

WEST KINTYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held in Clachan village hall 16th Sept 2018 at 7:30pm

1. Present:

Margaret Pratt (MP) (Convenor), Linda McCrae (LMCC) (Vice Convenor), Morag Branson (MB) (Secretary), Michele Seddon (Mse), Christine O'Hanlon (CO'H), Duncan Macalister (DM)

2. Apologies:

Jennifer Taylor, Margaret Soudan, Zofija Sloan, Mr & Mrs Fair

3. In Attendance:

Councillors – Robin Currie, Alastair Redman. Area Police Inspector Julie McLeish. Members of the public – 2 and local reporter

The sincerest condolences of the CC and wider community, particularly of Clachan village, is extended here to the family of Mike Stanesby

Mike was such a presence in so many groups and activities which will feel the loss acutely.

He touched the lives of everyone he came into contact with and will be sorely missed by all.

We send our support to Louise, and family at this particularly difficult time.

4. Police Report:

Some opportunistic crimes noted involving commercial properties In and around Lochgilphead but nothing of note in this area. There is ongoing road campaigns including targetting speeding and use of mobile phones. Also a campaign regarding sheep worrying in conjunction with NFU. Local force is in process of recruitment and is healthily resourced.

2 issues brought up; Lack of signage at entrance to tree felling, and poster advertising homes in Argyll in Greenock prison. The signage is not a requirement unless a traffic system is needed and care should be taken by all road users. There is no truth in posters in Greenock prison and resident who brought this up was informed of this.

5. Presentation of New Constellation Wind Farm by Neil Reid:

Neil as project manager, outlined in great detail the proposed plans for at least 11 and not less than 9 turbines at a proposed height of 150metres high positioned between the present wind farms of Cours and Freasdale situated on the Kintyre peninsula and accessed off the main A83.

The application is expected to be submitted early next year. This is a section 36.

Neil explained that due to already extensive road at site, that very little will be needed to complete access. The site contains 2 substations and Neil was unaware of proposed forest at Talatoll and will take this knowledge into consideration.

Considerable ornithological surveys have been carried out over past two years to plot all species and populations relevant to site.

Following MP's input on behalf of CC, further viewing sites were added with one or two still to be done.

The hydrology of the area was discussed, in particular the ongoing worry over drainage and flooding for residents in Clachan. Also the fish farm owners have been spoken to by Neil.

Further discussions will be conducted in the near future.

6. Minutes of meeting in Whitehouse hall 16th July 2018 agreed as a true record.

7. Matters Arising:

1) Road closure in Muasdale for 5 nights from 7th October. There have been previous discussion with Bear Scotland re a foot path at same location but no further forward atm. Two nights of road closures North of Clachan 24/25th Oct between 7pm and 7am. Vehicles will be allowed through at 8/10/12/2/and 4 am and emergencies at all times.

2) There is no involvement with proposed fish farm for WKCC.

3) Resilient communities conference if anyone wish to attend details circulated to members.

4) A & B procurement consultation online until 28th September.

8. Declarations of Interest:

None delared

9. Correspondence:

1) Partnership working meeting to be held at Burnett building on Tues at 10.30, MP and MB will attend.

2) Online survey on recent training days by A & B council closes on 30th Sept.

10. Community Liaison Group (CLG):

Killean - MP responded to revised scheme keeping same objections in place.
Clachaig Glen – Appeal hearing in January 2019
Tangy 1V – Sec 36 Application going to Reporters

11. Kintyre Medical Group (KMG):

Very successful survey results. 23 online 500 postal. Drop-in events as follows:
31st Oct Tayinloan at 2pm
7th Nov Gigha at 1pm
28th Nov Dunaverty at 7.30pm. Posters in notice boards

12. Development Trust (DVT):

Nothing new to report

13. West Kintyre Community Fund (WKCF):

There are 7 bursaries now running. 4 university, 2 FE college, 1 apprenticeship and 1 start up.

14. AOCB:

Resident in Clachan where water pipe replacement is currently in motion, enquired if stand pipes or similar could be set up due to issues related to water disconnections. Await reply from local team.
Anne Horn will be asked to apply for funds for ferry group.

15. Action Log:

Action Point	Minute	Person Responsible	Action	Outcome
5.14	8	AH	Standing water at W/house	Resolved
1.6	6	MSe	Glenbarr cottage sign	Closed
3.20	12.2	AH	Resiting recycle bins at Glenbarr	Still hoping to relocate
5.15	12.2	AH	Damaged bus shelter W/House	Repaired