

EAST KINTYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held in Carradale Village Hall

1st March 2018

MINUTES

Present:

Stuart Irvine (SI) (Convenor), Eleanor Sloan (ES) (Secretary), Robert Strang (RS), Ronnie Brownie (RB), Ian Brodie (IB) Bill Bidmead (BB) Charles McMillan (CM) (Treasurer) Trish Collins

In attendance –

6 Members of the public

1. Welcome

At 7pm – Stuart Irvine opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees.

2. Apologies

Apologies from Robin Currie

3. Minutes of last meeting – 01/02/18

Minutes were proposed by Robert Strang seconded by Ronnie Brownie.

4. Treasurers report

Balance on 01/03/2018 was £1615.95 – no change

5. Community Council elections

ES phoned Kilmory for instruction on how to proceed with the community council elections, and fed back to the meeting –

- All members were given a nomination pack if they were choosing to be re-elected.
- Packs have to be returned to Kilmory or council offices by 4pm on 22nd March
- If the number of candidates does not exceed the number of seats then the council will be reformed on 26th April with all applicants.
- If it is a contested election – then there will be a vote – notice of poll will be 5th April – the ballot will open on 13th April and close on 26th April and the count will happen on 1st May
- After the council has been decided there will be no official business taking place until the inaugural meeting which will be chaired by an official from Argyll and Bute Council – where the constitution will be agreed by members, and office bearers will be elected.
- And then its business as usual...

6. Planning

Marine Harvest – have applied for previous permission for a 400 tonne barge to be replaced by a 600 tonne barge – no objections

Marine Harvest are also planning to expand northwards around the Crossaig area – making 2 more jobs available – no objections.

7. Hall to school path

Village Hall to school path is being tarred for the full length of the existing path and the new proposed path

8. Water problem at man-hole cover at harbour

No progress – **SI to contact Scottish Water.**

9. Brackley Cemetery

When Mike Russell was having a surgery in the hall last week, SI spoke to him about Brackley Cemetery and the state of the fences, paths and graves – about the amount of water and mud. MR agreed to speak to Paul Martin about this. **SI to liaise with Paul Martin about this.**

10. Road signage

Signage point 1 – an additional sign at the top of the quay brae – reminding drivers that there may be pedestrians on the road – **Anne Horn to chase up –**

Signage point 2 – change of speed limits at various points in village – **Anne Horn to get update**

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11. Village Hall

SI reminded the meeting that the wind farm trust had promised the village hall an extra £6,000 towards the roof repair.

Also that the playpark have also been promised an extra £5,000 if they needed it. Gus Black has been asked to clear the site of the play park.

12. Pot holes

Brackley cemetery was mentioned again with the pot holes on the road from the B842 to the cemetery and how it is not fit for normal cars and that the undertakers are refusing to bring their cars down the road anymore. **RS to speak to Anne Horn about this**

Other potholes – it was observed that some patching has been done on the Campbeltown road but there are still many holes to be fixed

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

Telling the EKCC in the first instance will not achieve much, however if a hole has been reported and is still not being filled then the EKCC can help to chase this up.

13. Bay Road

SI has asked the Gulls to fill in the holes on the bay road. The road to the beach from the gate has been repaired by Colin Burgess.

14. Date of next meeting

7pm – 05/04/2018

Stuart closed the meeting at 7.30pm and thanked everyone for attending.

As Stuart is retiring from the EKCC and this was his last meeting - Eleanor thanked him on behalf of everyone there for all the work he has done over the many many years he has supported the Community Council and wished him all the best in the future...

Stuart was presented with an engraved silver Quaich and a bottle of Springbank whisky

Thank you Stuart x