

# KILNINVER AND KILMELFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING

**TUESDAY 14 JUNE 2016**  
**KILMELFORD VILLAGE HALL**  
**8:20 p.m. following AGM**

Present: Nigel Mitchell (NM); Stuart Cannon (SGC); Antoinette Mitchell (AM); Jane Rentoul (JR); Colin Clark (CC) 9 members of the public.

In attendance: Councillor Elaine Robertson (ER); Councillor Kieron Green (KG); Constable Jeremy Moore; Sandy Neil from Oban Times

1. **APOLOGIES** - Jamie McAndrew and David Wilkie.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - There were none.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 12th APRIL 2016** - Item 7 (3d) should read "Duncan Martin is the Co-Chair of Oban and Lorn locality group which is looking for volunteers to represent local interests for each area". With this alteration AM proposed and SGC seconded that the Minutes were a true and accurate representation of the meeting.

#### 4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING**

a) **Speeding in the village** - ER reported that speed monitoring had been in place for a spell and the resultant statistics gathered were read out to the meeting. Various options to discourage speeding were discussed, with flashing 30 mph sign deemed to be the best. It was noted that the Roads Department has very little spare cash but ER was to meet Jim Smith the following week and would take the community's concerns to him relating to speeding but also regarding concern at the lack of pavement and safe passage for wheelchair users to travel between houses and the shop and/or across the bridge.

b) **Carraig Gheal Community Fund** - JR read out report by DW in his absence:

While there are still areas of disagreement between the Steering Group and the owners Greenpower progress in management changes are hopefully being made. So far over £30,000 has been allocated in Major grants and there is £100,000 in the kitty still to allocate. Around 15 Micro Grants of up to £250 have been paid and it should be noted that there is £2000 in K&K's kitty for Micro Grants for the period up to end of March 2017. Applications online are invited but please consult with David or Nigel first. It is preferable for micro Grant applicants to attend a CC meeting prior to application.

c) **Defibrillators** - SGC reported that three defibrillators had been put in place at Kilninver School, Kilmelford Hall and Kames Fish Farm, although awaiting connection by an electrician. Donations from the following bodies/individuals were very gratefully received: The Argyllshire Gathering, Kames Fish Farm, Kilchoan Estate, Kilninford Newsletter, Kilninver & Kilmelford Community Council and an anonymous donor. Although the operation of a defibrillator is reported to be simple and straightforward, it is felt that the community would gain from attending a presentation, with as many people as possible urged to attend. Once date is fixed, it will be widely publicised.

d) **Public Consultation on Ward Boundaries** - KG reported that MSPs should be pressuring Scottish Ministers regarding the proposed changes. Amendments cannot be made - either the status quo will be kept or the proposals thrown out. It is up to the public to again write in to Mike Russell and the seven list MSPs by the deadline of 7 July.

#### 5. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

##### **Pending Consideration:**

**Land South West of Kilchoan House Kilmelford** - Demolition of existing sheds, erection of new garage court and installation of private drainage system. Ref 16/00293/PP

**Pending Decision:**

**Land West of Kilmelford Fire Station** - Renewal of planning permission in principle Ref 13/00947/PPP

**Permitted:**

**Land South West of Kilchoan House Kilmelford** - Erection of private chapel. Ref 16/00272/PP

**Finlaysons Kilchoan Kilmelford** - Demolition of existing dwellinghouse and shed, erection of replacement dwellinghouse and garage and installation of private draining system. Ref 16/00271/PP

**Scammadale Farm Kilninver Oban** - Erection of replacement dwellinghouse. Ref 16/00944/PP

**Kilchoan House Kilmelford** - Demolition of dwellinghouse, re-use of materials for the erection of replacement dwellinghouse and installation of private drainage system. Ref 16/00269/PP

(Omitted from printed application search dated 14 June 2016 - application approved 25 April 2016)

**Prior Notification - no objection:**

**Kilninver House Kilninver Estate Kilninver** - construction of ATV quad track Ref 16/01161/PNFOR

**Raera Forest Kilninver** - Upgrading and maintenance of forest tracks Ref 16/01368/PNFOR

**Application withdrawn:**

**Raera Forest Kilninver** - Upgrading and maintenance of forest tracks Ref 16/01111/PNFOR

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

1) Letter from Breege Smyth. We are encouraged to contribute to monthly broadcasts, concerning activities of community councils, on Oban FM, starting 25 September. Training to be given 3 September at Grassroots Cafe 4 - 6 p.m.

2) Letter from Deirdre Henderson, Macmillan Cancer Information and Support Service Manager notifying official launch for Oban Library Service on Monday 20th June at 12 noon.

3) Application for funding (£250) from Carraig Gheal community fund for WiFi in Kilmelford Village Hall has been successful.

4) The matter of tree cutting and inappropriate disposal at Kilninver was raised with the Roads Department who has sent a letter to the complainant, Mr. Teigner, acknowledging the error and apologising.

5) Letter from Fiona Wyllie, Arduaine, objecting to the posting of political party notices remaining in place on a pole alongside A816 in Kilmelford long after elections completed. Discussion followed regarding the ownership of the pole and the legality, bye-laws etc. concerned in such a situation. Constable Moore undertook to look into the matter.

6) Local Development Plan 2 which will cover 2020-2025. Suggestions are invited as to what developments are desired for our area, to be considered for incorporation in the plan. Discussion took place regarding desirability of using the field beside the hall at Kilmelford for the building of a new school, now that it has been re-zoned for community use. It was agreed that the close proximity of facilities at the hall and the location away from a main road was attractive. Recognition that the Council's budget might not support such a venture now should not prevent us flagging up the idea in the initial stages of LDP2 for possible implementation in the future. People should be aware generally of the plan and are encouraged to submit their thoughts. Further details at <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/ldp2>

**7. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

1) Question from floor regarding Glenmore Forestry Plan. Nothing new has come forward.

2) The appalling state of the road between A816 and Degnish was raised. Many present at the meeting agreed that the large number of potholes make driving very difficult.

3) It was reported by JR that tape recording machine was faulty and that possibly a digital one would be simpler to use. SGC's offer of funding such a replacement was gratefully received.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:30 p.m.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 9th August 2016