

**East Kintyre Community Council
Meeting
1 July 2021 Carradale Village Hall
7pm**

Welcome

The Convenor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

In Attendance

Ian Brodie, Convenor, Trish Collins, Secretary, Audrey Willan, Treasurer, Shelagh Cameron, Jennifer Conley, Robert Strang.

Councillors

Alastair Redman, Anne Horne.

Members of the Public

Elaine Batchelor, Brian Gee.

Apologies

Tommy McPherson, Ronnie Brownie, John Armour, Tony Leighton

Minutes of previous meeting

Proposed by Robert Strang, Seconded by Jennifer Conley.

Matters Arising

Included in the following agenda items.

Treasurers Report

Audrey Willan reported that the balance of the account was £1075

EKREG

No updates. Alasdair Bennet Referred everyone to the Eastkintyre.org website where interested parties could see the updates. He suggested that an East Kintyre Community Councillor should attend the planning group for Windfarm's. To be decided post meeting.

Seneval

No representative from CCT. Email received prior to the meeting from the CCT chair stated that all information regarding CCT can be found on Eastkintyre.org

No update re Seneval which is still not operating.

Path to Shop

Ian Brodie reported that Barry Bruce from FLS had attended and looked at the area in question. He stated that nothing would be progressed until September when this will be brought up at their meeting.

Bikes and Buggies

Ian Brodie declared an interest.

He then updated that the premises currently being used for Bikes and Buggies is no longer fit for purpose. He has been looking for new premises in the Carradale area but has had no success. As a result Bikes and Buggies will cease to operate in September. Trish Collins suggested that it may be an idea to post on Social media that new premises were required. This is to be considered.

Village Signage

Due to the relocation of the of the village shop the cycle network signs and wooden signs have the wrong information. Ian Brodie will contact Sustrans regarding the cycle network signs and Shelagh Cameron will contact Mike Hurst regarding the wooden signs as it was the local business group who has paid for them in the past.

Boundary Changes

A discussion took place regarding the Boundary Changes and the fact that we were now in Ward one. The consensus of opinion was that we would remain Status Quo. Trish Collins to construct a letter and send to MSPs to object to the change.

Abbeyfield Access/Right of Way

Trish Collins and Audrey Willan Declared an interest.

Shelagh Cameron had received an email from Jolyon Gritten stating that he hadn't progressed this due to volume of work.

Brian Gee stated that he had been in communication with the owner of Abbeyfield who had suggested he may move the fence a metre to allow the access to continue. A discussion took place and Shelagh Cameron agreed to contact the owner and progress this.

Bus Stops

The Bus Stops are being repaired. The shelter has been moved from Saddell. Ian Brodie will follow up when it will be replaced.

Fencing at Fisherman's Compound

No update as yet.

Wellpark Wood

Trish Collins reported that the funding applications had been successful to Argyll and Bute Council and Fern Community had been successful and she was currently getting estimates for the work required. To discuss this will Malcom Trott, CCT Trustee.

FLS Update

Awaiting a response from FLS.

A.O.C.B.

Trish Collins updated that she had received an email from Craig Wilson stating that there was now information on the Argyll and Bute website to let Campervan owners know where disposal points are in Argyll and Bute.

Shelagh Cameron updated that FLS had placed Port na Storm on the trial list for 24-hour stopovers. This was for self-contained vans only.

Ian Brodie raised a question regarding the opening hours of the Community Shop. Several of the EKCC Councillors had been approached by villagers and holiday makers asking why it wasn't open at the weekend. Alasdair Bennett suggested that despite there being a full-time manager employed in the shop the longer hours meant that they were looking for more volunteers. Jennifer Conley stated that she is on the shop committee and she would take this back at the next meeting. The volunteers should be congratulated on the work they are doing thus far.

Brain Gee stated that Ian and Brenda Buchanan have looked after the garden at the entrance of Broomfield for some considerable time. They are looking for help in maintaining it as they feel that the work is becoming too much for them to continue on their own. Trish Collins suggested that we ask for volunteers to work with the Community Council in maintaining this area and Wellpark Wood. Trish And Shelagh to create an advert.

Brian Gee Complained re vehicles cutting over the grass next to the bus stop. The area is owned by ACHA. Trish to contact them regarding this.

Elaine Batchelor ask of it was possible to have signs to let visitors know where the pedestrian paths were in the village as holiday makers were walking on the road which was sometimes dangerous. Shelagh Cameron agreed to speak with the map makers and resurrect the leaflet which shows local paths. Trish Collins suggested that Elaine could perhaps speak to the local tourism group with a view to seeing how many would need printed. They could then perhaps be sold in the Community Shop.

A discussion then took place regarding road signage and street lighting. Alastair Redman would progress. The street light at the Glen is on a Sensor and is not working correctly due to the foliage surrounding it. The signage at the entrance to the B842 is obstructed due to foliage and also faded. There should be signage that the road is unsuitable for HGVs and longer motorhomes which are frequently being stuck at the Grogport Hill. There is no signage identifying the hamlet of Grogport.

Ian Brodie to liaise with Alastair Redman.

Elaine Batchelor asked re assistance for a beach clean at the point. Ian Brodie explained that the Community Council Insurance would not cover this as the point was not the beach and in fact private property. Anne Horne suggested that Elaine contact the GRAB Trust and Shelagh Cameron suggested that she speak with Colin Burgess who is the owner of the land on the first instance.

Date of Next Meeting.

There will be no meeting in August.

September's meeting will be arranged for Peninver Village Hall. Date TBC