

INVERKIP AND WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Business Meeting

Thursday 1st September 2016 at 7.00pm

Inverkip Primary School

Present: David Adams, Jean Anderson, Paul Cassidy (Chair), Alison Clark (Secretary), Isobel Rennie (Treasurer), Eileen Virtue, Tracy Bunton, Gary Purden

In attendance: Police Officer A Burns, M Gannon, Community Wardens, Cllr G Dorrian, Cllr I Nelson, Cllr. L. Rebecchi, Ronnie Cowan MP, Stuart McMillan MSP & 40 members of the public.

1.0 Apologies for absence: Jakki Purdon

2.0 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Paul welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3.0 Police Matters

Police Officer Ally Burns reported that in the preceding month 5 crimes were detected: theft, serious assault, domestic assault, vehicle damage and shoplifting. 5 crimes remain undetected.

Current campaign: Preventing door-step crime – a designated neighbour scheme is in place for residents to refer cold callers to a nominated neighbour; a card can be placed in the window with details.

Questions at the meeting:

- Stray sheep on roads
 - Residents are advised to report by calling 101 – police have contact details for local farmers

- Kip marina/ beach anti-social behaviour over the summer months
 - Reference was made to the multi agency action plans and acknowledged phone calls made by residents. Residents thanked police and wardens for their prompt actions. Letters are sent by the anti-social behaviour team to parents of those identified.
 - The Commercial Director at Scotrail was in attendance who explained that CCTV is monitored and that a text number is displayed within carriages for passengers to alert British Transport Police to incidents. Relationship with BTP is improving through joint initiatives. She went on to explain penalties that can be imposed and legislation preventing children without tickets from being removed.
 - IWBCC contacted Kip Marina who informed that the marina is patrolled and monitored 24/7.

Analyst reports can be found here:

<http://www.inverclyde.gov.uk/community-life-and-leisure/community-safety/community-safety-partnership-csp>

4.0 Ardgowan Distillery

Martin McAdam and Jessica Skelton from Ardgowan Distillery delivered a presentation explaining their proposal to locate a distillery at Bankfoot. They explained that Inverkip was selected over a number of potential locations. The company plans a whiskey distillery, a gin still and a small microbrewery. Cautious support has been received from all statutory bodies to date; a planning application is likely to be made in October 2016 following a public exhibition in September 2016. Manufacturing will commence Q1 2017 with employment in the region of 20 with production, a

visitor centre, corporate space and bistro. Modern energy techniques will be deployed. Reaction from those present was very positive.

<https://www.facebook.com/ArdgowanDistillery/?ref=nf>

5.0 Broadband – Ronnie Cowan MP

Mr Cowan explained the BT Openreach Community Partnership deal and that match funding is available. He recommended mapping connectivity across the village and to compare and challenge publicised connectivity levels. He described the success of Kilmacolm residents who undertook this within their community. Paul suggested residents contact IWBCB via the “contact us” section of the IWBCB website with readings and comments.

6.0 Minutes of Business Meeting held on Thursday 7th June 2016

Actions from previous minutes is summarised and updated in Appendix 1. No updates provided due to time constraints

Minutes proposed as accurate by Isobel Rennie and seconded by David Adams

7.0 Secretary’s report

Allison referred to various items of correspondence received including:

Inverclyde Council meeting notices and agendas

Reference to Inverclyde Council committee reports, highlighting the following:

- Proposed free school transport policy consultation
- Gourock/ Dunoon ferry stakeholder group has been established

<http://www.inverclyde.gov.uk/meetings/>

8.0 Planning Matters

No new applications for discussion.

9.0 Roads, Pavements and Lighting

Questions at the meeting:

- Adoption of Harbourside/ Kip Marina Roads
 - Cllr Dorrian will confirm with the Head of Roads at Inverclyde Council that the developer has been provided by a report from Inverclyde Council specifying the repairs required before the site will be adopted
 - Cllr Dorrian offered to invite the Head of Roads at Inverclyde Council to the next meeting.
 - Paul recommended residents consider setting up a new residents association to coordinate their efforts and exchanges with the developer. Support from IWBCB to facilitate this was offered.

10.0 Treasurers Report

Isobel reported the following:

Bank Balance at the date of the meeting: £2184.78

11.0 AOCB

11.1 Inverkip War Memorial

Resident Hilary Cameron contacted IWBCB requesting assistance with the restoration of the Inverkip War Memorial. Cllr Dorrian provided Tracy with a point of contact at Inverclyde Council who are progressing cleaning and repainting and will then reassess.

11.2 Wemyss Bay Hotel

Cllr Rebecchi reported that the building has been made secure by Inverclyde Council and that an enforcement notice has been issued to the owner/ bank instructing remedial work.

11.3 Inverkip – former police station

Cllr Rebecchi informed that IC enforcement officers are pursuing owners.

11.4 Inverkip Community Hub

The Inverkip Community Hub is due to open on 8th October (since the date of the meeting – amended to 29.10.16)

12.0 Date and time of next meeting:

Thursday 6th October 2016 in Wemyss Bay Primary School at 7:00pm.

There being no further business the formal meeting was closed at 21:15 and coffee served.

APPENDIX 1**IWBCC ACTIONS SUMMARY – 1.9.16**

ITEM	NEW ACTIONS FROM MINUTES 1.9.16	RESPONSIBLE	UPDATE	STATUS at 1.9.16
9.0	Confirm report was sent from IC Roads to Kip Marina	Cllr Dorrian		
	ACTIONS - FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES	RESPONSIBLE	UPDATE	STATUS
	Betty Burn – Everton Road litter Wemyss Bay – Private beach amount of litter/debris. Talk to Restorative Justice	Cllr Dorrian	Additional question about .litter dumping on Spey Road/slip roads. Cllr Dorrian will check with them.	Ongoing
	Inverkip flower beds and planters possibly we take this as one of our Green Gym initiatives this year.	Cllr Dorrian and all IWBC	Cllr D confirmed with IC that there are no planters available. Davie offered to build some. Also Parklea Charity group would supply and maintain for small fees. IWBC to discuss at next meeting	Ongoing for possible part of wider plans with funding
	Flats at Inverkip – concern raised over constant running “gunge” flowing onto creapavement from pipes.	JA	.Jean spoke to IC and they sent someone out to check. Will contact owners to get problem with overflows from boilers (as that is what it looks like) fixed	Ongoing
	Create notice drawing owners’ attention to appearance of Langhouse Avenue and offer the help of the community council to assist in coordinating a factor if needed.	TB	To be prepared later	ongoing
	Obtain permission to locate a notice board at Sainsbury’s.	AC	Alison corresponded with owners – no objection. Now IWBC to source wall mounted notice	ongoing
	WB School Parking and pathway from Community Centre car park	Cllr Rebecchi / Davie	Cllr Rebecchi received response from IC Roads dept not viable to open back entrance to school grounds due to security and safety concerns. Cllr Rebecchi plans to discuss parking issues around school again with them later this month.	ongoing
	Signage A78 sliproad to Hill Farm	Cllr	Cllr R passed to IC	Ongoing

		Rebecchi/TB	Roads dept for consideration. Asked and awaiting answer	
	Bus route/Survey from D McNeil	PC	Paul received update from MSP office and will send out to everyone for opinions	Ongoing
	Parking and road markings Inverkip Main Street at bus stop.	Cllr Rebecchi		open
	Potholes at Bridgend and Inverkip Main Street at chemist to be reported to IC Roads	JA	repaired	closed