

WEST KINTYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held at Whitehouse village hall
11th July 2016

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

1. Present: Margaret Pratt (MP) (Convenor), Linda McCrae (LMcC)(Vice-Convenor), Margaret Soudan (MS)(Treasurer), Duncan McAlister (DMcA), Morag Branson (MB)(Acting Secretary).

2. Apologies: Jennifer Taylor, Christine O'Hanlon, Zofija Sloan. Michele Seddon. Cllr Robin Currie. Sgt. Elaine Ross (by phone)

3. In Attendance:

Members of public- 4 present. Councillors- none present.

4. Welcome: MP welcomed all to meeting. MP received the resignation, due to work commitments, of Robert Campbell and thanked him for his service.

5. Minutes:

Minutes of meeting in Glenbarr 16th May 2016
Proposed by LMcC. seconded by DMcA.

6. Matters Arising:

1. Glenbarr cottages signage..Complaint received from member of the community of replacement road-sign removed by Bear Scotland from Glenbarr cottages. As the sign will not be reinstated, DMcA and MB were tasked with having a discussion with residents to try to find a solution.

7. Declarations of Interest: None

8. Police Report: Not present, but report given to MB over the phone and is as follows:

Two reports of erratic driving.

Two non-injury and one serious road traffic accident.

Male arrested for drunk driving in Muasdale.

Two cases of vandalism, 1 in Gigha and at Rhonachan.

9. Community Liaison Group: MP and LmcC attended meeting by Burcote to discuss community benefit scheme. It was felt that the proposal was expensive and could not be recommended. Clachaig Glen proposed community benefit fund which was felt to be more realistic. All dependent on permission being granted.

RES liaison planning group are meeting in Tayinloan On 21st July, LmcC to report back.

10. Community Action Plan: Next stage is to review and update CAP. It was decided a local steering group/short-term focus group needs set up for this. Members of school councils, youth groups and hall committees for e.g. in all communities will be invited to attend an initial meeting in Whitehouse village hall on Aug 8th at 7:30pm. All CC's are responsible for asking relevant people they feel should be included in the focus group.

11. Development Trust: MP has spoken to Catherine McWilliam from Development Trust Association Scotland (DTASCOT), who informed MP that a caseworker will be allocated to assist with process as DT is formulated. MP emailed CC members the info re-DT's which explains the procedure involved.

12. Locality Planning Group Report: Meeting was in Campbeltown hospital training room on 8th July to finalise the LPG action plan and identify key priorities for services. Proposed savings of approx £400,000 discussed. MP stressed importance of retaining present services at Muasdale surgery. It is understood that 2 new doctors have been appointed by Campbeltown surgery, which is taking over the running of Muasdale surgery. There continues to be a lack of communication in particular re- Muasdale surgery as MP reported having to reassure many residents concerned about rumours of surgery closing.

13. AOCB: Member of the public questioned the appearance on hard standing above bend between Glenbarr and Muasdale of various vehicles. DmcA reassured that this was a temporary tarmac team, due to chip and tar local roads.

Meeting ended at 21:30pm

Date and Place of next meeting: Clachan village hall 12th September at 7:30pm. Next Windfarm Trust meeting is 18th October