

WEST KINTYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held at Glenbarr Hall

8th September 2015

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

Present:

Margaret Pratt (MP) (Convenor), Linda McCrae (L McC) (Vice Convener), Michele Seddon (MSe), Lee Bastow (LB), Robert Campbell (RC),

Apologies:

Zofija Sloan (ZS), Christine O'Hanlon (COH), Michael Kelly (MK), Margaret Souden (MS),

In Attendance:

3 member of the public.
A Horn (AH)

1. Welcome and apologies,
MP welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Presentation:

A presentation from RES on the proposed new project. It was announced that they were in the early stages of looking at developing another windfarm in Kintyre. This would be on Killean Estate and up to 50MW and up to 20 turbines, therefore a section 36 application. They hope to have their scoping request to the Scottish Government by end of September and will then start all the relevant assessments etc needed prior to the planning application. Depending on the eventual size of the wind farm they say they are hoping to go to planning or Scottish Govt. at the end of 2016.

RES announced that they were to meet with WKCC and Tarbert/Skipness CC the following Monday to discuss the setting up of the Freasdail Trust.

3. Minutes:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 09th July 2015 were proposed and seconded by LMcC and MS.

3. Declarations of interest:

None

4. Matters Arising:

The rental agreement for Glenbarr Hall has been agreed.

Lack of police presence at meetings – Anne Horn will contact Mellissa Stewart and asked to forward the request to the local police force.

MP & MK attended the Audit Scotland Event.

Following the local by-election Duncan Macalister has been elected unopposed, resulting in the need for the West Kintyre Wind Farm Trust (WKWFT) to co-opt one more member from the community.

Tangy 3 wind farm has been agreed and WKDT is progressing in its initiation.

5. Police Report

No Police present.

6. Correspondence.

- Government Training dates – all will be emailed out.
- Development Plan for Community Councils – all to look at and respond to.
- Users of Muasdale Surgery are to contact MP regarding consultation on health care from the surgery.
- Electoral boundary issues; these were discussed and it was agreed that MP would take the matter up with ABC intimating that WKCC were not in favour of making any changes.
- Help to Adapt – for people over 60 who want to stay in their own homes. – leaflet available.
- Letter of objection for Creggans/Blary Hill received – MP to deal with it.

8. Community Liaison Group.

It was decided that Rhunahaorin is probably the place at which most turbines from the Good Energy site will be visible.

West Coast Energy are proposing 14 turbines at up to 150m high. Potentially it will be 6 years before construction begins.

MP and LB to attend the meeting called by the Reporter to consider the Creggans and Blary Hill wind farms (Glenbarr).

9. Treasurers Report.

Not given.

10. AOCB.

The signs at Glenbarr (on the A83) appear to be sited incorrectly. It has been agreed that a letter will be written to Bear Scotland to ask them to site them correctly.

The roof has fallen in at the Lodge in Clachan. AH is to let the Enforcement officer know and will report back to the WKCC regarding progress on this matter.

The shed at Kilchenzie has fallen down. A discussion between RC and ACHA is ongoing regarding the insurance of the play park and the adoption of the park.

Emergency bag is kept at RC's house in the meantime.

The meeting ended at 21.30

Date and time of next meeting:

Monday 9th November 2015 – 7.30pm