

INVERKIP AND WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the Business Meeting
Thursday 4th June 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, & 4 members of the public.

1.0 Apologies for absence: Liz Mackenzie.

2.0 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Eileen welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3.0 Police Matters

Police: Alistair Burns, Andy Stewart and Jamie Birch attended the meeting who referred to the May 2015 analyst report and summarised activity. A synopsis is available on the new council website.

Officers focused on a breach of the peace at Wemyss Bay Caravan Park and a theft and fire at Inverkip Yacht club.

Congestion on the pavement of Main Street, Inverkip was raised. The police require a complainer to be able to investigate the allegation.

A discussion about sheep/ deer blocking roads followed.

4.0 Minutes of Business Meeting held on Thursday 14th May 2015 - Matters Arising

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

Minutes proposed as accurate by Alison Clark and seconded by Eileen Virtue

5.0 Secretary's report and planning matters

Jean 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.

An apology arrived from Inverclyde Leisure regarding the May 2015 hall let.

6.0 Planning Matters.

Applications currently under consideration are limited to domestic planning requests. A resident commented on the Scottish Government's proposed policy to reduce on-shore renewable energy provision.

7.0 Roads, Pavements and Lighting

Cllr Rebecchi informed that he had had various meetings with Network Rail, Scottish Water, Scottish Power and Transerv in relation to the flooding on the A78. In May Scottish Power agreed responsibility for the flooding problem. Furthermore Transerv informed that the crash barriers were

too close to the brick work behind and that corrective works were required to meet legal requirements. Scottish Power were in the process of reviewing the pump house demolition contractor's remit to confirm the contract was carried out in full. Scottish Power are liaising with Transerv to expedite and if required Transerv may carry out the work.

A discussion about parking outside schools followed.

David raised concerns about the blind corner at Ardgowan Road and agreed to report to Inverclyde Council's Customer Service Centre (tel. no. 717171). **ACTION: DA**

8.0 Treasurers Report

Robert reported that the balance is unchanged from last month £2836.57. The cost of a hard drive (£80) and invoices are expected for the new notice boards this will reduce the balance.

David was asked by former treasurer Ron Potter about what should be done with funds held in respect of the Community Council Forum. David agreed to refer Ron Potter to Peter MacDonald at Inverclyde Council's Legal Services. The councillors suggested they would make enquiries

ACTION: DA

9.0 Kip Marina

Dog bins – Ardgowan Estate offered to fund and fit bins along the coastal path. Inverclyde Council agreed to empty the bins.

10.0 AOCB

Police Scotland – Inverkip Office: The meeting was informed that Police Scotland will continue to have the lease on the small police office behind Sainsbury's until March 2016. The owner of the former police station on Main Street will be served with a notice by sheriff officers to clear the debris from the surrounding land. Failure to adhere to this will result in the Council stepping in to carry out the work and bill the owner.

Neighbourhood Watch Schemes: The police explained their involvement with local schools to operate School Watch. Inverclyde Council has funding available to procure signage etc. from Neighbourhood Watch Scotland (Lisa Toon). Ian Hanley is the point of contact at Inverclyde Council. It was explained that the responsibility to operate a Neighbourhood Watch is less than most people perceive.

<http://www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk/>

Wemyss Bay Nursery and Primary Schools finishing times: David agreed to advise parents to raise their requests with the Parent Council.

IWBCC Website: It was agreed that more use should be made of the IWBCC website. Items suggested were: raising awareness of a recent spate of fake £50 in the area; responsibility to observe parking restrictions outside schools; Neighbourhood Watch Scotland. **ACTION: PC**

11.0 Date and time of next meetings:

Thursday 3rd September 2015 in Inverkip Primary School

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

APPENDIX 1**IWBCC ACTIONS SUMMARY – 4th June 2015**

ITEM	NEW ACTIONS FROM MINUTES 4.6.15	RESPONSIBLE	UPDATE	STATUS at 4.6.15
7.0	Report blind corner at Ardgowan Road Inverclyde Council	DA		New
8.0	Advise former treasure to Inverclyde Council Legal Services in respect of funds held for the former Community Council Forum	DA		New
10.0	Update IWBC website	PC		New
	ACTIONS - FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES	RESPONSIBLE	UPDATE	STATUS
	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
	Eileen to email Green Gym requesting availability after Easter 2015	EV	No budget available	Complete
	Notice-boards: The Trust	JA/ Cllr Rebecchi/ Cllr Dorrian	Expected to be in place in the coming weeks	Complete
	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
	Station Avenue at post box – request progress report from RCH	Cllr Rebecchi/ JA	RCH felled tree and tidied hedging	Complete
	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
	Consult Stuart McMillan MSP regarding A78 speed limit	EV	See item (4.4) Likely to be part of plans for Big City Deal Roundabout plans.	Ongoing
	Approach local bus firms outlining interest in a service to Hill Farm – invite to meeting	EV	McGills have no plans to alter service because any change would not fit with ferry services	Complete
	Confirm up-to-date contact details and status for Kip Residents Association.	EV/JA		Complete