

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

**TUESDAY 8th OCTOBER 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 6 members of the public.

In attendance: Councillors; Kieron Green (KG)

Convener David Wilkie welcomed everyone and opened at 8.00 pm

1. APOLOGIES – Councillor Elaine Robertson

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 13TH AUGUST 2019** - Proposed by RC and seconded by JR – following a lively discussion about litter and fly tipping. KG was able to clarify what is/is not the responsibility of the local council. He also advised that the Local Development Plan is likely to be delayed yet again. Likely to start during November. The minutes were seen to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting.

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM MEETING HELD ON 13TH AUGUST 2019**

a) **VE DAY 75 – May 2020.** Suggestion of holding a “40s” style party in the evening to complement the school event in the local hall. RC thought there was a small grant available to help with decoration costs. DW felt there should be a charge. Still to agree details. Will need a smaller meeting about it.

b) **GLENMORE HILL – Latest Forestry Plans**

SC was due to have a meeting but was concerned that key parties seemed to think everything was agreed. SC reminded them that local residents and businesses did not feel consulted. There was concerns about water supplies and planting schemes. Although the people were open to adjustments, they didn't want to go back to Forestry Commission. There were “Thanks” for the letter of concern that had been written. DW had heard that there may be a community grant available if the community wanted to form a company to buy the hill. It was felt we should do a bit more to sell the idea to local people. A couple of people mentioned a survey some 2 years ago where there were some positive responses that may be worth digging out again and also getting some more information out to people. DW to send email to FC. People concerned that action promised by FC has not happened.

c) **Noticeboards Kilmelford and Scammadale**

DW suggested using Kiosk for notices and move present noticeboard to Scammadale. CC will look to see if it can easily be moved and adjusted.

d) **Overgrown Road Edges**

Following last meeting JR wrote to Malcolm Cullen in Roads Dept. They can do some shrubs quickly and they will look at other issues. Regarding Kilninver School puddle and near Kames Meadow – no quick fix considering budgetary constraints but accepted there is still a problem with ponding. JR will go back with thanks, recommendations/suggestions.

e) Local Development Plan

No progress yet. Our December meeting should have details. RC reminded us of the online survey.

f) Dog Fouling in Kilmelford

Seems to have improved but continue to monitor.

g) Speed Signs Kilmelford

SC had issues with company so gone to new company but lots more expensive. Better guarantee offered but still costly. Discussions about options and location such as life-size cut-out policeman which could be effective and cheaper if someone would allow it to be sited. RC shared a close call from a resident who pulled out of Degnish Road at main road when a car overtook a lorry at the junction. Discussion if double white lines would help.

5 AGENDA ITEM - Community Trust Company

Covered in previous item but DW will push forward. DW asked if Scammadale/Kilninver folk were happy to be included in whole area or felt they merited being a separate Trust Company which could be a possibility if desired for a specific scheme.

6 PLANNING MATTERS

See attached sheet

7 CORRESPONDENCE

Supporting Communities Fund. Applications by 6th December to encourage new groups with new ideas. Up to a max. of £2500.

8 ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Council Meeting minutes out next week and will include budget proposals.

DW fed back from Carraig Gheal Wind Farm Fund meeting that grant to North Argyll Voluntary Car Scheme was successful. There is £2000 available in Microgrants this year and other areas have already submitted their applications so we should get on with our applications. We already know of idea for a Christmas Party for over 65s. Funds need to be used otherwise they go back into the fund for next year. There will be a vacancy on the funding panel. Please let DW know if you are interested.

Note: Postal service could have industrial action beginning of December.

The meeting flagged up need to have timely information about road blockages as with the recent flooding that took too long to be communicated. DW felt we needed a letter expressing our disappointment that Police closed the road recently that seemed unnecessary, lack of signs and generally unhelpful. Generally there needs to be better support at such times.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday 10 December 2019 at Kilmelford Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.30p.m.

Georgina Dalton wished to thank everyone who helped at the Parish Lunch.