Draft copy. Minutes will be adopted at June meeting

MINUTE OF MEETING OF ARDENTINNY COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD IN ARDENTINNY VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 01 APRIL 2014 AT 7.30PM

Present

Val Kennedy (Convener), Eileen Connell, Dennis Gower, Malcolm Bartley

(Treasurer), Roy Harrison (Secretary), Bill Williamson

Apologies

Stephen Johnston, Marian Norris

Present

Councillor Bruce Marshall, Councillor Gordon Blair, David McDowall, Bill

Bincham, Elaine Allan, Lynn Kerr, Linda Naismith, Anna Williamson, Rob

Bray, Vicky Fairley

Apologies

P.C. Donald Mackay, David McKenzie (National Park), David Robertson

(Forestry Commission), Aidan Docherty (Actual Reality),

Declaration of Interest:

Nil

Minute of February Meeting

The Chair asked if the minute was a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Matters arising:

An extensive discussion took place regarding a paragraph which a Community Councillor had requested was added to the minute of the February meeting. There was disagreement by several other councillor's as it was felt that the details of the paragraph were inaccurate.

A further amendment was requested with regards to planning.

The minutes for February were amended accordingly, but are yet to be adopted formally.

Treasurers Report

Malcolm Bartley reported on the following:

Malcolm commented on the administration grant and gave details on what it covered and encouraged councillors to claim expenses accordingly. Audited accounts will be presented at the AGM

Secretary Report

Letters received as follows:

Police Report

Not Available for meeting (see attachment subsequently received)

Forestry Commission Report

Not Available

Councillor's Report

Councillor Marshall reported on the following:

Roads, there are to be no work on any roads in the local area. Convener pointed out that if you report large potholes to the local authorities they are obliged to repair them soonest. Broadband work will start soon within Dunoon installing the 'super fast' broadband system and this will roll out to surrounding villages within Argyll in the next 4 years. Ardentinny Community Trust has been granted ± 2000 from the Third sector grant. 2 traffic wardens will soon be operating within the Dunoon area. Riverside road to be repaired to the minimum level due to a shortfall in funding.

National Park Report

Not Available for meeting (see attachment subsequently

received)

Actual Reality

Not Available

Green Energy

Rob Bray reported on the following:

Updated the Meeting on the wind turbine application which has been act to lead

At a previous meeting Bill Williamson had raised concerns in regard MOD COURSET to safety levels at Coulport and Faslane, Val Kennedy had been in contact with RNAD and gave a report in regard to the findings. MoD advised that accessing SEPA reports may be a way of checking that safety checks and records are up to date.

A further question of whether there was a precedent of MoD representatives attending Community Councils was clarified. During the building of the Coulport facility, Property Services Agency (PSA) attended meetings to inform the residents of several aspects of the facility.

As there had been concerns over the preceding week in regard to loud explosions taking place at Coulport, Val Kennedy as convener agreed to allow this discussion to take place despite it not featuring on the agreed agenda. The main concern was that there had been no forewarning of this activity from MoD. A robust discussion took place. As the person who has been identified to liaise between the Community Council and the MoD, Val Kennedy had communicated with them and passed on the concerns of several residents. This evoked an apology from MoD and assurances that they will keep us informed if further disruptive work will take place.

Val Kennedy was asked to produce the emails sent between herself and MoD, however, due to some confidential information contained in the emails (addresses) she was unable to do this as she would breach confidentiality rules, however Val will present a synopsis of the information. It was agreed that Val Kennedy Community Council Convener will invite MoD representatives to a meeting.

Due to the time taken to discuss HMS Coulport the meeting was ended by the convener, any points missed may be brought up at the next meeting.

Meeting Ended

Next meetings:

Pre-agenda Meeting Tuesday 20 May 2014 @ 7.30pm
Annual General Meeting Tuesday 03 June 2014 @ 7pm - 7.20pm
Community Council Meeting Tuesday 03 June 2014 @ 7.30pm

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