

**KILNINVER AND KILMELFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING**

**TUESDAY 8th April 2014
8 p.m. KILMELFORD VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Nigel Mitchell (NM); Stuart Cannon (SGC); Antoinette Mitchell (AM); Jane Rentoul (JR); Colin Clark (CC); Annie Delap (AD); Jamie McAndrew (JMCA).

In attendance: Cllr Elaine Robertson (ER) and 9 members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES** - Cllr. Louise Glen-Lee; Constable Jeremy Moore.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** - SGC and JMCA Agenda Item 4(b)
3. **MINUTES OF MEETING** held 11 February 2014 were approved as true and accurate representation of the meeting. Proposed: AM Seconded: JMCA

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING

a) Community Emergency Plan - AM had written to BT and received a reply one month later, passing the buck to BT Openreach and acknowledging there is poor infrastructure in our area. ER advised that there is a Scottish Government community broadband project which is headed up by Campbell Cameron, independent of BT, with whom she offered to put us in touch. It was of concern to those present that in the case of failure of phone etc communication the elderly are at risk and the Community Council was urged to keep the pressure up to achieve a better and more reliable service. JMCA reported that there is a good template to go by and he will have a draft outline for the June meeting.

b) Proposed Fish Farm - South West Shuna. SGC and JMCA left the meeting. The planning application is now live. NM advised that the Community Council has one week only to lodge a time extension request. Since the post office at Cullipool is open part time the planners lodged the papers at Kilmelford Post Office which is open full time. The planners have now advised that since the proposed development is in the jurisdiction of Luing Community Council, the application will be re-advertised in the Oban Times on 10th April, with papers in Cullipool Post Office. The next meeting of Luing Community Council is 20th May. The general feeling of the meeting was supportive of the proposed development and it was reported that the presentation by SGC at Toberonochy had been well received. The meeting agreed to the Chairman's request for a time extension. SGC and JMCA then re-joined the meeting.

c) Celtic Sea Wind Turbine - General discussion indicated much concern and disapproval of the proposal to site such a structure on the shore of Loch Melfort, close to the main Lochgilphead/Oban road. Further concern was expressed on the effect such an installation would have on the nearby Loch Melfort Hotel and Arduaine Garden and not least on the owners of the Eathie plot who are about to build a new house which will look straight on to the turbine. It was agreed that the Community Council would write a letter outlining these concerns to the planners.

d) Glenmore Farm - Forestry Commission has replied to Community Council questions. SGC to circulate FC email to those interested. The overall broadleaf percentage of planting was discussed but this is still at the consultation stage. Preference for broad-leaved oaks. What are plans for felling? SGC to draft letter to FC.

e) Raera Forest Plan - the Euchar bridge will not be used. They will access and exit on to A816 at Oude Dam bridge.

5. Planning Applications

Pebble Beach View Kilmelford Oban Argyll and Bute PA34 4XD - Alterations and formation of first floor balcony extension. Ref 14/00493/PP

Land South of Beinn Chaorach Arduaine Farm Kilmelford Oban PA34 4XQ - Erection of 60kw wind turbine (26.6m high to blade tip) and erection of control cabinet - amended proposal relative to planning ref 13/01661/PP. Ref 14/00082

Land South West of Glenmore Farm Kilmelford - Erection of dwellinghouse with integral garage, upgrade of existing access and formation of new vehicular access (amended design, siting and new altered access relative to planning permission 13/01485/PP) Ref 14/00125/PP

The three applications above - Pending Decision.

Celtic Sea Ltd Arduaine Oban Argyll PA34 4XD - Erection of 50k wind turbine (24 m to hub height) Ref 14/00403/PP

Land South West of East Kames Kilmelford Oban Argyll PA34 4XA - Site for the erection of dwellinghouse, installation of biodisc treatment plant with soakaway and formation of new vehicular access Ref 13/02931/PPP

The above two applications - Pending Consideration

Pier Arduaine Argyll and Bute - Non material amendment to planning permission 13/01301/PP (Change of use of land for the formation of car parking area, installation of ramp to access beach and associated works) - Change to parking layout. Ref 14/00430/NMA

Raera Forest Kilninver Argyll and Bute - Forestry Design Plan (FDP) Ref 14/00219/FDP

Farm House Arduaine Oban Argyll and Bute PA34 4XQ - Non Material Amendment to planning application 12/00786/PP (Erection of 11 kilowatt wind turbine (24.9m high to blade tip) - amended position relative to planning reference 11/02400/PP) - for change to turbine type

Ref 13/02593/NMA

Glenmore Power Station Glenmore Kilmelford - Certificate of Lawfulness (existing use) - Power Station. Ref 13/02635/CLAWU

The above four applications - Application Permitted.

Glenbeg Kilmelford Oban Argyll PA34 4XA - Erection of agricultural shed (amended site relative to planning permission reference 13/02104/PNAGRI) Ref 13/02467/PNAGRI

No objection.

6. Correspondence

Summary of reported events in the area supplied by Constable Jeremy Moore.

7. Any other Competent Business

a) The recently erected large brown tourist sign in Kilmelford village was discussed. LG-L was to follow this up after February meeting. She is on sick leave at present so situation unknown. Village residents very much wish to have it moved to a position opposite the Degnish road end, as detailed in the February Community Council Minutes (item 7 (1)).

Concern was expressed over the ill-placed 30 mph signs at the western entrance to Kilmelford. One has already been damaged by a vehicle as it is close to the edge of the road. A lorry moving to the middle of the road on a corner in order to avoid hitting a sign has been witnessed. ER to ascertain from Roads Department if the signs are indeed correctly positioned. Regarding the placing of a 30 mph countdown sign in the middle of a gated entrance to a field at this same corner, it was suggested that the landowner approach the Roads Department direct.

b) SGC to produce accounts for agreement at next meeting.

c) ER reported Police Surgery to be held on Tuesday 3 June. 10:30 Kilninver. 12 noon Kilmelford. Locations to be advised.

d) ER advised that the Parking Wardens would be re-starting in Oban on 12th May.

e) ER advised change in personnel at Police Oban.

f) ER explained the new model of care for the elderly. Community wished to take up the offer of a presentation on the subject at a future Community Council meeting.

g) SGC - Kames Bay Garden open under Scotland's Garden Scheme 3 and 4 May.

Georgina Dalton - Maolachy Garden open under Scotland's Garden Scheme 24 & 25 May.

h) Community Council was thanked for agreeing to fund annual poppy wreath for Remembrance Sunday.

i) Observation by JR that in spite of several individuals spending considerable time submitting comments last year during consultation period of Local Development Plan, particularly concerning the zoning of Rural Opportunity Area at Kames, the Council has dismissed these concerns and passed this section (S331) of the Plan unaltered to the Reporter at the Scottish Government for a 6 month examination process.

j) After much discussion it was agreed to take up an offer by Fiona Wyllie to compile a list of email addresses so that under a no reply system such people could be advised of Notices of Community Council meetings, Agenda, Minutes and allied information. It was stressed that this would be only for dissemination of information solely by the Community Council and only if the majority of the community wanted it. A notice outlining this initiative would be placed in the forthcoming Kilninford News.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10:05 p.m.