WEST KINTYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held at Tayinloan Village Hall 17th March 2014 at 7.30pm

Unconfirmed Minutes

Present:

Lee Bastow (LB) (Convenor), Margaret Pratt (MP) (Vice Convenor), Linda McCrae (L McC), Christine O'Hanlon (C OH), Zofija Sloan (ZS) (Secretary), Michele Seddon (MSe), Lorraine Aitken (LA), Robert Campbell (RC).

In Attendance:

Anne Horn (AH), John McAlpine (J McA), Rory Colville (RC)
One member of the public. Two representatives from E.ON, one from Forestry Commission

1. Welcome and apologies,

At 7.30pm Lee Bastow welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies from Margaret Souden

2. Minutes:

Proposed and seconded as a true and accurate record by Margaret Pratt and Linda McCrae respectively

3. Matters Arising:

See attached sheet.

AH will investigate the situation regarding bus shelters at Whitehouse – no light and Glenbarr – no shelter.

J McA reported that a new sign was on order for Clachan Village Hall. He will investigate the problem drainage at the bus stop in Clachan too.

4. E.ON Presentation.

Representatives from E.ON, who are proposing construction of a wind farm at Clachaig Glen, discussed with members they're proposed next steps in the consultation process. It was decided that the setting up of a Community Liaison Group would be most suitable in engaging with the public. A wire frame workshop would be part of the process allowing members of the local community to be involved with the design of the proposed wind farm. E.ON will agree dates for CLG and inform the WKCC when these will be. WKCC will assist in making sure that all members of the community have the opportunity to be part of this process.

5. Communication.

Mr. Berguis forwarded a copy of a report that he has commissioned as part of his objection to Creggans Wind Farm.

A letter from Double Click Broadband was read out, support for the rolling out of better broadband speeds throughout Kintyre, especially Clachan and Whitehouse, was sought and it was agreed that ZS will write offering support.

A response to the request for support for a Foodbank in Campbeltown was given, that the WKCC supported this initiative but physical support would be difficult bearing in mind the rural nature of the area and members commitments.

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6. Police Report

No representative from Police Scotland was present.

7. Treasurers Report.

No Treasurers Report.

8. AOCB

Discussion of where funds from wind farms goes; 60% to ABC for regional support of energy efficiency in homes, reported that this was given to ALIenergy. 40% to WKWFT to disperse within local community. MP to write to Audrey Martin requesting an overview of current and expected community benefits from existing and proposed developments.

LA discussed current banking arrangements for WKWFT and that she will update mandates etc to include new members of WKWFT.

The lack of police presence at WKCC meetings was noted and it was agreed to write to Barry McEwan asking for better attendance.

A satisfaction survey was completed and ZS will forward it to ABC as requested.

MS reported on recent CLG meeting for Creggans Wind Farm, Glenbarr.

Emergency bags were allocated to Glenbarr and Tayinloan. LB to divide up the bag that she has so that Clachan and Whitehouse both have suitable supplies in each bag.

Date and time of next meeting:

AGM A'Cleit Hall, Muasdale, on 12th May 2014 at 19.30 followed by WKCC meeting.

Meeting closed at 22.00