

EAST KINTYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held in Carradale Village Hall
4th April 2018

MINUTES

Present:

Eleanor Sloan (ES) (Secretary), Robert Strang (RS), Ronnie Brownie (RB), Ian Brodie (IB) Trish Collins (TC)

In attendance –

2 Members of the public – Tommy McPherson & Elaine Batchelor
Robin Currie

1. Welcome

At 7pm –Eleanor Sloan opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees. In the absence of a Convener – Eleanor Sloan chaired the meeting.

It was noted (unofficially, as no-one had as yet received any official notice) that Bill Bidmead and Charles McMillan were not on the list of returning councillors – many thanks to them for all their work in the past.

Trish Collins will remain with us as co-opted member.

We had 2 new members in the room – Elaine Batchelor and Tommy McPherson – they will be officially welcomed at our inaugural meeting on 15th May 2018

2. Apologies

No apologies

3. Minutes of last meeting – 01/03/18

Minutes were proposed by Robert Strang seconded by Ronnie Brownie.

4. Treasurers report

No report

5. Planning

Application 18/00415/PPP for a dwelling house at Lephinmore, Saddell. No objections.

6. Wind Farm Trust update

Eleanor reported that she and Alasdair Bennett had attended a meeting regarding monies to be shared annually by East Kintyre, West Kintyre and Tarbert & Skipness Community Councils from the Cour Wind farm. The total will be £102,000 annually available in 2 six month tranches and there will be a group, consisting of 3 people from each area, chosen to sit on the application panel. There will be more information regarding this fund when it goes to press.

It was also agreed that the May tranche of the East Kintyre Wind farm trust would have to wait until after the inaugural meeting of the Council – dates will be suggested as soon as possible.

7. Water problem at man-hole cover at harbour

No progress – RC reported that Scottish Water thinks that Argyll and Bute are responsible for this problem. **RC to follow up.**

8. Brackley Cemetery

No update from Stuart Irvine regarding Mike Russell and Paul Martin – **ES to chase up.**

RS reported that Forestry Commission Scotland and SSE have graded the road from the road end of the B842 to the entrance of the cemetery.

9. Road signage

NO updates re – the Quay brae signs.

ES received an email from Julian Green saying that the other signs will be put in place when the other works in the village are completed – approx. end of May 2018.

Tommy McPherson – asked about replacing/ repairing some signs in Saddell – he will forward some photos to the council and **Robin Currie offered to look into it**

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10. Pot holes

RC sent an email with proposed road repairs for the year coming – relevant to us – are –

- Redhouse to North of Cloanaig
- South of Saddell
- Kildonan North of Peninver

ES reminded everyone that if a pot hole is spotted it should be reported first to Argyll and Bute Council immediately.

11. Beach Clean

We have proposed a date of 5th May for a beach clean

We then had a discussion about the state of the flotsam and jetsam bun and the dog poo bins on the bay

ES had received a letter from Alan Milstead explaining that they had been overflowing and he had had to drag them up himself and that there didn't seem to be a system in place for taking them to the top of the road for collection.

We discussed this and Robert and Trish agreed to take this chore on board between them as a trial run.

It was suggested that we asked Colin Burgess if he would have a bin at the caravan park, near the shore for any rubbish collected on the beach – **ES will contact Colin**

12. AOCB

- Robert showed us a letter he had received from Eilidh Neilson – saying that she wants the street light at Port Righ to be fixed – as we have already heard from other folk at Port Righ who do not want it fixed – EKCC agreed that they cannot take any stance on this point and will ask all concerned to contact Argyll and Bute Council regarding this matter and find out exactly what is the position for all concerned. **RC agreed to look into this.**
- Tommy McPherson suggested the playpark committee approaches Marine Harvest for some funding – **TM to forward info to ES**
- Elaine Batchelor said that some of the trees on the tinkers track are leaning over in a dangerous manner – **RS offered to speak to Dougie McCormick about this**
- RS offered to trim back some of the gorse at the bay for the Carradale canter – **RS to trim gorse**
- Lesley Prag asked about the website and was assured that people are using it – it was suggested that we create a facebook page – **Lesley offered to do this**

13. Date of next meeting

7pm – 05/04/2018

Eleanor closed the meeting at 8.05pm and thanked everyone for attending.