## EAST KINTYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

# THURSDAY 1900HOURS 3 MARCH 2022 CARRADALE VILLAGE HALL

### **PRESENT**

Ian Brodie Convenor, Trish Collins Secretary, Shelagh Cameron, Robert Strang, Tommy Mcpherson.

Councillors Alasdair Redman, Robin Currie, John Armour

3 members of the public

#### WELCOME

The convenor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **APOLOGIES**

Ann Horne, Jen Conley, Audrey Willan

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Convenor went over the minutes of the previous meeting which were proposed by Robert Strang and seconded by Trish Collins

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer was not in attendance but sent a report. There is currently £6617.78 in the bank account but all of these funds are ring fenced for the Wellpark Project.

# **SENEVAL**

No update

### **HARBOUR**

David Rennie has again been in contact regarding the asset transfer of the Harbour toilets. A discussion took place and the EKCC confirmed that they were not currently in a position to take over this asset under Argyll and Bute's current offer. Trish Collins will email David Rennie with to enable further discussion.

### **WELLWOOD**

The next phase is due to begin and Shelagh Cameron and Trish Collins will be moving on to the next phase of planting and they will be working with the school on this part.

## **EKREG UPDATE**

Alasdair Bennett provided an update on EKREG activities. A community benefit agreement for Beinn an Tuirc 3 Windfarm has been agreed with SPR and the first payment should be received this month. The East Kintyre Community Fund will manage these monies for our area and will be open for applications in May. EKREG is at the early stages of negotiations with ESB regarding community shared ownership in the proposed West Torrisdale Windfarm. They are also in early-stage discussions with Belltown Power regarding a proposed 40 turbine (150 - 200 metre high) Cnoc Buihe Windfarm, which is situated West of Lussa Loch on FLS land.

# **FLS UPDATE**

Ian Brodie updated the group that there was a meeting recently. FLS were asked regarding information they had received information that FLS had leased 7 plots of land for the purposes of proposed windfarms. They were unable to answer and will investigate and answer at the next meeting. They reported that the Rhonadale Bridge should be in pace by August/September and they were hoping to complete the loop at this time also.

## SIGNAGE AT CARRADALE HARBOUR

Councillor Redman is dealing with this and will update on the outcome when available.

#### **DOG FOULING**

Tommy Mcpherson reported concerns regarding dog fouling. He had been in contact with A&B Council regarding signage and will feedback at the next Community Council meeting.

## **ARGYLL AND BUTE EDUCATION REFORM**

Trish Collins updated completely that the proposed reform was still something that was completely without thought or substance. EKCC believe that this proposal will be detrimental to the students and remain fearful that is will lead to the closure of rural schools

### A.O.C.B

- Concerns were again raised regarding the road and available parking at the cemetery.
   Robin Currie reported that he had received a letter from J Smith stating that he has issues with repairs being carried out. There are ongoing discussions and he will feedback at the next community council meeting.
- Alasdair Bennett reported that the community survey would be launched tonight at 9pm. In partnership the EKCC/CCT/LPG will host an open day on April 9<sup>th</sup>. The open day will hopefully have tables with MOWI, EKCC {Wellpark Project}, Cricket Club CCT, etc
- Discussions took place regarding the war in Ukraine and what we as a community could do. Robin Currie stated that he was already in talks with Housing Associations to prepare house for refugees.
- Ian Brodie stated that in October last year A&B Council announced that there would be a repopulation officer appointed for Kintyre. Robin Currie is going to look into it and feedback at the next meeting.

# **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The convenor thanked everyone for attending

Next meeting will be within Carradale Village Hall at 7pm on Thursday 7 April 2022.