

INVERKIP AND WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Business Meeting

Thursday 2nd of May 2013 at 7.30pm

Inverkip Primary School

Present: Eileen Virtue (Interim Chair), David Adams; Isobel Rennie; Liz Mackenzie; Jean Anderson and Tracy Bunton

2. Apologies for absence: Avril Jones

In attendance:, Cllr. L. Rebecchi; Cllr. I. Nelson; Cllr G Dorrian; Sgt. S Anderson, Robert Graham, Inverclyde Council, nine members of the public.

3. Police Matters

3.1 Police Report

Sgt. Anderson provided a report for the period 20th March 2013 until 17 April 2013 informing 10 crimes during this period including one Road Traffic Incident, 2 incidents of wilful fire raising one at Kellybank and the other at Hill Farm, still subject to criminal investigation. Sgt Anderson confirmed the incidents were not related. Community Council Partnership Briefing covering this period is attached as **Appendix 2**.

4. Minutes of Business Meeting held on Thursday 4th April 2013 - Matters Arising

(12.2) Daff Glen

Eileen reported that 3 Green Gym days have been secured, dates during July are to be agreed.

ACTION: Eileen to progress Green Gym and report to the next meeting.

Minutes proposed as accurate by Jean Anderson and seconded by Eileen Virtue.

5.0 IWBC Vacancies – Process to Fill Vacancies

Tracy provided a report of the process advised by Inverclyde Council's Legal Services to fill the vacancies:

- notice posted locally/published by the IWBC early May, no later than 20th May to allow 28 days prior to ballot date
- closing date for nominations - 30th May 2013
- last date for withdrawal of nominations (if there is to be a ballot) - 4th June 2013
- date of ballot if contested - 18th June 2013

6.0 Pavement and Road Condition

Cllr Rebecchi reported that the condition of the pavement outside the Inverkip church was checked recently and he will chase the outcome of decision to repair.

Robert Graham, Inverclyde Council was in attendance and described the national convention for road/pavement repair interventions. He went on to give a report of the progress to date to improve conditions at the top of Langhouse Road including Langhouse Mews as discussed at previous meetings. He stated that Inverclyde Council are awaiting a response from the bank to the submission of engineers' costings; access to the bond will be progressed as a last resort.

Mr Graham agreed to find out for a member of the public if the Ardgowan Rise access to Inverkip train station car park is a tertiary route and will be a priority gritting route. He also agreed to find out who is responsible for repairs needed to the hand rail between Larch Walk and Cliff Terrace, Wemyss Bay. He went on to report that Station Road potholes, footpath and drainage is to be repaired and white markings are to be refreshed. He outlined the proposals to address drainage concerns on Finnockbog Road and is confident of funding approval. He stated that a repair programme is being developed and while £17million has been allocated he responded to a question from a resident that £70 million is needed to maintain roads over a 20 year period.

ACTION: Cllr Rebecchi to progress repair to pavement outside Inverkip Church

ACTION: Jean to display Inverclyde Council's telephone number for lighting repairs on Inverkip notice board (717171)

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

6.1 Flooding – Beattock Place

Former Community Councillor stated he has pushed officers for a resolution and a request for the intervention of a hydrologist has been rejected. Cllr Dorrian stated that Corporate Director is satisfied that Inverclyde Council has no responsibility. A resident stated that he appreciated the community councils attempt to support the matter however he has been informed that due to the technical nature of the problem the matter must be dealt directly with officers on an individual basis. All present agreed with Eileen summary that there is no further help that can be offered by IWBCC.

7.1 Secretary Report and Correspondence

Liz reported that there was no correspondence to be noted.

8.0 Planning Matters

An appeal has been lodged against the decision to refuse planning permission for a wind turbine at Sheilhill Farm.

Planning permission is being requested for replacement signage at Inverkip Hotel. All Community Councillors are to view the application.

9.0 Treasurer's Report

Interim Treasurer Jean Anderson appointed earlier in the evening stated she has paperwork to change signatories on IWBCC bank account.

10.0 Inverkip Facilities

Cllr Dorrian reported that the management committee is established with their first meeting planned for 7 May 2013. Planning permission is expected to be lodged in June 2013.

11.0 Date and time of next meeting – Thursday 6 June 2013 at 7pm in Inverkip Primary School.

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12.1 IWBCC – councillors' name signage

All agreed to a request for Community Councillor's names to be displayed at meetings.

12.2 Recycling Bins

Mr Graham agreed to report to the Waste Strategy Unit concerns relating to the level of debris left around the recycling bins in Inverkip and to request consideration for an alternative to the style of the glass bin located in Wemyss Bay which allows access and is considered dangerous.

12.3 Waiting Restrictions – Wemyss Bay Primary

Concern was raised once again about cars waiting outside Wemyss Bay Primary.

ACTION: Tracy to email Community Police to notify concerns about parking immediately outside Wemyss Bay Primary

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:20pm

APPENDIX 1

IWBCC ACTIONS SUMMARY – 4 APRIL 2013

| ITEM | NEW ACTION FROM MINUTES 2.5.13 | RESPONSIBLE | STATUS |
|---|--|---------------|---------|
| 4.0 | Eileen to progress Green Gym and report to the next meeting. | EV | |
| 6.0 | Monitor progress of works at the top of Langhouse Road including Langhouse Mews | All | |
| 6.0 | Jean to display Inverclyde Council's telephone number for lighting repairs on Inverkip notice board (717171) | JA | |
| 6.0 | Cllr Rebecchi to progress repair to pavement outside Inverkip Church | Cllr Rebecchi | |
| 12.3 | Tracy to email Community Police to notify concerns about parking immediately outside Wemyss Bay Primary | TB | |
| ACTIONS - TO BE COMPLETED FROM MINUTES 4.4.13 | | RESPONSIBLE | STATUS |
| 4.1 | Harold McPherson to transfer web master control to Eileen – David to contact Harold to make contact with Eileen | DA | Ongoing |
| 4.4 | Continue to monitor road conditions and the plan to resurface and solve drainage problems on Finnockbog Road | All | Ongoing |
| App 1 | Liz to purchase external hard drives and securely destroy archived documentation | EM | Ongoing |
| App 1 | Liz to write to Charlie Cairns, Inverclyde Council expressing appreciation of Community Service Payback project n Wemyss Bay Woods | EM | Ongoing |

APPENDIX 2

POLICE SCOTLAND



Inverkip and Wemyss Bay
Community Council Partnership Briefing
Inverclyde
From 20th March 2013 to 16th April 2013

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Issues Raised

Action Taken

Crimes and Activity

For the 4 week period there were a reported **12 crimes**. This accounts for **2.1%** of the total crimes across Inverclyde. This is an increase of 8% from the same period of the previous year.

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Greenock Central | 280 |
| Greenock East | 68 |
| Larkfield, Braeside and Branchton | 25 |
| Port Glasgow West | 42 |
| Port Glasgow East | 32 |
| Greenock Southwest | 70 |
| Holefarm and Cowdenknowes | 13 |
| Greenock West and Cardwell Bay | 20 |
| Inverkip and Wemyss Bay | 12 |
| Gourock | 11 |
| Kilmacolm | 12 |

Table 1: Crime reported by Community Council Area

| VIEW_DESC | Total |
|--|-------|
| GROUP 3 - Vehicle Crimes | 1 |
| GROUP 4 - Crimes of Fire Raising, Malicious Mischief etc | 2 |
| GROUP 5 - Other Crimes | 1 |
| GROUP 6 - Miscellaneous Offences | 3 |
| GROUP 7 - Offences Relating to Motor Vehicles | 3 |
| GROUP 1 - Crimes of Violence | 1 |
| GROUP 2 - Crimes of Indecency | 1 |
| Grand Total | 12 |

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.

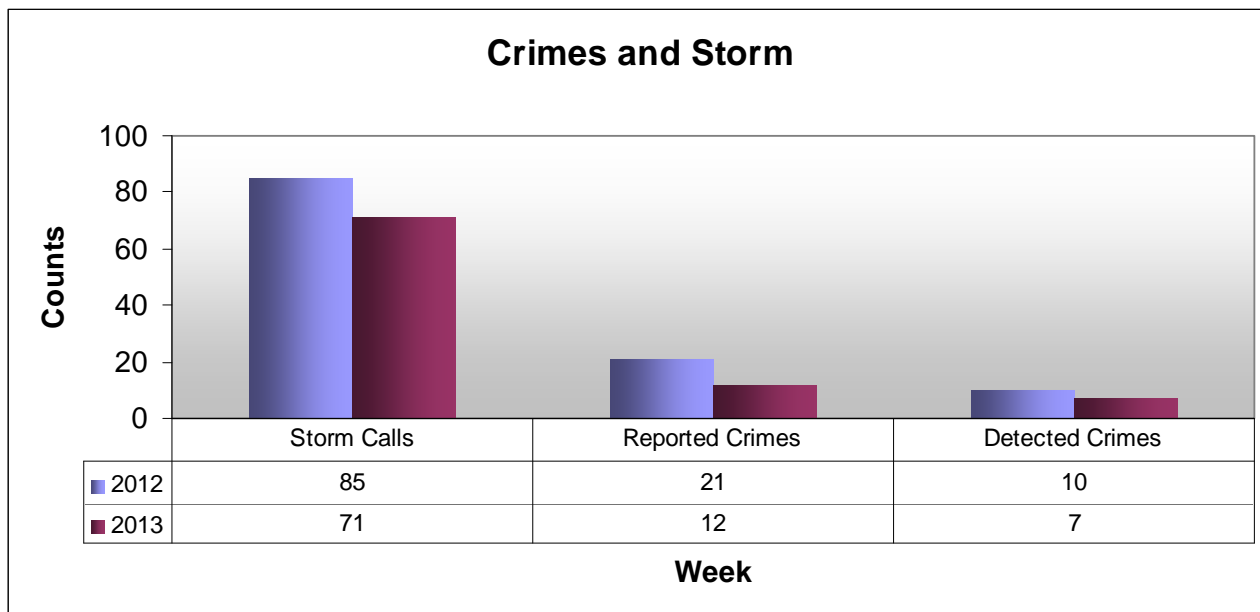


Chart 1: Yearly Change

| | 2012 | 2013 | Change |
|---------------------|------|------|--------|
| Storm Calls | 85 | 71 | -16% |
| Reported Crimes | 21 | 12 | -43% |
| Detected Crimes | 10 | 7 | -30% |
| Percentage Detected | 48% | 58% | |

Table 3: Yearly Change Percentages

Road Traffic Incidences

The total of Road Traffic Incidences was **1** for the Inverkip and Wemyss Bay Community Council area. For the same period last year there were a total of **5**.

There were 0 Speeding Offences tickets issued.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Related Incidences

For March there was one Accidental Primary Non Dwelling Fire.

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

| ASB Category | Total |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Nuisance Behaviour | 2 |
| Inappropriate sexual conduct | 1 |
| Grand Total | 3 |

Campaigns and Initiatives in the area