

**INVERKIP AND WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Business Meeting**  
**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015 at 7.00pm**  
**Inverkip Primary School**

**Present:** David Adams, Jean Anderson (Secretary), Tracy Bunton (Minutes Secretary), Paul Cassidy, Alison Clark, Robert McKenzie (Treasurer), Isobel Rennie, Eileen Virtue (Chair)

**In attendance:** Cllr. L. Rebecchi, Cllr G Dorrian, Cllr I Nelson, & 5 members of the public.

**1.0 Apologies for absence:** Liz Mackenzie, Ronnie Cowan MP

**2.0 Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Eileen welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**3.0 Police Matters**

Police: Andy Stewart referred to the analyst report. He summarised activity focusing on activity at Wemyss Bay Caravan Park; detections relating to drug misuse at the beach; littering at the marina; unlocked cars; chance house thefts; theft of personal belongings from Inverkip house building site; caravan theft (reg. no: SV51 LWT). Outboard equipment (£4.5k) recovered. Individual of concern was found safe following 2 rescue helicopters were called to Inverkip beach. The analyst report can be found here:

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

Area Commander Elliot Brown thanked the Community Council for the opportunity to join the meeting. He was pleased to report that since his arrival in Inverclyde he established Community Police teams to ensure engagement (Inverkip and Wemyss Bay: Alistair Burns & Andy Stewart). He spoke about the small police office in Inverkip, not used for many years and it was agreed by those present that there is no requirement for Police Scotland to continue the lease. Those present acknowledged the benefit of having nominated officers as a point of contact. A discussion followed about the 101 service. Commander Brown explained that contact centre staff based in Govan and Pitt Street are experienced and have access to improved systems, response and CCTV monitoring.

In response to a question about the ongoing concerns about anti social behaviour on trains the officers described social media monitoring, working in partnership with Community Wardens, Drones are being considered; a marine watch programme is being considered including the use of smart water. A discussion followed on the absence of provision for young people. Commander Brown agreed to note suggestions.

**4.0 Minutes of Business Meeting held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

Progress on actions from previous minutes is summarised and updated in Appendix 1.

**Minutes proposed as accurate by Alison Clark and seconded by Paul Cassidy**

**5.0 Secretary's report and planning matters**

Jean reported that she emailed the community councillors through the summer months with items of interest. She summarised a range of Inverclyde Council Committee reports received since the date of the last meeting; there were no matters arising from these. Jean reminded everyone that all reports are available on Inverclyde Council's website.

Cllr Rebecchi informed that the grants committee confirmed £9k for Inverkip Play-scheme.

Jean informed the arrangements for the upcoming Community Council nominations – closing date 30.9.15, ballot on 22.10.15 in Inverkip Primary School.

Boundary Changes – The proposal is to increase Inverclyde Council's elected members from 20 Councillors by 2. It was agreed that all were to refer to Jean's email and Paul to post information on IWBCC website. **ACTION: ALL & PC**

Wemyss Bay Ferry Terminal – Public meeting in the Chartroom with contractor John Leslie Ltd on 14.9.15

Proposed Traffic Orders – include Inverkip Train station no waiting at the turning point and no waiting on Station Avenue at Kip Avenue from 8am until 6pm

## **6.0 Planning Matters.**

Inverkip Community Centre – at the date of the meeting one matter relating to missives was outstanding; this however has since been resolved. Tenders for the build have been received by Inverclyde Council. The budget for the project will exceed £2m (£1.4m from IC and £600k from Stewart Milne). The leader of Inverclyde Council and the Chief Executive are monitoring progress.

Millhouse Road – Street Lighting is going ahead, residents objections were refused. Land will be reinstated. IC installed dog waste bins.

Texas Instruments - A site visit by the planning committee will be arranged.

## **7.0 Roads, Pavements and Lighting**

A78 Bankfoot to Wemyss Bay: Speed Limit – Cllr Rebecchi obtained agreement from those present that in the interest of safety, and to enable bus stop provision to be progressed that he should pursue a reduction in the speed limit with Transport Scotland.

Paul to include a question in his residents questionnaire about A78 speed limit **ACTION: PC**

Wemyss Bay train station parking restrictions - Cllr Rebecchi informed that parking restrictions at Wemyss Bay train station are under consideration. A report to councillors is anticipated.

## **8.0 Treasurers Report**

Robert reported that the balance is £2750.28. Cheques are still to be presented in payment for the notice boards £980.77.

Eileen to order Poppy wreaths

**ACTION: EV**

## **10.0 AOCB**

**Wemyss Bay Beach** – A tourist contacted [IWBCC@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:IWBCC@yahoo.co.uk) asking about access to Wemyss Bay Beach. Jean replied informing that the particular point they referred to is private access

**Kip Village** – In response to questions asked about responsibility for road and car park resurfacing, residents were informed it remained with Bett Homes until at standard for the Council to adopt. Eileen to pass the new point of contact at Bett Homes to Cllr Rebecchi **ACTION: EV**

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**11.0 Date and time of next meeting:**

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2015 in Inverkip Primary School**

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 21:00

**APPENDIX 1****IWBCC ACTIONS SUMMARY – 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>NEW ACTIONS FROM MINUTES 3.9.15</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>UPDATE</b>	<b>STATUS at 4.6.15</b>
5.0	Boundary Changes – refer to email and update website	ALL & PC		
7.0	Include A78 speed limit question in residents questionnaire	PC		
8.0	Order Poppy wreaths	EV		
10.0	Pass the new point of contact at Bett Homes to Cllr Rebecch	EV		
	<b>ACTIONS - FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>UPDATE</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
	Paul to email IWBC with suggestions for the content of a survey for residents on bus services.	PC		Ongoing
	Invite Street Life representative to the May meeting	TB	No response to email	Ongoing
	Write to Bett Homes expressing residents concerns regarding Roads & Lighting.	EV	Invite Bett Homes to a meeting.	Ongoing
	Find out Dr Campbell's availability to speak at public meeting in September. Contact Scottish Renewables& Save Clyde Muirsheill Park	EV	Moved to future action for next sessions, after summer.	Ongoing
	A78 flooding at Power Station	Cllr Rebecchi	See item (7)	In progress
	Obtain permission to locate a notice board at Sainsburys	AC	Permission received, notice board to be purchased.	In progress
	Contact Discover Inverclyde (Chris Jewell) re visual impact (PNE proposal)	EV		Ongoing
	Advise former treasure to Inverclyde Council Legal Services in respect of funds held for the former Community Council Forum	DA		Complete
	Update IWBC website with reports of activities undertaken and in progress by IWBC	PC		Ongoing