

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

**TUESDAY 10 APRIL 2018**

**KILMELFORD VILLAGE HALL at 8 p.m.**

Present: Nigel Mitchell (NM); Stuart Cannon (SGC); Jane Rentoul (JR); Colin Clark (CC)  
Jamie McAndrew (JMcA); David Wilkie (DW) 9 members of the public.

In attendance: Councillors Elaine Robertson (ER); Keiron Green (KG); Andrew Vennard (AV)

**1. APOLOGIES** - Antoinette Mitchell; Roanna Clark; Constable Jeremy Moore

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

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

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

a) Speeding in the Village – NM handed out leaflets advertising electronic speeding signs. Carraig Gheal Windfarm monies would not be forthcoming as they consider it something the Council should supply. Appropriate siting of any new signs was discussed. Jim Smith, Head of Roads at A&B Council to be contacted as had previously agreed that department would provide assistance with erecting/positioning. Agreed that the Community Council would be the body to organise provision of signs. SGC advised that Kames Fish Farming and Marine Harvest would help with purchase and said he would take this on board, investigate further and report back at June meeting of CC.

b) New GP Contract - JR reported on negative impact of new GP Contract and how it will affect Rural and Remote practices such as Easdale, Phase One of which came into force 1st April. Meetings had been held within the last month on Luing (80 people attended), at Kilmelford (65 came along) and Seil and Easdale where 130 people attended. People and bodies in authority were reported to have been taken by surprise at the sheer volume and quality of correspondence received from the public. Easdale Surgery was very grateful to all who had written and thanked them for doing so. Regarding income and working practices, guarantees have been given and it is hoped that these promises will be kept. The Surgery emphasises that it is important that Argyll and Bute Council Health and Social Care Partnership and NHS Board understand the threat to Easdale Surgery and the strength of feeling in any discussion and implementation of the new contract. KG acknowledged this and ER felt that the contents of a recent letter from Dr. Alan McDevitt of the BMA who had negotiated the Contract were encouraging. Nevertheless, it was agreed that the public should be vigilant as events unfold.

**5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Clachan Sound Recreational Hut - It was reported that the Hearing into the part-retrospective planning application for the Recreational Hut at Clachan Sound had been held. The Planning Department is to put a competent motion to the PPSL Committee at their meeting to be held on 18th April in order to allow the Hut to be granted permission to remain.

Glenmore Track - Alasdair Oatts reported the appeal brought by the owner of the Tower House had been unsuccessful and the decision is final that he is required to grade, remove potholes and finish in accordance with that decision, to be completed within three months of 2nd March 2018. Alasdair thanked the Community Council and individuals who had written in and also to Colin Clark who had filled potholes. He expressed his gratitude for their interest and help.

House at Fire Station - The stone wall built without permission is still in place and is yet to be removed, as required by the terms of the appeal.

**Pending Consideration:**

**Land Adjacent to Tigh-an-Lagan Kilninver** - Site for erection of a dwellinghouse Ref 17/03105/PPP. (Subject to Flood Risk/Drainage impact response at 29 March 2018)

**Pending Decision:**

**Harbourmaster House Melfort Pier Kilmelford** - Removal of condition number 5 of planning permission 01/94/0409 restricting occupancy. Ref 17/03236/PP

**Kilchoan House Kilmelford** - Construction of a slipway and installation of a pontoon. Ref 18/00290/PP

**McKinnons Kilchoan Kilmelford** - Non Material Amendment to planning permission 17/03297/PP (Alterations to dwellinghouse including formation of 3 dormer windows) to incorporate minor changes to approved scheme.) Ref 18/00815/NMA

**Application Permitted:**

**Kilchoan Barn Kilmelford** - Demolition of outbuilding, alterations to dwellinghouse, existing lean-to structure replaced with new link building to connect to the main house with adjacent ancillary building converted to form additional ancillary accommodation. Ref 17/03285/PP

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

There was none.

**7. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

1) DW reported that the application for a micro-grant of £250 from Carraig Gheal Wind Farm for part financing replacement of soffits and fascias at Kilmelford Hall has been successful.

2) DW raised the matter of increased amount of roadside rubbish and reported the he had followed a bin lorry with recycling on board which was being spewed out owing to the retaining flaps being worn away. ER agreed to liaise with him to look into the matter.

3) The matter of the unsightly container which had been sitting at Degnish road end for some weeks was raised. It was reported that the owners would uplift it by the end of the week.

4) KG reported that the A816 at Kames Fish Farm was to be patched and surface dressed costing £137,000 and the C29 Dalavich road worked on at a cost of £100,000.

5) JR reported that the Hidden Dip signs for A816, acknowledged by Roads Department to be necessary and recorded as such in October Minutes of the CC, had not been put in place. Chasing up phone call to Roads Dept had not been returned. ER undertook to follow the matter up.

6) ER reported that repair of Kilninver sign is on the to do list.

7) DW reminded people of the impending Community Council elections, with voting papers being sent out 13th April. Our CC, with ten candidates for eight places will be subject to an election, and along with Jura will be the only elections to take place in Argyll and Bute. Seil, Lismore, Dunbeg and Oban are short of enough candidates to form a CC. Gill Philpotts and Louisa Llewellyn were introduced to the meeting as two new candidates to be standing to represent Kilninver.

8) ER expressed thanks to all members of the committee for their hard work and reiterated that the work of the thirteen Community Councils is essential for communities to convey views to Argyll and Bute Councillors and vice versa. In turn, JR thanked ER, KG and AV for their regular attendance at meetings and for advice and assistance to the committee in performing their duties. NM said that, as Chairman, he wished to thank the Committee for their help and support and that if elected he would not be Chairman as he had served two terms in that post. SGC gave a vote of thanks to the Chairman and to AM for her support.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:55 p.m.

**Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 12 June 2018**