

Minutes of Col-Glen Community Council

Monday 17 February 2014 - 19.30 Glendaruel Village Hall

Community Council members present:

Cathleen Russell, Tom Mowat, Martin MacFarlane, Anne Lamb, Fiona Hamilton, Danielle Clark

Community Council members Apologies:

John Sutton, Danutal Steedman, Charles Dixon-Spain, Sara McLean, Gordon Blair

Public present:

9 people present

1. Minutes of Last Meeting

Accepted.

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Police Update by PC Grant

The last 3 weeks there were 4 incidents but no crime reports from the area.

There were more oil thefts nearby.

999 number is to be used for emergency calls, all other calls are 101.

4. Development Trust Update

Jim McLucky reported the broadband project is ongoing and the survey started. Householders are requested to fill in a form which will be delivered by hand. The results are to be submitted by the end of March.

The forest master plan will be available in the village halls over the next couple of weeks. It includes car parks, footpaths, archaeological sites etc. The renewable plan has been submitted this week for 1 turbine of 500kw but involves another study in order to take it forward. It will take 12 to 15 years to repay the money for the wind turbine.

For the Cowal way, they are waiting for the community fund to come online in order to take it forward.

As far as the Glendaruel Hotel is concerned, the CGDT has a plan for when and when it comes on the market.

It was pointed out the hotel is surrounded by rubbish which is an eyesore. Agreed to write letter to A&BC requesting to clean it up together with the remains of a tree that block the notice board.

Upon the question if the financial plan for the forest presented when the community was consulted, was still valid, Jim McLucky reported he will look into it but that the financial plan did become a business plan.

5. Councillors Report

Last Thursday, the budget was presented. There is a 1% cut across the board.

The heavy timber traffic on the Tighnabruaich road was raised.

It was pointed out that the phone box with the defibrillator has no light. D. Munro will look into it. However, CGCC also owns 3 other phone boxes in Glendaruel with which nothing is done at present. C. Russell will ask school children what to do with them.

As far as the 2 wooden kiosks is concerned D. Clark will find out the cost of printing the maps etc for the front screens on laminate.

As far as the cleaning of the beaches is concerned, Alex McNaughton will investigate with A&BC.

6. NHS Update

Robin Creelman, reported that as far as the integration of the health and social care budget is concerned, it is still not known what model A&B will adopt. Dick Walsh will present his view next week.

Any compliments, concerns or complaints about a service you have received from NHS Scotland can be reported on the website

http://www.nhs.uk/pages/contact/feedback_and_complaints.php

7. Greener Colglen Update

Jim McLucky gave the different diary dates for Greener Colglen meetings and workshops and said that the green deal advisor training on how to save energy will begin in May or June.

As far as the poly-tunnels are concerned, the Colintrave ground works are complete and poly-tunnels are ordered. On 3 March the Colglen growers will meet to elect office bearers.

There is a problem with the draining of the Kilmodan Acre poly-tunnel site where the flooding appears to come from the drains/septic tank at the back of P. Morley's workshop. Suggested to dig up the drain and report it. The drain probably belongs to ACHA or Scottish Water. It is however necessary to repair it quickly and as Sara has the equipment to dig it up, it is proposed to ask some of the Shinty Club to help digging it up to locate the problem.

8. Community Resilience Plan Update

SSE needs to connect the generators into the halls. The next Focus Group meeting is this Thursday.

9. AOB

C. Russell attended the Public Planning Partnership meeting but the turnout was very low, there was no innovation and not really a consultation.

10. Community Council Meeting dates for 2014

The next meeting will be Thursday 20 March at Colintrave Village Hall