

INVERKIP AND WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Business Meeting

Thursday 8th January 2015 at 7.00pm

Inverkip Primary School

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

In attendance: Cllr. L. Rebecchi & Cllr I. Nelson; 3 members of the public;

2.0 Apologies for absence: Liz Mackenzie, Cllr. G Dorrian

3.0 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Eileen chaired the meeting, welcoming everyone and wishing everyone a Happy New Year.

4.0 Police Matters

Tracy reported that she had a phone call earlier in the evening with the Police who offered to attend the meeting however the officer who offered was not normally based in the area. Tracy declined the offer because all community councillors were already in receipt of the community planning report; and the officer provided a direct phone number and email address encouraging IWBC to contact him with any issues arising from the meeting.

ACTION: Tracy to email police requesting the “Sainsbury” junction is monitored at peak times to identify driver error.

5.0 Minutes of Business Meeting held on Thursday 6th November 2014 - Matters Arising

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

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

6.0 Roads, Pavements and Lighting

It was confirmed that the Council’s Flood Prevention Officer is liaising with Ardgowan Estate and Network Rail in relation maintenance of gullies to prevent flooding at Brueacre junction. Residents are urged not to dump garden refuse.

A resident liaising with Transerve regarding the flood hazard on the A78 at the former power station site has been asked for a report to the next meeting.

Appreciation was expressed about the repairs and upgrades made to roads and pavements by Inverclyde Council over recent months.

8.0 Secretary’s report and planning matters

Jean reported receipt of the following:

- A range of Inverclyde Council Committee reports and correspondence:
 - Grant funding applications to be submitted by the end of January 2015
 - Audit Committee – IC received a good audit report from external auditors
 - CHCP – future planning proposals including investment in Greenock Health Centre
 - Policy and Resources Committee – emergency meeting regarding supporting funding of Beacon Arts Centre

- Planning – Inverkip Community Centre plans withdrawn once again. New matters arising from SEPA reports are to be addressed.
- Road Resurfacing proposals 2015/16: Millhouse Road; Flatterton Road to Crisswell Farm
- **Inverkip Community Initiative**
 - Paul informed that public consultation sessions will take place on 31st January 2015 in Inverkip Church from 1:30pm until 4:00pm and in Inverkip Primary School on 5th February 2015 from 6:00pm until 7:30pm.
- **PNE – Bachan Burn Wind Farm/ Save Cowal's Hills**

Resident Cliff Lyons informed he had been contacted by Save Cowal's Hills requesting public support. He informed that the planning application is live however PNE are still to organise a public meeting which they are obliged to do. See Appendix 1 Action Points outlining planned communications from IWBC. It was agreed that Save Cowal's Hills should raise awareness of the impact of the proposed development through local media in Inverclyde.

- **Miscellaneous Roads etc**
 - Langhouse Road: the quality of the resurfacing of Langhouse Road was acknowledged.
 - Daff Avenue: the road is to be lifted and re-laid
 - Ground behind former football pavilion: what appears to be a sewerage leak was photographed and reported to Roads Services by Cllr Nelson
 - Brueacre Junction/ Spey Road culvert: Scotrail were witnessed 7.1.15 deploying their maintenance programme
 - Power Station/ A78 flooding: resident has a point of contact however no update to report over the Christmas period. Ongoing
 - Wemyss Bay Hotel: Scottish Water are surveying flooding
 - Burns Road/ Leapmoor Drive culverts and Cliff Road Wemyss Bay: resident to photograph and email Councillors

9.0 Treasurers Report

Robert reported that the balance is £1816.25. Since the date of the last statement the invoices for 2 Remembrance wreaths and Data Protection Yearly Renewal were paid. Notice Boards and Christmas Entertainer (£250) are expected to be paid in the coming month.

ACTION: Robert to check bank account to confirm receipt of this years grant

10.0 IWBC Vacancy

Jean reported that Liz MacKenzie was delighted to accept nomination to be coopted Community Councillor. Liz will be offered formally at her next attendance at a meeting.

11.0 AOCB

No matters for discussion

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12.0 Date and time of next meeting:

Thursday 5th February 2015 in Wemyss Bay Primary School at 7:00pm

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8:15 pm

APPENDIX 1**IWBCC ACTIONS SUMMARY – 8th January 2015**

ITEM	NEW ACTIONS FROM MINUTES 8.1.15	RESPONSIBLE		STATUS
4.0	A78 flooding at Power Station – update to be requested from resident progressing this matter with Transco	TB		
9.0	Check bank account to confirm receipt of 2014/15 grant	RMcK		
	ACTIONS - FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES	RESPONSIBLE	UPDATE	STATUS
	Cullen Crescent notice board - opinion to be requested through the residents association	IR	Isobel to write to Stewart Milne requesting permission to locate noticeboard at Cullen Crescent .	Ongoing
	David will obtain quotes for noticeboards. (David will construct metal frames)	DA	DA to circulate quote from Jim Bristow, The Trust following visit to the workshop to alter the design	Ongoing
	Find out Dr Campbell's availability to speak at public meeting in September. Contact Scottish Renewables& Save Clyde Muirsheill Park	EV		Ongoing
	Establish the status/ reinstatement of fencing at Millhouse Road/ Swallow Brae	Cllr Nelson		Ongoing
	Request survey of Lomond Road/ Ardgowan Road – condition of pavement	Cllr Rebecchi	Surveyed and new roads work complete	Complete
	Obtain Ian Hanley's response from British Transport Police	TB		In progress
	Station Avenue at post box – request progress report from RCH	Cllr Rebecchi/ JA	RCH agree to fell the trees	Ongoing
	Bachan Burn Wind Farm (PNE) - Eileen to notify concerns to MSPs McMillan, McNeil, Goldie and Derek McKay	EV		In progress
	Bachan Burn Wind Farm (PNE) - Paul to publicise on IWBC website	PC		In progress
	Attend IC Budget Consultation – Wemyss Bay Primary School 10.12.14	JA, PC, IR	Positive feedback	Complete
	Forward resignation letter (C Lyons) to Legal Services	TB	Submitted by email	Complete
	Confirm receipt of this years grant	RMcK	Informed verbally that grant was released, statement to be checked	Ongoing
	Submit response to Youth and Criminal Justice Survey	EV		Complete
	Reply to Inverkip Archaeological Society	JA	Awaiting response to offer to help by way of Green Gym however area is understood to be cleared	Ongoing

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