

MINUTES OF MEETING of Garelochhead Community Council held at the Gibson Hall, Garelochhead on Tuesday April 28th 2015

PRESENT: Colin Taylor, Convenor (CT)

Martin Croft, Vice Convenor (MC)
Colin Smith Member (Planning) (CS)
Margaret Stratton Member (Treasurer) (MS)

Caroline Colquhoun Member (CC) Stella Irving Member (SI)

APOLOGIES: Robert McIntyre A & B Councillor (RM)

Maurice Cory
George Freeman
Andrew Crawford

A&B Councillor (MC)
A & B Councillor (GF)
Police Scotland (AC)

ATTENDING: Deirdre Henderson A&B Council Macmillan Cancer

Information and Support Services

Gary Greenall Community Council seconded

6 members of the public

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Agenda		Action
Item		
1.	The Convenor welcomed everyone to the meeting	
2.	The Convenor conveyed the apologies for those persons absent due mainly	
	for their involvement of the forth coming general election and established	
	there were no declarations of interest	
3.	Acceptance of the Minutes of the meeting held on 20 th January 2015 was	
	proposed by CT and seconded by CC.	
4.	There was no police report available	
5.	Macmillan Cancer Information and Support Service @Argyll & Bute	CT
	Libraries	
	Deirdre Henderson	
	A presentation by Deirdre Henderson of Macmillan Cancer Information and	
	Support Service @Argyll & Bute Libraries was given to the members of the	
	community council and attending visitors to give insight into the Macmillan	
	Cancer Information and Support Service which will be opening a branch in	
	the Helensburgh Library from September 2015	
	The Helensburgh drop in service will facilitate talking and chatting over	
	issues and conditions pertaining to cancer, often this will be with family	
	members including children, the carers involved and for those persons with	



	the condition. The service will provide an array of brochures covering all aspects of the different services available including for example; managing your money, work place management, travel insurance, will making and power of attorney. There will also be available DVD's with top tips demonstrating an array of physical exercises to enable easier movement etc. Over all the service is designed to deliver a holistic approach to aiding any persons affected directly or indirectly by cancer in a relaxed setting with hot drinks available Deirdre also requested that the organization welcomes those who would be interested in training for this service (expenses paid) to get in contact with her	
	The Drop in service will be available at the Helensburgh Library once a week, likely to be a Monday. There will be a consultation day on Tuesday 19 th May between 11.00AM and 18.30 PM for those who would like to attend to discuss aspects of this service and its setting within the library	
	Deirdre Henderson can be contacted at deirdre.henderson@argyll-bute.gov.uk	
6. (a)	Planning - CS reported on matters of planning and it was agreed there were no issues requiring further attention of the Community Council Treasurer Report – MS reported the GCC's current balance as being 1637.69 pounds	
6. (b)	MS reported on the matter of Jim Hill (access issue) Margaret stated that the matter is progressing, a meeting with Cambell Diverty from Argyll and Bute Roads Department has been arranged and a letter to Mr R Templeton, Estates Surveyor of Scottish Water has be sent as part of the ongoing business with this matter	MS
6(c)	Speeding – An e-mail from Rowland Eadie regarding the petition signatures from concerned residents has been requested. A progress report from Robert Macintyre to Argyll and Bute Council regarding road speed signs will be sought by MC	MC
6(d)	Memorial Bench - MC reports this matter is ongoing	MC
6(e)	Village Fountain - Clarification on colour was sought by CC to members – It was agreed that the village fountain should be displayed in its original colour which will be green with gold edging	CC
6(f)	Bendarroch Park - GG stated he was hopeful that things were looking favourable with the Bendarroch Park play equipment provision but was awaiting the findings of the consultation of the Armed Forces Covenant taking in place in May. Matter ongoing	GG



	He stated also that he is awaiting a response from Stuart McCracken of Argyll and Bute Council Parks Department reference the disposal of the fallen tree within the park	GG & CC
	Regarding the refurbishment of the changing rooms this matter is still ongoing	GG
6(g)	Medical Centre - MC reports he is awaiting reply from NHS Highland Council and on receipt of this information he will apprise the GCC members of the response. MS stated that the figure for 'no shows' for those who had made appointments for the surgery last month was 54 –Matter ongoing	MC
6(h)	Japanese Knotweed - CT to e-mail GF for an update on the treatment to dispose of the weed on the shore that took place last year.	СТ
6(i)	Road Repairs - GG stated that the village road repairs as discussed previously have still not been carried out. CT to e-mail George Freeman for an update on village road repairs	СТ
6(j)	New Business - Barry Lang of the Garelochhead Oil Fuel Depot (GOFD) contacted the GCC and requested to attend the next meeting to discuss the extension of the 30 mph zone out of Garelochhead to beyond the entrance/egress of the GOFD and Rowmore. He stated that the GOFD have been monitoring their vehicular movement to and from the depot and there have been several near misses with public traffic due to the combination of the slower turning of large fuel laden vehicles turning in an area of limited vision within a national speed limit zone	СТ
7 (j) (i)	Wheelie Bins – GG stated that he has counted 37 wheelie bins present on the kerb side outside of bin collection times. He is concerned that the owners of which are not complying with council rules that wheelie bins must only be presented for uplift of rubbish within the appropriate schedule laid down by A&B Council. This has already resulted in the spilling of rubbish on to the streets in times of windy weather CT to email GF on this matter	СТ
7(j) (ii)	Beach Clean – Alistair Macintyre (Member of the Public) enquired as to whether there were any plans for beach cleaning this year. This is an ongoing matter and CT will speak to the prospective parties with a view to highlighting the plight of keeping our village beach clean and the collective means by which this may be achievable on a long term basis, He will report back for the next meeting	СТ
	The date for the next Garelochhead Community Council will be on Tuesday 16 th June at 1900hrs and will be held at the Gibson Hall	

