

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

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**TUESDAY 13th August 2024
Kilmelford village hall at 8pm**

Present: Roanna Clark (RC) Convenor and chair, Gill Philpotts (GP) Secretary, Jamie McAndrew (JM) Vice-convenor, Stuart Cannon (SG) Kieron Green (KG) councillor – Oban N & Lorn,

8 members of the public attended. Meeting started at 8.02

1 Apologies: Samantha Dunion, Treasurer, Luna Martin councillor, Andrew Vennard Councillor.

2 Declarations of Interest: There were none

3 Minutes of meeting: held 11th June 2024; The minutes were approved by GP and seconded by JMA. The AGM minutes were agreed.

4 Matters arising/progress from previous meeting:

a) Broadband Speed / Access

JM was still trying to monitor and get answers and had contacted Openreach but no real solutions yet. He will keep trying.

5 Roads matters

There are still traffic hazards at Arduaine and the need for some better signage or at least some way to slow traffic down which is far too fast through the area. Residents asked if they could create their own footpath to give dog walkers and other pedestrians some area of safety – KG said if they self-fund it may be a way but they would need to make sure the highway area was not made too narrow.

RC will chase the signs coming from Digital Kangaroo and GP will talk again to Roads Dept.

Bridge Update: clamp down on funds will slow down the update process. Kilninver bridge is still ok to go ahead, Kilmelford bridge waiting for sign offs then can proceed. Scammadale no more road improvements.

It is possible to get updates on the Council website and report problems.

6 Summer Festival Progress

Sunday 18th August, field adjacent to village hall. 12 – 5.

Marquee will go up on Friday. There will be a Tea Tent , Dog show, pony rides and some typical country stalls. No entry fee but donations appreciated.

7 8 Shop Update/Community Company Update

Liz Mackay also gave us an update regarding the Community Company – it will be called Loch Melfort and Kilninver Co and will be official in 2 – 3 weeks' time. They are looking to have 75% local membership and there will be an official launch.

The shop is going to close in September we could ask the Post Office how we keep a local facility but communication in the past has been difficult.

9 Planning

A list of planning applications was circulated. No objections were raised.

GP agreed to talk to the Planning department to get clarification on some of the older entries on the list.

The playpark had been upgraded by the Housing Association RC asked that we thank them GP will do that.

10 Correspondence

GP shared details of another wind farm but this was nearer to Inverary.

We had the Police report for July – 5 reported crimes in our area.

A funding opportunity from SSE.

RC asked if we could thank the people who are maintaining the village tubs = amazing.

11 Any Other Competent Business

We need to make sure committee details are up to date on websites and keep a check on most recent minutes on all noticeboards.

Thank you to Alex Tweedly who has now upgraded the CC website.

KG mentioned that our meetings are usually the 2nd Tuesday of the month and this helps councillors to attend.

10 Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 15th October 2024 Kilmelford Village Hall 8 pm