

MINUTES from the GCC meeting held in CENTER 81 Old School Rd Garelochhead on Tuesday 15th March at 7.00 pm

PRESENT	Watson Robinson Adam Rodger Margaret Stratton Maurice Corry	Convenor(WR) Secretary(AR) Treasurer(MS) A & B Councillor(MCo)
APOLOGIES	George Freeman Martin Croft Colin Smith Russel White	Robert McIntyre Dorothy Hughes Denise Donald
ATTENDING	Ian Mustaroe Kenny Dalgleish Nicola Dickson Steven Ballantyne John Wells Phil McMurray Rowland Eadie Alistair McIntyre Morvain Martin	Police-MDP (IM) Police-CMU(KD) Police Scotland(ND) Police Scotland(SB) GRPC First Responders GRPC First Responders Member of Public(RE) Member of Public(AM) Argyll Voluntary Action

Agenda Item		Action
1.	The Convenor thanked all present for attending the meeting.	
2.	The Convenor gave the apologies for those persons absent and established that there were no declarations of interest.	
3.	Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19 January accepted. Proposed Margaret Stratton, Seconded Watson Robinson.	
4.	MM raised a couple of issues. On behalf of Wendy Graham, there is funding and support available for provision of afterschool care/childminder services. On behalf of Alison McKenzie of Early Years Services, who is concerned at the small number of new Mums who are applying for Grant Support. Applicants for Grant Support should contact Alison or Janette McGourlay at New Council Buildings Helensburgh. MC offered to speak to Gordon at Centre 81 regarding an after school club and to let him know there was funding available. The suggestion was something modelled on the Backchat morning	

	and evening club in Helensburgh RE raised the matter of speeding and is still awaiting data from the traffic survey carried out some months ago.	
5	Matters arising from minutes Reports. Police Scotland Incidents Theft of Fuel oil from a tank in Feorlin Way – a large volume stolen. Telephone scam- Fraudsters posing as bank officials soliciting personal details appear to be targeting the elderly. Housbreaking - property in Glen Fruin. Public disorder – a female has been arrested and charged for causing issues near the school. Notice issued to Parents by the school.	
	MDP A report of suspicious people on the beach at Ardpeaton had been made. Rural Watch schemes are up and running and a new security marking system for Plant and Machinery is being rolled out.	
	CMU (Clyde Marine Unit) KD gave an overview of the resources and remit of the CMU. With 3 RIBs at Faslane and 2 boats on the Clyde patrolling Loch Long, Loch Goil and Coulport, the CMU works with Marinas (Largs, Inverkip, Sandpoint and Rhu) and runs a boatwatch register, details of which given in leaflets to be distributed via local mooring associations. The CMU works to be a buffer between Military and Civilians. Contact CMU direct through the base or via Police Scotland. RE asked for assistance with disposal of out of date flares. KD/IM agreed to check procedure and pass on information to RE. Complaints received concerning the unsightly mooring barge in the small craft moorings. Plans to give notice to remove are in place.	
	GRPC (Garelochhead and Rosneath Peninsula Community) First Responders gave a presentation detailing the equipment, role and history of the First Responders. Defibrillators are located at Cove Burgh Hall, Knockderry, Eureka(GHead), 3 Villages Hall and Rosneath Caravan Park. Community First Responders respond to calls via the Ambulance Service and bridge the 10 minute gap before the ambulance	



arrives. Recruiting will take place in the next 6 to 9 months. Training in how to use the defibrillator takes 2-3 hours in groups of up to 12. Any members of the community interested in attending a training session should give their contact detaails to the Sec (AR).

The First Responders started in Oct 13 and have had 367 calls, an average of 13 pcm. In Dec 14 - 1 call per day. As the First Responders were beginning to demonstrate their skills and equipment they received a call and left to attend the emergency.

Planning - Apologies CS

Treasurer

£104.97 balance. MS advised that the bank required new signatories to provide ID. AR and WR to complete process at Helensburgh Branch.

Convenor

Memorial Bench WR and AR to review/refurbish. Bench to be painted – red for Christopher Angus.

Bendarroch Park - proposal to contact Gary to find out if he is still interested/involved.

AM suggested that The Garelochhead Beach Clean be scheduled for May. Possible funding sources.

Argyll Coast and Countryside Trust, Council Development Officer – Audrey Baird Local Area Comittee

Commander Hale, Base re plant and machinery.

Arrochar Beach Clean as template.

MC

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Centre 81 - getting through what have been difficult times. Received Armed Forces grant of £18k. The Three Lochs Hostel should generate considerable income.

Council Budget has a Regeneration Fund.

This Rural regeneration is to be pointed to Rosneath Peninsula and Garelochhead. The fund is looking for applications for projects to improve the village. An example is Arrochar Braeside Store promenade, a project to infill part of the shore to provide improved car parking in the village and a larger pedestrian area.

AOCB Following the excellent talks and presentations by Sgt Dalgleish and GRPC First Responders time was short and no

	other business considered.	
7	Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 19 April (Then Tues 17 May)	