# WEST KINTYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held in Tayinloan hall 19th November 2018 at 7:30pm

## **UNCONFIRMED MINUTES**

#### 1. Present:

Margaret Pratt (MP) (Convenor), Linda McCrae (LmcC) (Vice Convenor), Morag Branson (MB) (Secretary), Zofija Sloan (ZS), Christine O'Hanlon (CO'H), Duncan Macalister (DM), Jennifer Taylor (JT)

#### 2. Apologies:

Michele Seddon, Margaret Soudan

#### 3. In Attendance:

Councillors – Anne Horn, Robin Currie. PS Alasdair MacLaren. Members of the public – 4 and local reporter.

WKCC wish to place on the record their sincere condolences on the recent untimely death of Rev. Catriona Hood. She was latterly the hub minister for Kintyre and previously head teacher of Tarbert Academy and Campbeltown Grammar school.

She will be sorely missed by all those who knew her.

## 4. Police Report:

PS MacLaren gave the report with little of note in WK area. Main issue of speeding yet again discussed with advice given with regard to jurisdictions.

**6. Minutes of meeting** in Clachan hall 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018 proposed by DM and seconded by CO'H

## 7. Matters Arising:

- 1) UOG consultation being conducted into unconventional oil & gas (fracking) was explained and link provided. The consultation closes on 18<sup>th</sup> December
- 2) Westport beach survey conducted into what the public would like to see in regards to future amenities in and around Westport. Main issues noted to be inclusion of toilets and showers with protection of habitat seen as very important with issues of fires and dog/human fouling seen as detracting from that.

Next steps discussed and there was overall agreement to look into costs and how to implement them with the proposal put forward of money being set aside, with caveats, of approx £50,000 +vat to help in process with view of this becoming a community asset. More work in regard to possible project will be taken forward.

- 3) Budget consultation proposals by Argyll & Bute council discussed with jobs, education, environmental and roads the most important considerations. Some ideas on funding i.e. Council buying into a turbine/wind farm were put forward and these will be included in oursubmission to consultation.
- 4) Cour funding stream is unlike any which has been used locally with much yet to discuss on how the joint committee is set up and when it will meet etc. Octopus investments will oversee much of the fund which will be online only. Fund opened on 1<sup>st</sup> November and will run until 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Forms and details from: <a href="https://www.besci.org.uk">www.besci.org.uk</a>

5) Future road closure and warning signs. This has become a very emotive issue which has affected so many and which has become a major topic of complaint to members of CC. An email will be sent to all parties including Transport Scotland and Ministers.

**UPDATE:** Email sent, with replies by all relevant bodies who will work out solutions which we will hopefully receive by next CC meeting. Copy of email attached to minutes.

- 6) Sewer works in Clachan. Proposals by Scottish Water were deemed unacceptable and a redesign of whole scheme is the option going forward.
- 7) Talatoll forest. Conservators decision due next week or so which will aid in the determination of grant for the forest development. **UPDATE:** Conservator has now given planning permission. ACON. Flood criteria change with consultants to look at flood relief scheme package of 2022-26 by next June and needs to be ready to put forward to Scottish government for consideration of inclusion. Water gauges and meters in place.

## 7. Declaration of Interest:

None declared

## 8. Correspondence:

Received newsletter from Scottish flood forum dealing with communities preparedness for winter flooding and weather warnings.

# 9. Community Liaison Group (CLG):

Auchadaduie turbines in place no date for connection to grid as yet.

Blary Hill due to start soon.

Earscart passed on appeal

Clachaig Glen. Revised visualisations due to increased blade size agreed to be included by Reporters. Hearing along with Killean due in Jan.

Killean. New transport plan put forward last week on 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. Main issues of contention are increase of blade length to 57.3 mts, removal of two turbines and the totally unrealistic traffic disruptions put forward in plan. MP will add comments and objections and send these responses which have to be in by next Tues.

High Constellation. Open days planned

## 10. Kintyre Medical Group (KMG):

Following recent survey results, various drop-in events were to be undertaken but the cancellation of the Tayinloan event with no new one scheduled has raised complaints of lack of communication. Anne Horn will take up this issue and seek a resolution.

## 11. AOCB:

Planning issues raised with proposed chalets in Clachan. Objections from locals, A&B council roads dept and SEPA. Await next stage. **UPDATE:** Application has now been withdrawn.

#### 12. Action Log:

Action Point	Minute	Person Responsible	Action	Outcome
3.20	12.2	AH	Resiting Glenbarr recycle bins	Ongoing
5.15	6.2	МВ	Knotweed eradication	Ongoing
9.18	7.1	All	Glenbarr Stores signage	Not yet completed

7.17	13	MP	Talatoll forest	Awaiting grant decision
6.3	7.16	ZS/MB	Update website	Ongoing
7.2	11.19	All	Westport beach survey	Project proposed toilet/shower
7.5	11.19	MB	Road closure issues	Email sent and initial reply received

Next WKCC meeting: January 21st 2019 A'Chleit at 7.20pm

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All welcome