KILNINVER AND KILMELFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

TUESDAY 12th AUGUST 2014 8 p.m. KILMELFORD VILLAGE HALL

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

In attendance: Cllr Elaine Robertson (ER) and 11 members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES - Stuart Cannon

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST - JMcA Agenda Item 4(b)

3. MINUTES OF AGM held 10 June 2014 - Cllr. Robertson's name to be added to those attending. With this amendment the Minutes were agreed.

MINUTES OF MEETING held 10 June 2014 - a few minor amendments were agreed.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING

a) Community Emergency Plan - Owing to pressure of exam study JMcA has not yet prepared outline plan. He is to liaise with Carol Keely of Civil Contingencies, Argyll and Bute Council. ER advised that they will require to have a copy of plan in order to have information centralised.

b) Proposed Fish Farm - South West Shuna. The application is still under consideration. The number of pens has been reduced - from 14 to 12 and dialogue is continuing with Marine Scotland.

c) Celtic Sea Wind Turbine - Application as it stands will be refused. Planners are in discussion with Celtic Sea but the application has not yet been withdrawn.

d) Musdale Wind Farm - Jamie Grant of Infinis gave a presentation of the scheme, submitted July 2013, discussions having taken place with Argyll and Bute Council and with Scottish Natural Heritage. There has been a reduction in number of turbines from 16 to 15. A supplementary environmental information submission will be made within the next month which will cover changes from the original submission which he said should satisfy the consultees. The application will be going straight to the Scottish government.

Comments from the floor included the observation that the neighbouring windfarm Carraig Gheal stands out significantly when viewed from the Sound of Mull, concern over impact on the historical Drove Road to Crieff and the issue of Borrow Pits, Peat Slide etc. Also the question of upgrading of cables and restringing of line to Kilchrenan sub-station. ER expressed concern over reinstatement of land after life of windfarm ended. She said the restoration bond should be scrutinised more diligently and the local authority should be stricter, as local people needed to be reassured.

Community benefit would be in place once consents are received and construction started. It was stated that Carraig Gheal has not yet paid out a penny of community benefit.

Infinis undertook to keep the Community Council informed on progress, as has been the case up until now.

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 East of Traighuaine, Arduaine, Ref. No.: 14/01313/PPP Site for the erection of dwellinghouse. Land South East of Clachan Farm, Kilninver, Oban, Argyll and Bute

Ref. No.: 14/01033/PP Change of use of agricultural land for the storage of timber (retrospective) **Kames Fish Farm**, Kilmelford, Argyll and Bute Ref. No.: 14/01050/PP Removal of caravan and erection of replacement log cabin.

Land South West Of East Kames, Kilmelford, Oban, Argyll and Bute PA34 4XA Ref. No.: 14/00973/PPP Site for the erection of one dwellinghouse
Plot 2 Arduaine Caravan Park Renewal of Planning Permission 11/01325PP Erection of dwellinghouse Ref. No. 14/01488/PP
Craigaol Kilmelford Change of use from detached garage/shed to form self contained unit for private use Ref. No. 14/00881/PP
The above seven applications: Status Permitted

Arduaine Farm Erection of agricultural shed Ref.No. 14/01744/PNAGRI Status: Pending consideration

Barachuile Forest Kilmelford Rural Development Contract Ref.No. 14/01127/RDCRP

Cuilfail Cottages Kilmelford Installation of Telecommunications Apparatus Ref.No. 14/00967/TELNOT

The above two applications: Status Prior Notification - no objection

6. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

7. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

a) Concern was expressed regarding accuracy of Rural Opportunity Area at Traighuaine, Arduaine. ER advised that the Local Plan has been presented to the Reporter and that any concerns should be addressed to Sybil Johnston, Strategic Planner with Argyll and Bute Council, who is very approachable.

b) Fergus Gillanders addressed the meeting on behalf of Kilmelford and Kilninver Community Association regarding the change in legislation which governs the way the association can be operated. He passed round a paper outlining this and took questions from the floor. Initially, the constitution of KKCA has to be changed, the cost of doing this is £120. It was generally agreed that the Community Council funds this - proposed by NM and seconded by AD. Fergus Gillanders was thanked for the work undertaken by him in this matter.

c) Since nobody has come forward to take over the production and distribution of the Kilninford News, the last edition will be published in December 2014.

d) It was reported that out of a possible 300 people 24 had responded to be on a group email list to receive information relating to Community Council business. Discussion ensued as to how this could link with the Community Emergency Plan and expand to incorporate information regarding road closures etc. JMcA to liaise with Fiona Wylie regarding the email contacts on such a list.

e) ER advised new arrangements to be introduced by Argyll and Bute for waste collection by possibly end of October. She to speak to Melissa Stewart of A&BC re communication with the Community Council on this.

f) ER gave notice of Scottish Rural Parliament meeting at Corran Halls from 12 - 4 p.m. Wednesday 17th September.

g) ER reported that the Council is aware of the issue of vegetation encroachment on roads generally in the area but particularly on the Loch Avich Road and the impact of the uncut verges upon large vehicles using that road.

h) Oban North and Lorn Ward election for Councillor. If the election is contested polling will take place on 23rd October 2014.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10 p.m.