

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

**TUESDAY 13th AUGUST 2019
KILMELFORD VILLAGE HALL at 8 p.m.**

Present: Present: David Wilkie (DW); Jane Rentoul (JR); Roanna Clark (RC); Stuart Cannon (SC); Gill Philpotts (GP); Jamie McAndrew (JMcA); Colin Clark (CC) Louisa Llewellyn (LL); plus 8 members of the public.

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

Convener David Wilkie welcomed everyone and opened at 8.00 pm

1. APOLOGIES – PC Iain MacLeod (report sent)
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None
3. a) **AGREE MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD 11TH JUNE 2019** - Agreed
b) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 11TH JUNE 2019** - Proposed by JR and seconded by RC to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM MEETING HELD ON 11TH JUNE 2019

There were no major issues.

KG advised that the Local Development Plan had no firm dates for the next phase but ER advised to try to have a good look at it. We agreed this should be on our agenda for next meeting.

Someone noticed that Craobh Haven had a Dog bin so we will ask if we can have one too. RC suggested asking Craignish how they got one.

5. a) TELEPHONE KIOSK KILMELFORD

There are now updated signs outside the kiosk, replacing TELEPHONE with KILMELFORD and noticeboards provided inside, thanks to DW. We will put a note on Facebook and encourage use.

b) VE DAY 75 – May 2020. We will need a committee (not just council members).

Generally thinking we will build on activities last time. Volunteers needed. Georgina Dalton had discussed with church and would be having a special service.

c) LOCAL TIMBER EXTRACTION Some of our much needed road maintenance was linked to the need for better surfaces for increased heavy traffic and timber lorries. Local people commented that there was a lot more heavy traffic now which took its toll on the roads. Someone asked why the substantial network of logging tracks could not be used for this traffic but KG reminded us that companies do get asked for contributions to road maintenance which was needed these days with the pressure on council finances. KG invited us to contact him if we had specific concerns. It was felt that we should keep up pressure on A&B council to continue the maintenance. SC noted that Kames Fish Farm have 50% of their feed coming via boat.

d) SCOTTISH LAND COMMISSION ENGAGEMENT SURVEY

There was a reminder that this on-line survey was open until the end of September 2019 and wanted views from local people. [www.landcommission.gov.scot/community engagement](http://www.landcommission.gov.scot/community%20engagement). Councillors advised that it was open to everyone but for best representation groups seemed to work well.

e) GLENMORE HILL – Latest Plans

There was a concern that the Forestry Commission did not respond to questions and seemed to give the impression that everything they planned was all agreed. Attempts to get answers about quality of water supplies from departments in Lochgilphead had no real assurances and private individuals and companies were very concerned about the effects of substances that may be added to forest areas to help new tree growth that could then get into the general water supplies. Several people expressed concern regarding not just quality of water but quantity being compromised by planned planting programme. ER suggested contacting David Jardine and DW intended to write to Fiona Scott at Argyll and Bute Council Planning and he encourages anyone who is worried to write directly as well to add pressure for a response. SC said he would feedback when he had more information.

6. PLANNING MATTERS (See attached sheet)

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Police Report – Although PC McLeod could not attend our meeting, he did send a report which mentioned some minor road accidents but nothing major. There is a new reporting form we need to use when linking with the local police available on their website.

Place Standard Tool Survey – Asking about how you feel about where you live. Needs to be submitted by 30th September 2019

Footpath Progress – (DW) nothing yet but he will feedback as soon as we know.

8. PUBLIC QUESTIONS – There were none

9. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Windfarm Microgrants - 4 x £500 grants available

Access to noticeboard by Village shop – could we move the noticeboard, as siting large Grit Bin and Dog Poo bin in front has now made posting of CC business papers difficult and inhibits ease of reading by the public.

Overgrown road edges still a problem south of village. Also, overgrown shrubbery at laybys has resulted in fly-tipping and general rubbish disposal. Advised to write to Roads Dept or use HUB online. ER suggested individual letters as well as report.

Speed Signs – SC to chase.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER AT KILMELFORD HALL

The meeting closed at 9.16p.m.