

# KILNINVER AND KILMELFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING

**DRAFT**

**TUESDAY 11 OCTOBER 2016  
KILMELFORD VILLAGE HALL  
8 p.m.**

Present: Nigel Mitchell (NM); Jane Rentoul (JR); Colin Clark (CC); David Wilkie (DW). 6 members of the public.

In attendance: Councillor Elaine Robertson (ER); Councillor Kieron Green (KG)

1. **APOLOGIES** - Stuart Cannon, Antoinette Mitchell, Jamie McAndrew, Roanna Clark
2. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2015/2016** - The accounts were inspected and approved, with thanks expressed to the Auditor Mrs. Shelagh Cannon. Proposed by CC and seconded by DW.

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

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING 9 AUGUST 2016** - CC proposed and DW seconded that the Minutes were a true and accurate representation of the meeting.

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

a) **Speeding in Kilninver and Kilmelford** - Mr. Jim Smith, Roads Department, Argyll and Bute Council, had addressed the August meeting and undertook to come back with suggested signage and general improvements shortly thereafter. NM, ER and KG reported that to date no response had been received from Mr. Smith in spite of chasing up by means of emails and phone calls. The community registered its disappointment with this state of affairs and ER and KG undertook to continue to attempt to follow up with Mr. Smith. Lengthy discussion followed which mainly went over the points raised at the last meeting.

b) **Carraig Gheal Community Fund** - DW reported that the CGCF application process would hopefully be less difficult as a result of approaches made by the various community councils in the area. The present situation regarding micro-grants is that of the £3000 available to Kilninver & Kilmelford Community Council to be spent by March 2017, only £750 has been used so far, leaving £2250 available. If we do not spend it by March it will go back in the kitty. Other community councils have claimed more and we should be doing the same. Funding for a Christmas party was suggested.

An application for a micro grant of £250 for gravel to be laid at Kilmelford Hall car park was agreed by the meeting.

c) **Community Defibrillators** - It was agreed that JR would undertake to engage an electrician to make the necessary connections for the machines to function.

d) **Public Consultation on Ward Boundaries** - Thanks were expressed to KG, endorsed by ER, for his hard work in encouraging communities to respond in the way they did and which has resulted in the proposed changes to not be implemented, which also means that we will retain four councillors and not be reduced to three. The Scottish Parliament has to ratify the decision but no difficulty is envisaged on that front. KG thanked the community generally for writing in and Kilmelford shop in particular for distributing information. He commented that the input from Argyll & Bute constituted one third of all of Scotland's response.

e) **Argyll & Bute Local Development Plan 2** - At the August meeting it was agreed to ask A&BC Strategic Planning Department to attend a drop in session prior to tonight's meeting. They have advised that there would be little merit at this stage in doing this until they know what applications they have received to change designated areas of planning as they are presently at the call for sites

phase and will get back to us after the December deadline. Lengthy discussion took place regarding the present play area in Kilmelford and possible need for a flat area for football. It was noted that starting shortly there will be softball play in the hall on Friday evenings during the winter months. It was stated that any development of a play area would have to be community led and once up and running if Council owned would involve monthly assessments from a maintenance and safety point of view.

**f) Community Council Elections** - We now have a full complement of councillors with the recent appointment of Roanna Clark - the only candidate - to the council. We look forward to welcoming her in person at our next meeting on 13 December.

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

##### **Pending Decision:**

**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

##### **Prior Notification - no objection:**

**Balnoe Forest Kilmore Argyll and Bute** - Formation of access track. Ref 16/02286/PNFOR

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

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

**Ar Sgorag 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

#### **5. CORRESPONDENCE**

a) The emergency telephone number in connection with power supplied by the umbrella body now called Scottish & Southern Electricity Network has been changed and is now 105 which should be used to report/receive updates on power cuts. This will be notified in the next issue of the Kilninford News and in the Community Emergency Plan.

b) A leaflet concerning adapting homes for independent living for the over 60s was reported. Tel:03303037801; Website:www.helptoadaptscotland.co.uk

c) WiFi in Kilmelford Hall is up and running with 10 months remaining of the 12 month deal. Parental restrictions have been put on and the password is on notice board and office window. Phone calls will now be able to be made from the hall using appropriate app on smart phones.

d) In response to BT wishing to remove the phone kiosk (and telephone connection) in Kilmelford a request has been made to BT for the kiosk to be adopted by the community council on payment of £1, subject to the Planning Department of A&BC having received no objections and reporting in favour to BT. The meeting voted in favour of its retention and agreement that the local community would maintain it, with its use yet to be decided upon. Decision on retention or removal due by the end of the year.

e) After much discussion it was agreed by the meeting that Community Council minutes would in future not be published in the Kilninford Newsletter but would be available on the Kilmelford website (www.kilmelford.com), at present being overhauled, on notice boards at Kilmelford Village Shop, Kilmelford Hall and Kilninver and two printed copies available at Kilmelford Shop for those without access to the internet. The Newsletter would simply publish contact details of Community Councillors, their area of responsibility, dates of ensuing meetings and brief list of agenda items. This new approach would reduce the amount of space taken up in the Newsletter, thereby saving printing costs, and hopefully might encourage more people to attend meetings.

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

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 13 December 2016 at 8 p.m. at Kilmelford Village Hall.