

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

TUESDAY 13th February 2018

KILMELFORD VILLAGE HALL at 8 p.m.

Present: Nigel Mitchell (NM); Stuart Cannon (SGC); Antoinette Mitchell (AM); Jane Rentoul (JR); Colin Clark (CC); Roanna Clark (RC); Jamie McAndrew (JMCA); David Wilkie (DW)
13 members of the public.

In attendance: Councillors Elaine Robertson (ER); Keiron Green (KG); Andrew Vennard (AV); Constable Jeremy Moore (Police Scotland)

1. APOLOGIES - There were none.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - There were none.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING 12 December - The Minutes were approved by AM and seconded by SGC to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING

a) Speeding in the Village – RC gave details of the Facebook survey and the majority thought the sign was helping but speeding still a problem. Suggestions were made for a sign for southbound traffic and for larger '30' signs than the existing. Public urged to take registration number of offenders and report to police by phoning 101; a single witness being sufficient for them to make enquiries. ER pointed out that the flashing signs were not a statutory obligation for the Council. Suggestion was made that maybe new signs could be 'sponsored' by local business.

b) LDP Main Issues Report – No further information but further consultation is expected during the summer for October publication.

c) NM pointed out that the large pothole at Kilninver had been repaired the day after the last meeting and he thanked ER for her 'intervention'. ER commented that the road here will need major reconstruction and this is being scheduled for some time probably in the next financial year.

5. PLANNING

NM advised that the applications at Knipoch and Kilchoan cottage had been approved; there is an archaeological watching brief on the proposals at Kilchoan Barn.

There is still no decision on the recreational hut north of the Atlantic Bridge as it is going to a Hearing in April.

He read a letter from the owner of Harbour Master's cottage at Melfort Pier who wanted to clarify his application for removal of occupancy restrictions and he confirmed he had owned the property for several years having purchased it from the Cristliebs.

The application by Marine Harvest to expand their sites at Poll na Gille and Bagh Dail nan Ceann have been submitted. While these are not in our 'area' the PNG site especially has the potential to affect our environment.

The house at the Fire Station was being permitted but the wall would HAVE to be moved back to the statutory position.

The dispute over the track at Glenmore has been allocated to the Reporter and a decision is expected by 15th March.

6. CORRESPONDENCE – NM had received a letter from Dr Barkham and Dr Ford advising of their concerns over the new GPs' contract which would appear to have a serious detrimental effect to rural surgeries. Concern was raised during discussion as the value of our local surgery is unanimously appreciated. NM will seek further info from the Surgery and AM will write to the Health Minister with copies to Christina West and our councillors. Members of the public should write to the MSP, Health Minister and the BMA.

7. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

1 RC had sourced some signs to be positioned on the main road that would draw attention to the defibrillator and SGC agreed to acquire these.

2 There will be Defibrillator awareness training at the Village Hall on Thursday 15th March at 6.30pm and at Kilninver School on Friday 16th March at 2.00pm.

3 Elections All Community Councillors will have to reapply. Nominations close at 16.00 on 22nd March. 10 copies of forms will be supplied and they can be downloaded from the Council Elections Website. It was agreed important that there was representation from Kilninver on the new C.C.

4. JR drew attention to the new parking charges in Oban and it was noted that there will be some 'free' periods before parking is charged. ER and KG advised us of the thinking behind the changes which were broadly welcomed.

The meeting Closed at 9.07 pm.