

INVERKIP AND WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the Business Meeting
Thursday 1st August 2013 at 7.00pm
Wemyss Bay Community Centre

Present: Eileen Virtue (Interim Chair), David Adams; Isobel Rennie; Jean Anderson (Interim Treasurer), , Paul Cassidy, Cliff Lyons, Alison Clark, Tracy Bunton

2. Apologies for absence: Liz Mackenzie, Robert McKenzie

In attendance: Cllr. L. Rebecchi; Cllr. I. Nelson; Cllr G Dorrian; Sgt. S. Anderson; five members of the public.

3. Police Matters

3.1 Police Report

Sgt. Anderson provided a report for period since the date of the last meeting. He informed Community Wardens are actively supporting police activity addressing incidents at Inverkip beach apprehending more than 200 15-17 year old. This includes many travelling to the area as well as residents. He went on to confirm the camp at Everton is being used and has been subject to a break in and damage similar to incidents at Bongio's and the water treatment plant. DNA and CCTV footage are being examined.

Jean read the reply to her email to British Transport Police about vandalism on the train service from Inverkip to Port Glasgow. They inform plain clothed officers will be patrolling and CCTV operators and ticket collectors have been reminded to be extra vigilant and to pass on information about activity.

Paul asked about how illegal parking on Mount Stewart Drive can be addressed. Sgt Anderson took a note of the vehicles concerned and agreed to investigate. He also agreed to report the absence of lifebelt at one of the stands at Lunderston Bay to the Local Authority Liaison Officer.

Community Council Partnership Briefing covering the period 15.5.13 – 9.7.13 is attached **Appendix 2**.

4. IWBC – New Community Councillors and Appointment of Office Bearers

Polling for the Interim Election for 5 vacancies took place in Inverkip Primary School on Tuesday 18 June 2013. New Community Councillors are:

Isobel Rennie
Paul Cassidy
Cliff Lyons
Robert McKenzie
Alison Clark

Liz Mackenzie unfortunately did not complete the appropriate nomination form so was not able to stand as a candidate however will continue as an Associate Member (without voting rights).

Treasurer: Robert McKenzie - Jean Anderson proposed and Cliff Lyons seconded
Chair Person: Eileen Virtue – Tracy Bunton proposed and Jean Anderson seconded
Secretary: Jean Anderson – Eileen Virtue proposed and Paul Cassidy seconded
Minute Secretary: Tracy Bunton (ongoing)

5. Minutes of Business Meeting held on Thursday 6 June 2013 - Matters Arising

(App1) IWBC Website

All thanked Paul for agreeing to lead the development of a new website.

(App1) Water Disruption at Carron Road

David emailed details to the 3 councillors who informed that the work is progressing with Scottish Water.

Minutes proposed as accurate by Jean Anderson and seconded by Paul Cassidy.

6.0 Pavement and Road Condition

6.1 Langhouse Road

Cllr Dorrian informed that Inverclyde Council is pursuing the Bank to confirm they have instructed action. Liz commented that it is very encouraging to see how Inverclyde Council is progressing this matter.

ACTION: Monitor progress of works at the top of Langhouse Road including Langhouse Mews

6.2 Major Planned Works

All expressed appreciation of the improvement to local roads and specifically the resurfacing of Spey Road, the speed at which works were completed with very limited disruption.

6.3 Other Roads Related Matters

Eileen reported that she contacted Scottish Water who will investigate the stand pipe at the bottom of the slip road to Hill Farm.

Jean reported that she reported that overhanging vegetation on Inverkip Main Street. She will go on to report to the Roads team about overhanging vegetation on A78 who will find out about ownership/ responsibility.

ACTION: Jean to report to Roads team about overhanging vegetation on A78

Pavement crumbling due to collapsed water pipe in Wemyss Bay – David will contact Scottish Water with details.

ACTION: David to contact Scottish Water with details of collapsed water pipes in Wemyss Bay.

Railings at the Inverkip Yacht Club – Cllr Nelson informed that AMEY are responsible for upkeep.

7.1 Secretary Report and Correspondence

The outgoing secretary was not present to provide a report.

8.0 Planning Matters

8.1 New Applications

No new applications of interest within IWBCC have been made since the date of the last meeting.

8.2 Local Development Plan

IWBCC met and agreed a response to the proposed Local Development Plan. Eileen organised the submission. The submission included recognition of fewer homes planned for MAC4 - Inverkip Power Station site than the proposed planning application in February 2011. Concern was expressed about capacity for health provision, the A78 particularly at the access to the site of the new prison.

Cllr Nelson informed he submitted an objection to the number of homes increasing the local plan of 400 homes to 600 homes.

8.3 Corlic Wind Turbine Planning Application

Eileen reported back from the well attended and chaired public meeting. Tracy suggested IWBCC should support nearby residents' objections. A member of the public reinforced Eileen's report including the site being of archaeological interest. The application was considered and it was proposed that IWBCC object to the application. A vote was taken and it was unanimously agreed to object. Eileen will organise the objection.

ACTION: Eileen to submit an objection to the application for wind turbine planning permission on Corlic Hill.

8.4 Kilmun Community Council – Cove Wind Turbine Planning Application

Cliff informed that Kilmun Community Council contacted him asking for a note of support from IWBCC to their objection to the application for wind turbines at Cove. Despite already discussing this matter at a previous meeting resulting in there being no majority to support it was agreed that given the new membership of

IWBCC it was appropriate to consider once more. Cliff agreed to email all with link to the Kilmun Community Council website and the planning application for all to consider and respond to Eileen by 8.8.13.

ACTION: Cliff to email all with link to the Kilmun Community Council website and all to respond to Eileen by 8.8.13.

9.0 Treasurer's Report

Outgoing interim treasurer Jean Anderson reported that paperwork for the bank account signatories (Paul, Eileen and Robert) is almost complete and will be submitted in due course. Tracy remains a signatory.

10.0 Inverkip Facilities

Architects are in the process of completing paperwork which will allow a formal planning application to be made. Jean and Eileen attended the meeting of the management board in June 2013 offering support of IWBCC. Eileen, Robert and Cliff who has volunteered attended July's meeting. The management board are in the process of setting up a company under the format of a Scottish Charitable Institution. The board is supported by CVS and continue to look for more members and volunteers. The next meeting is 6.8.13.

11.0 Date and time of next meeting – Thursday 5 September 2013 at 7pm in Inverkip Primary School.

Date and time of future meetings:

October 3rd - Inverkip Primary School

November 7th – Wemyss Bay Primary School

December 5th – Inverkip Primary School

January 9th – Inverkip Primary School

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12.1 Illegal Parking

Cllr Rebecchi urged everyone to report incidents of illegal parking to the police (preferably with a photograph).

12.2 Notice boards

Eileen asked the 3 councillors about how to go about obtaining permission to position 3 notice boards (to be funded by IWBCC) at Hill Farm, Langhouse Road area, Wemyss Bay shops/ school. Jean was advised to email with the proposed locations.

ACTION: Jean to email 3 councillors with the proposed locations of 3 new notice boards.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:10pm

APPENDIX 1**IWBCC ACTIONS SUMMARY – 1 August 2013**

ITEM	NEW ACTION FROM MINUTES 1.8.13	RESPONSIBLE	STATUS
6.3	Jean to report to Roads team about overhanging vegetation on A78	JA	
6.3	David to contact Scottish Water with details of collapsed water pipes in Wemyss Bay	DA	
8.3	Eileen to submit an objection to the application for wind turbine planning permission on Corlic Hill.	EV	Complete
8.4	Cliff to email all with link to the Kilmun Community Council website and all to respond to Eileen by 8.8.13	Cliff All	Complete
12.2	Jean to email 3 councillors with the proposed locations of 3 new notice boards	JA	
ACTIONS - TO BE COMPLETED FROM MINUTES 6.6.13		RESPONSIBLE	STATUS
App1	Continue to monitor road conditions and the plan to resurface and solve drainage problems on Finnockbog Road	All	Complete
App1	Liz to purchase external hard drives and securely destroy archived documentation	EM	Ongoing
App1	Liz to write to Charlie Cairns, Inverclyde Council expressing appreciation of Community Service Payback project in Wemyss Bay Woods	EM	Ongoing
App1	Monitor progress of works at the top of Langhouse Road including Langhouse Mews	All	Progressing
App1	Cllr Rebecchi to progress repair to pavement outside Inverkip Church	Cllr Rebecchi	Ongoing
App1	David to find out if the Forestry Commission will work with Inverkip Primary	DA	Ongoing
App1	IWBCC to meet to agree options for public consultation on proposed Local Development Plan	All	Complete
App1	David to email all 3 IC Councillors outlining the extent of disruption caused by Scottish Water in Carron Road	DA	Complete

APPENDIX 2

POLICE SCOTLAND



Inverkip and Wemyss Bay
Community Council Partnership Briefing
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Issues Raised Action Taken Crimes and Activity

For the 8 week period there were a reported **40 crimes**. This accounts for **2.8%** of the total crimes across Inverclyde. This is an increase of 18% from the same period of the previous year.

Greenock Central	603
Greenock East	181
Larkfield, Braeside and Branchton	112
Port Glasgow West	89
Port Glasgow East	102
Greenock Southwest	98
Holefarm and Cowdenknowes	87
Greenock West and Cardwell Bay	52
Inverkip and Wemyss Bay	40
Gourock	65
Kilmacolm	19

Table 1: Crime reported by Community Council Area

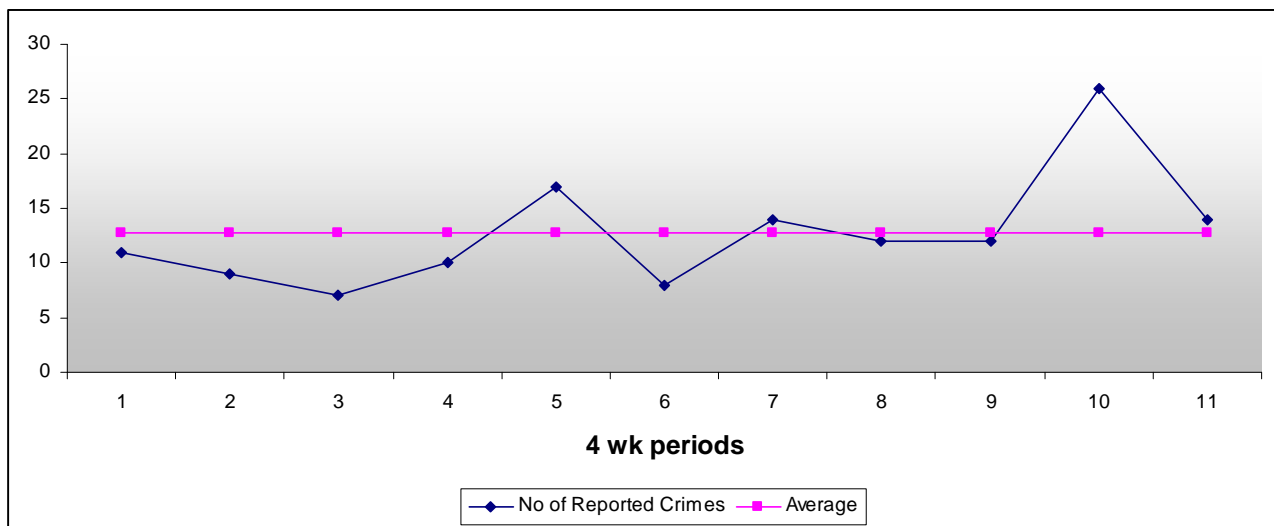


Chart: Total Crimes reported over 4 week periods.

There was a spike that was significant for the number of Crimes reported in the last 4 week period (15/05/2013 to 11/06/2013). The crime types include Common Assaults and Breach of the Peace disorder.

VIEW_DESC	Total
GROUP 3 - Housebreaking (domestic)	2
GROUP 3 - OLP other than Motor Vehicle	3
GROUP 3 - Other Crimes of Dishonesty	1
GROUP 4 - Crimes of Fire Raising, Malicious Mischief etc	10
GROUP 5 - Other Crimes	4
GROUP 6 - Miscellaneous Offences	11
GROUP 7 - Offences Relating to Motor Vehicles	4
Unknown	2
GROUP 1 - Crimes of Violence	3
Grand Total	40

Table 2: Crime types in the area

Miscellaneous Offences and Other Crimes include; Breach of Peace, Misuse of Drugs, Statutory Breach of Peace, Common Assault
 Other Crimes of Dishonesty include; Theft by shoplifting and Theft not elsewhere classified.
 Crimes of Fire Raising etc include Vandalism.

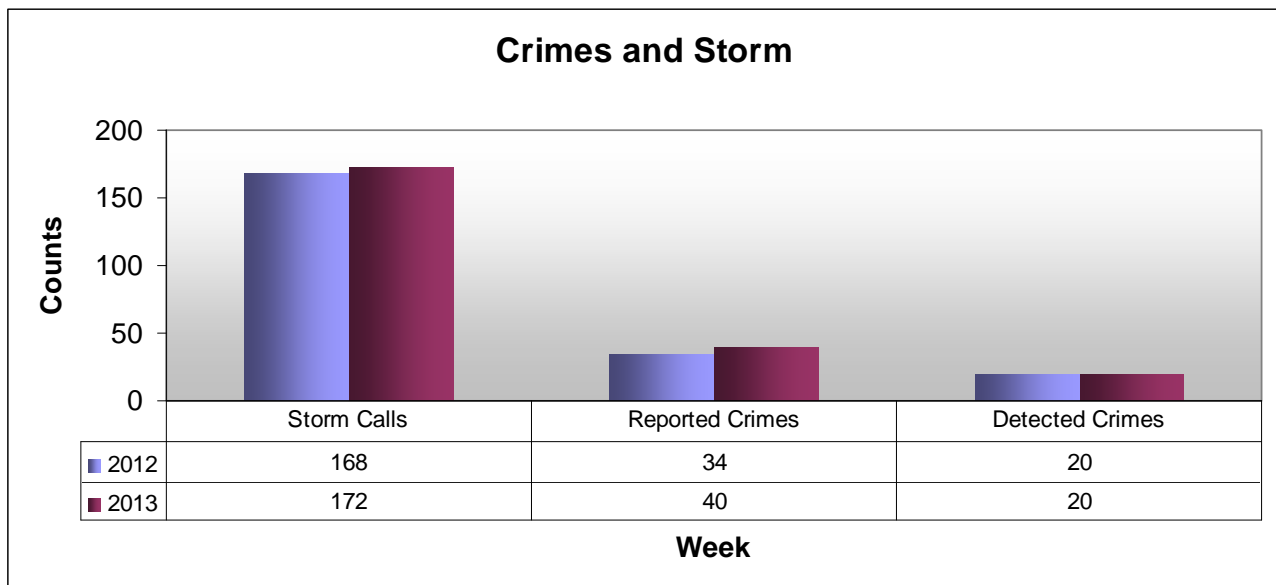


Chart 1: Yearly Change

	2012	2013	Change
Storm Calls	168	172	2%
Reported Crimes	34	40	18%
Detected Crimes	20	20	0%
Percentage Detected	59%	50%	

Table 3: Yearly Change Percentages

Road Traffic Incidences

The total of Road Traffic Incidences was **7** for the Inverkipp and Wemyss Bay Community Council area. For the same period last year there were a total of **8**.

There was 1 Speeding Offence ticket issued.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Related Incidences

For June there were 6 reported fire incidences; 1 deliberate Secondary Fires, 0 Accidental Secondary Fire, 1 Accidental Primary Dwelling Fire 2 Deliberate Primary Fires and 2 Special Service.

Primary fires generally involve property and include buildings, caravans, motor vehicles and plant and machinery. Secondary fires are often minor and include the burning of rubbish, grass and derelict properties.

Community Warden Reports

There were 36 calls to the Community Wardens Service from Inverkip and Wemyss Bay Community Council area for the same period.

ASB Category	Total
Criminal damage/vandalism	1
Loitering/pestering residents	6
Noise	1
Nuisance Behaviour	12
Rowdy Behaviour	5
Street drinking	11
Grand Total	36

Campaigns and Initiatives in the area

Water Safety