

# KILNINVER AND KILMELFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING

**TUESDAY 9 AUGUST 2016**  
**KILMELFORD VILLAGE HALL**  
**8 p.m.**

Present: Nigel Mitchell (NM); Antoinette Mitchell (AM); Jane Rentoul (JR); Colin Clark (CC) Jamie McAndrew (JMcA); David Wilkie (DW). 7 members of the public.

In attendance: Councillor Elaine Robertson (ER); Councillor Kieron Green (KG); Jim Smith, Roads Department, Argyll & Bute Council; Sandy Neil from Oban Times.

**1. APOLOGIES** - Stuart Cannon.

**2. AGREE MINUTES OF AGM HELD 16 JUNE 2016** - Minutes were agreed by the meeting. Proposed by AM and seconded by CC.

**3. TREASURER'S REPORT** - Still held up owing to continued difficulty with Bank of Scotland releasing bank statements. SGC hopes to have report available to Community Council committee at their interim meeting on 8th September.

**4. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2015/2016** - carried over to next meeting.

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

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING 14 JUNE 2016** - CC proposed and AM seconded that the Minutes were a true and accurate representation of the meeting.

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

**a) Speeding in Kilmelford** - Mr. Jim Smith was introduced to the meeting. He explained the outcome of the speed survey recently conducted in Kilmelford which showed evidence that the 30 mph restriction was working well. Discussion ensued regarding viable options available to deter those that do overtake at speed within the restricted speed area. It was agreed that shrub cutting back was desirable, particularly at the bridge, as was removal of built up grit at side of road on bridge. General agreement to provision of flashing 30 mph sign and Mr. Smith undertook to investigate cost and report to NM within a week to ten days. ER suggested a partnership approach, with possible funding to be available from Carraig Gheal windfarm monies or similar and subsequent maintenance by Argyll & Bute Council (A&BC). Difficulty of safely crossing bridge was raised and Mr. Smith also undertook to ask designers in his department to look at solution, subject to budget restriction. It was noted in response to a question from ER regarding state of potholes on Degnish road which had been raised at the June meeting, that the necessary work had been carried out that afternoon, i.e. Tuesday 9th August.

**b) Carraig Gheal Community Fund** - DW reported that during the two six month periods ending 31 July 2016 no applications had been submitted from the eligible five community councils for major grants and so there is currently £100,000 available in the account. A local application had been rejected owing to errors on the form. DW explained that the whole process in applying for funds is a complicated matter. ER stated that in the case of the funding available to Taynuilt community council from the Beinn Ghlas windfarm it is a much more straightforward matter. It is disappointing to note that our Community Council makes a decision to approve an application and then that decision can be overturned by Greenpower, the owners of Carraig Gheal. After much discussion it was decided that community councillors - with the exception of NM and DW who are on the steering committee - gauge the opinion of the wider community not attending that evening before writing to Carraig Gheal expressing the public's views on the matter of fund disbursement.

**c) Community Defibrillators** - JMcA reported that SGC had been unable to recruit a qualified electrician to connect the defibrillators as all seemed to be very busy and unable to do the work for some months hence.

AM agreed to contact Jim Smith of Connel whose firm had carried out work at Kilmelford Hall recently. It was noted that the Heartbeat Foundation would be unable to give a training session locally until later in the year.

**d) Public Consultation on Ward Boundaries** - A decision is expected some time after six weeks beyond the 7 July deadline for comment by the public.

**e) Argyll & Bute Local Development Plan 2** - It was decided that in order to draw as much attention as possible to the public of the need for community involvement in general planning for the next 20 years we would invite one or two members of A&BC Strategic Planning Department to attend a drop in session from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Tuesday 11th October immediately prior to the next meeting of Kilninver & Kilmelford Community Council. This would give people the opportunity to learn more about the issues involved and hopefully contribute within the 6 month consultation period which ends 8th December 2016. The planner(s) attending would then give a short address to the Community Council meeting following on at 8 p.m.

#### **4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

**Ar Sgoraig Kilninver Oban PA34 4UU** - Erection of garage. Ref 16/02061/PP

**Finlaysons Kilchoan Kilmelford Oban PA34 4XD** - Demolition of existing dwellinghouse and shed, erection of replacement dwellinghouse and garage and installation of private drainage system. Ref 16/01796/PP

**Land North West of Arduaine Farm Arduaine Oban** - Erection of dwellinghouse, carport and workshop/store, installation of septic tank, formation of vehicular access and associated works. Ref 16/01782/PP

**Flyaway Lodge Feochan Eleraig Kilninver Oban PA34 4UX** - Erection of extension. Ref 16/02094/PP

##### **No Objection:**

**Eleraig Kilninver Oban PA34 4UX** - Relocating of 33kv two pole spur. Ref 16/02178/PNELEC

**Kames Forest Kilmelford** - Formation of new access track and upgrade of existing access track. Ref 16/02017/PNFOR

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

##### **Permitted Development:**

**Kilninver Telecommunications Mast Kilninver** - Removal of 4 antennae, installation of 3 new panel antennae, 1 x 0.3 metre dish and ancillary works. Ref 16/02148/TELNOT

##### **Application Permitted:**

**Land West of Kilmelford Fire Station Kilmelford** - Renewal of planning permission in principle 13/00947/PPP - Site for the erection of a multi purpose building (ground floor restaurant/retail and residential accommodation on first floor). Ref 16/01216/PPP

#### **5. CORRESPONDENCE**

a) WiFi Kilmelford Village Hall. There have been a number of issues getting connection to the hall. BT have now given a completion date of 26 August.

b) There is currently one vacancy on the community council. Elections will take place in November. Nominations packs will be sent out around 9 September, with Notice of Election published 13 September.

c) The matter of sundry vehicles permanently parked in the car park located at the Oban bound bus stop in Kilmelford was raised. It was recalled that an arrangement was set up around 20 years ago whereby the community council pays A&BC £1 per annum to allow the ground to be used as an overflow car park, e.g. people wishing to travel by bus from the village, parking for funerals, weddings in the church etc. It was decided to deal with the matter in the first instance by speaking to the owners of the vehicles concerned.

d) Thanks were expressed for arranging the delivery of flowers from the community council, on behalf of people in the Kilninver and Kilmelford area, to the parents of the children lost in the accident at Loch nan Drummnean on 6th July.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:25 p.m.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 11 October 2016 at 8 p.m.