

ARDENTINNY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MEETING HELD 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2013

Present; Val Kennedy, Malcolm Bartley, Eileen Connell, Marian Norris.

Apologies; Dennis Gower, Stephen Johnstone, Roy Harrison.

Others present; Bruce Marshall, David McKenzie (National Park), David McDowall.

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Declaration of Interest None.

Minute of meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> August.

Proposed Eileen Connell Seconded Marian Norris.

Matters Arising from Minute.

An update was given in regard to the Himalayan Knotweed in the field at the rear of the Swedish Houses. This has been dealt with by residents.

Treasurer's Report

Expenditure	Scottish Rights of Way	£20.00
Income	Nil	
Bank Balance		£2,175.24

Malcolm reported that Shirley McLeod had contacted him to confirm she had received the audited accounts.

Secretary's Report

Notices will be put up to inform any interested parties.

Police Report.

P.C. McKay was not available so there was no report.

A question had been raised in regard to the safety of the children in the village especially as there are will be more children with Actual Reality fully functioning. It was agreed that this will be put on the agenda for the next meeting. Aidan will be informed of this.

## Forestry Commission

Representative unable to attend. No report.

## Councillor's Report.

Bruce reported that the spraying of Japanese Knotweed on the roadside along the shore has not yet been done. It was acknowledged that the sightlines are badly affected by this. Bruce will speak with roads department again. The training programme for dealing with JK is in the spring so there is time for a volunteer to be identified.

Bruce had been informed that the signs at the Larach have been done.

The 20% budget cuts have been postponed so the toilets will remain open at present at least to February when the budgets will be looked at again.

The closing date for nominations for community councillors is now past.

Val explained to Bruce that new information had been found out about the need for a Data Protection licence. The purchase of this will be put on hold until more details are investigated.

A local resident has asked if there could be communication with West Coast Motors to ask if they could stop throwing rubbish out at the Glenfinart terminus. Bruce will contact

## National Park Report

David McKenzie informed of the launch of Wildlife 2020. Further information can be gained from the website.

Linda McKay (Convener National Park) wishes to visit Ardentinny and see some of the features of the village. She will meet with Marian and Eileen on 23<sup>rd</sup> October who will identify some of the interesting features.

David gave an overview of the successful Open Day held in Kilmun.

## Planning Day

David clarified the process of the NP Open Day. It was agreed that he would speak with Stuart Mearns to confirm a date. November 16<sup>th</sup> was a suggested day.

Community Grant funding is available to Community Councils and Community Trusts. One is for £750 for admin costs and another for £1500 for projects. It

was unclear which of these grants have been applied for by Community Trust. Val will contact Dennis to find out.

#### Project Funding

A request from Community Trust had been received for funding for paths. After discussion and vote it was unanimously agreed that this request would be turned down. Val will inform the Community Trust of this decision.

#### Village Pictorial Notice Board.

A suggestion had been made that the Community Council provide a pictorial notice board to be erected around the area of the car park. Some investigation has been done in regard to price, landowner etc. It was unanimously agreed to take this project forward. Agreement that an application would be made to National Park Community Grant funding for the notice board. Marian agreed to do this.

#### Planning

A planning application has been put in for 3 houses to be built in the land where the Anchorage is. Notices have been up on the board to inform residents. No objections have been received by CC.

A planning application for mobile mast in the Stronchullin area. This may benefit the reception received in the area. No objections received.

AOCB A report from Hall Committee was distributed to CC members as requested at last meeting. No issues from the report.

A request that the pre-agenda meetings are held on an evening other than Tuesday. It was agreed that a Thursday would be suitable.

Since the above meeting Community Council elections have taken place and an Inaugural meeting of the new committee has been arranged.

Inaugural Meeting	Thursday 28th November 7pm
Pre- agenda meeting	Thursday 28th November
Community Council meeting	December 3rd December 7.30pm