

# KILNINVER and KILMELFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Tuesday February 12<sup>th</sup>. At 8pm. Kilmelford Village Hall

PRESENT: Nigel Mitchell (NM) (Chair) Matthew Anderson (MA) (Treasurer) Lucy Files (LF)

Antoinette Mitchell (AM)

Cllr Elaine Robertson Cllr Duncan McIntyre.

APOLOGIES: Stuart Cannon Colin Clark John MacLean

Cllr Louise Glen-Lee Cllr Ian MacDonald

1. DECLARATIONS of INTEREST. There were none.
2. MINUTES of MEETING of 9<sup>th</sup>.OCTOBER 2012 were approved as a true and accurate representation of the meeting. Proposed by LF and seconded by MA
3. AGM MINUTES of 9<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER were agreed. Proposed by LF and seconded by AM
4. MATTERS ARISING from the last MEETING.
  - a) Clachan Wind Farm As of the 11<sup>th</sup>. February 2013 the Scottish Government have received no appeal. The 30<sup>th</sup>. of January 2013 at midnight was the cut off date.  
The chair has recently received an email letter from one of the adjacent landowners to the site declaring he is not interested in negotiating with Mr Rory Young regarding access across his land.
  - b) Speed Limits. The marking out of the new proposed speed limit signs 30mph have already begun in Kilmelford Village, and they should be in place by the end of February. The road narrow signs at the bridge are already in place. STAGE 2, the extension of the 30mph limit has still to go through the consultation period. This was confirmed by Cllr Duncan McIntyre.

- c) Community Emergency Plan. AM reminded the community of the CEP she had spoken about at the October Meeting and confirmed that she had attended the meeting held at the Corran Halls on Nov.13<sup>th</sup>. 2012. Mr Terry Haggerty from Argyll Voluntary Action was introduced and he spoke at some length on the subject. He stressed that the idea of a community led Emergency Action Plan was a Scottish Government initiative and they appeared to have chosen Argyll and Bute as the council to take the lead as their population was fairly evenly divided between rural and urban communities. He intimated that the islands appeared to be better prepared than mainlanders. AM pointed out that in this parish it was difficult as there were 5 separate communities. Mr Haggerty suggested that there should be different groups to make plans for each area and to regard it as a community building exercise. He went on to say he was there to give advice and help. There were funds that could be applied for to help with emergency items eg torches, gas fires, etc the form applying for these items had to be completed by the end of the week. MA agreed to apply.
- d) Ardmaddy Fish Farm. A and B Planners have now confirmed that this application is live again as SEPA have completed their deliberations and given their approval and granted Marine Pen Fish Farming their Licence. NA advised that previous letters to the planners of support or objection would still be considered. Should anyone else wish to write they could do so, but that the council could only consider planning concerns, for example those of light and noise pollution, size of barge, panoramic quality etc. A Discussion raised a number of further concerns to those of pollution namely the fact that Fish farms were self -regulatory and that SEPA did not have the resources to monitor. NM would contact Ian MacKinnon Environmental Health to see if a watch could be put on the fish farm. A further letter will be sent by the KKCC regarding the communities' additional concerns.

## 5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

The chair NM has received a letter from Stuart Cannon concerning his KAMES fish farm. Kames had a SEPA application in last week's Oban Times this is a Technical variation to Kames current licence, which marine Scotland had requested that they obtain. This was to enable them to treat any trout that they hold prior to harvest, with any medicines that the fish may need during that period. He went on to say that KAMES had been holding fish there for many years without EVER having to treat or medicate fish. However, they had to comply with regulations and have things in place.

Land around the hall. The Planners have confirmed that this site is zoned as a new PDA and is for Community Facility development. The Public consultation period has now started and finishes on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2013. Representations must be made before then. There is a public drop in event being held in Oban on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Feb 2013 between 3pm and 8pm in the Corran Halls, which is open to all and is an opportunity for the public to talk to planning officers about the LDP. All relevant documents are available for viewing on the council web site, Oban Library and council offices, Oban.

Erection of private dwelling house and formation of access. Land at Melfort Home farm Kilmelford. Pending consideration. Ref: No: 13/00007/PP

Local Review requested for.....removal of condition number 5 of planning permission 01/94/0409 restricting occupancy. Harbour Master Melfort Pier and Harbour Kilmelford. Ref: No: 12/01624/PP and site for the erection of a dwelling house and installation of a septic tank land NW of Arduaine farm. Ref: No: 12/00361/PP

Exploratory drilling of up to 30 sites over a period of 3 years for mineral deposit identification. Lagalochan Forest Kilmelford ref. No. 12/02675/PP

Concerns were raised by Mrs. Dalton, on this last application, as to the roads suffering from large vehicles, the road to be traversed was only a C class road. A discussion was held and it was agreed that the KKCC should write to Roads flagging up the concerns. AM agreed to write.

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE

1. HEALTH CARE Points were raised concerning health care issues. The chair admitted that he had been approached about a number of things. People not being seen, and not on time, Staff leaving etc Cllr. Elaine Robertson stressed that if people were concerned they must contact their care managers. She also said a paper was being brought to the attention of A and B council. A list of people who receive care was being compiled for community councils.

### 2. HISTORIC SCOTLAND

NM has received information from Historic Scotland stating that they wish to re-schedule the site of the cairn at the back of the hall.

### 3. SCOTTISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

NA has been approached by Dajit Singh from the Scottish Community Foundation and has met with him concerning the benefits to KK that could arise from the already

permitted Carrick Gael Wind farm. Kilniver and Kilmelford are one of a number of neighbouring communities who are entitled to a percentage of the WF's income. NM has agreed to join a community panel with other community councils to set up a charitable trust. Once the WF comes on line then the Scottish Community Foundation would work with the KKCC rep to set up KK Charitable Trust enabling us to receive our possible benefits.

#### 4. BUDGETS.

Nigel has received information concerning the new budget proposals as per the SNP led administration paper for this Thursday.

The roads Operation budget to be reduced by £510,000 (7.1%) and the loss of 21 FTE jobs (15.3%)

The Street scene budget to be reduced by £400,000 (8.1%) and the loss of 14 FTE jobs

A and B are holding a meeting on Thursay 14<sup>th</sup> Feb to discuss the budget and its implications.

#### 7. A.O.B.

It was asked if Mcleods could be asked to deal with the overgrowing vegetation and trees at the Degnish Road end of the Glebe. Cllr Duncan McIntyre agreed to approach them.

A discussion ensued concerning the trees obstructing the visibility at the bridge at the north end of the village and the possibility of obstruction to new signs. NM suggested that we should wait to see what clearing was done when the new signs were erected and deal with everything at one time.

It was commented that the new road narrows signs were too small. Most people agreed that they had missed them. A lorry has already hit one.

Meeting Finished at 9.42pm.

DATE of NEXT MEETING Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup>. at 8pm.

