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## MINUTES from the GCC meeting held in CENTER 81 Old School Rd Garelochheadon Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Watson Robinson Convenor(WR)
Adam Rodger Secretary(AR)
Margaret Stratton Treasurer(MS)
Martin Croft Member(MC)

Colin Smith Member(Planning)(CS)
George Freeman A & B Councillor(GF)
Robert McIntyre A & B Councillor(RMc)

APOLOGIES Caroline Colquhoun CC Member

Sgt Robert Magee Police Scotland

ATTENDING Russell White Police-MDP (RW)

Laura Alexander Centre 81(LA)

Denise Donald Garelochhead Primary(DD)
Dorothy Hughes Garelochhead Primary(DH)
Rowland Eadie Member of Public(RE)

Agenda Action Item The convenor thanked all present for attending the meeting. 1. 2. The Convenor conveyed the apologies for those persons absent and established that there were no declarations of interest. Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20th October 2015. GF 3. pointed out that Jackie Baillie is an MSP and not an MP(Item 9). The minutes, subject to this amendment, were accepted. 4. Constable Russel White of MDP explained that Sgt Magee was involved in a mountain rescue incident. Sgt Magee's report to be added to the minutes. RW then explained the role of the MDP in the community. Their regular and extensive patrols allow the MDP to assist Police Scotland by reporting and responding to incidents. The Rural Community Watch will be starting up again. Members of the community will be able to sign up for regular updates via email. The Convenor thanked RW. RMc asked if RW had any information regarding the recent hold up on the Arrochar road. RW explained that there had been a number of instances where privately contracted drivers delivering large loads to Glen



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	Douglas had been misdirected by satnav. The recent holdup was caused by a driver having to reverse to Finnart after finding his load too large for the Whistlefield railway bridge.	
5	RE raised the issue of speeding. The Convenor asked if this could be covered at 6b. There were no other questions.	
6	Matters arising from minutes a)Reports. Planning – GF advised of 15 Jan Nuclear Support Hub notice and the renewal of planning permission at Woodlands on Station road. b) Speeding on Shore Road(B833). GF reported that a survey by police Scotland had not found a generic problem of speeding. AR pointed out that this stretch of village road had no pavement. DD confirmed that transport to school had to be provided for pupils on this road on grounds of safety. MC pointed out that the original issue raised had been to do with Road Safety as well as speeding. c) Memorial Bench. The property owner on Shore Walk is not keen to have the bench replaced. DD suggeted that the bench(repaired or its replacement) could go in the small garden at the school. The convenor offered to find out the cost of repairs.  d) Bendarroch Park. DH raised the problem of dog fouling in the park – in particular on the astroturf play areas. GF requested that any information as to the identity of owners of offending dogs be passed to the Dog Warden. MC pointed out that this was related to the ongoing issue of Park management and security and that Gary Greenall had worked as a coopted member last year to find funding for recreational facilities upgrades. e) Knotweed. MC raised the problem of determining ownership of affected land. It was suggested that the debris from a beach clean could be haystacked and burnt on top of the knotweed. f) Road repairs and g) wheelie bins to be removed. h) Traffic issues. Rowmore to Fuel Depot, GF advised that there had been a problem with the availability of survey equipment. Transport Scotland did not accept there was a problem with the speed limits. Residents and the Fuel Depot managers had sought to reduce the speed limit from Faslane North Gate to the village. i) Heart Defibrillator. MS stated that Phil McMurray had advised that the cabinet has been installed and is awaiting power supply and alarm. Cost as previously agreed £350. email to be attached to minutes.	WR to obtain estimate
	DD advised that the Rotary group had arranged a P6&7 first aid	



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	and heart attack training visit, with a second visit next week. It was agreed that once the defibrilator is in place training courses could be organised.	
	j) Council Ward Changes. All submissions are in and we await the decision of the Boundary Comission.	
	k) Christmas lights. These were agreed to have been a success. A big thankyou to Rosie O'Connor.	
7	AOCB Sources of funding. GF showed a copy of 'Funding Alert' that details sources of funding. Schemes like Community Council Awards, Awards for All, Improving lives and the MOD Covenant Funds all require diligent preparation.	
8.	Next meeting. 7pm Tuesday 15 March at Centre 81.	