies of Lagganmore House, Kilninver. Sarah-Jane Edwards of The Gate House, Kilmelford Yacht have, Kilmelford. John MacLean of Morleen, Kilninver. Antoinette Mitchell of Barochreal, Kilninver and Nigel Mitchell also of Barochreal, Kilninver. The CC must now inform Jane Gillies of Committee Services of the time, date and place of the next meeting. RA suggested we keep 08.12.09, the next routine date as the next planned meeting. Claudia Albrecht raised the issue of the proposed wind farm and asked if we can wait until December. A lengthy discussion ensued around the development, benefits to the community and road issues. Cllr MacIntyre suggested that the hiatus in Community Councils is recognised within the Council and that the planning process is the starting point for the negotiations. Planning Applications requires to be validated and that then begins a 2 month discussion period for general planning applications. He added that the recent change in planning allows our Local Councillors to support and represent Community opinion. Objections/support can be accepted up to 1 hour before planning meetings. Final decision to keep original plan of next CC meeting 8pm, 08.12.09. LD to inform Jane Gillies.

**7. Planning Applications:** none.

**8. Correspondence:** All correspondence on view.

Highlighted notice for Association of Scottish Community Councillors Annual Conference 14.11.09 - to be carried over to next meeting for new Community Councillors.

Email communication from Cllr Donald MacDonald re Council Service points - single point of contact access to Council Services- LD to keep as reference.

RA has named LD as the point of contact for Association of Argyll and Bute Community Councillors.

LD to hold KKCC bank statement

Email from John Tilly thanking the outgoing Community Council for all their work up to this point regarding the Land around the Village Hall.

**Any Other Competent Business:**

Jane Rentoul asked about the position regarding our Community policemen. LD stated we do not have an allocated Community Policeman but can access the Community Policing Team in Oban tel. no 01631 510500 and ask for Community Policing.

NM proposed a vote of thanks to RA for all his hard work as Chairman.

RA – as a final item to my time as a Councillor and latterly, Chairman, I would like to give thanks to our Councillors Elaine Robertson, Neil MacKay, Duncan MacIntyre and Donald MacDonald particularly the latter two for all their help and counsel over the last few years and the time they have devoted to supporting us over the land issues beside the Village Hall. In addition my thanks to my fellow Community Councillors, Robin Grey as Treasurer and Alasdair Oatts over planning issued in past years. Here again particularly Nigel Mitchell on current planning issues, Village Hall and Wind farm and Community Engagement Meetings. Also to Lindsay Davies who undertakes a huge amount of work as secretary, not just joining with Nigel at Community Engagement Meetings but also preparation of Agendas, completing the Minutes, keeping notice boards up to date, linking with our Councillors as well as a host of other items; correspondence, mailing and circulations, a very big thank you indeed. So I am truly delighted that she and Nigel will give continuity to the next Community Council. Thank you to all the community who attend and contribute to these meetings.

Cath Manchester then added a vote of thanks to the CC in particular for the work involved regarding the surroundings of village hall.

**Date of next meeting:**

The next meeting of Kilninver and Kilmelford Community Council will be held in the Kilmelford Village Hall on Tuesday 8th of December 2009 at 8pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9pm.