

Colintraive & Glendaruel Community Council

Venue: Colintraive Village Hall

Date: 9 October 2023 7.30pm - 9pm

Present: Charles Dixon Spain (Chairman) (**CDS**)  
Cathleen Russell (Treasurer) (**CR**)  
Michael Russell (**MR**)  
Martin Cook (Secretary) (**MC**)

Apologies: Paul Bulmer (**PB**), Cllr W Sinclair

Argyll & Bute Councillor: None

Community members: 16

Agenda	Discussion	Actions	Person Responsible
Welcome	<b>CDS</b>		
Apologies	<b>PB</b> & Cllr W Sinclair		
Declarations of Interest	None		
Minutes of previous meeting	Proposed - <b>MR</b> Seconded - <b>CR</b>		

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Matters Arising	<p><b>CDS</b> - Harry Bowman from Bute Estates attended the meeting and handed over the grant money cheque.</p> <p><b>CR</b> - As per the request from Bute Estates CR outlined how the monies for the Milton Burn have been spent. Discussion of whether there is still the opportunity for the community to take on the lease of the Milton Wood ensued. Further discussions required given the onerous nature of the previously proposed lease etc.</p> <p><b>CDS</b> - Cllr Sinclair was unable to attend but a brief summary of actions following the weekends events was read out: The Councils Emergency team was working all weekend and is still active as bad weather tomorrow . We are working with contractors to help get the roads network back operating our Council staff have been working flat out in some really difficult and dangerous situations. Morrisons have been getting deliveries via western ferries which I checked on Sunday morning however home delivery's have been suspended. Unfortunately the Dunoon Links span has failed again engineering staff working on it.</p> <p>This was then followed by a discussion regarding future resilience and the key points and issues raised by the community are summarised below;</p> <p>Subsides for ferry tickets - principally to Bute for shopping.</p> <p>Morrisons click and collect deliveries have resumed but is there a possibility of extra deliveries to Tighnabraich and Colintraive?</p> <p>Sandbags at school and church. Sandbags at village halls although this may have distribution and auditing issues. Sandbags stored at identified locations - school, church, Stronafian etc.</p> <p><b>CR</b> - Responders Group was involved following the flooding and the Resilience Group is looking to recruit new members. The Resilience Plan is to be updated.</p>		

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	<p>Stakis to help clear ditches and look at the blocked culvert in Stronafian. Clear over hanging vegetation.</p> <p><b>CDS</b> to coordinate letter on behalf of CC to Argyll &amp; Bute Council Chief Executive, Leader of the Council and local Councillors. Possibly involve emergency services, CalMac and forestry as all affected by closure of B836.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Press for Cowal not to be low priority</li> <li>- temporary bailey bridge</li> <li>- Forestry pressure</li> <li>- Liaise with other CC's</li> <li>- Opening of A815 Dunoon - Strachur</li> <li>- Outside of the Golden Hour for emergency services</li> </ul> <p>Although open the A816 near Dunans is virtually single carriageway due to amount of debris on road. <b>CDS</b> to check condition and report to ABC Highways to determine available resources to clear road. Warning signage for this would be helpful particularly if approaching in the dark. Signage required to prevent vehicles from reaching the damaged bridge at Baillimore and either attempting to cross or having to turn back.</p> <p>Also debris on the road into Colintravaie from flooding - possible impact on ferry service.</p> <p>Flooding at the school raised. Although volunteers are keen to help with the clear up, it requires professional assessment by ABC before this can happen.</p> <p>As well as the initial letter to the council regarding the bridge, it was proposed that a further document and letter be drafted to highlight the continuing concerns raised regarding road condition, vegetation clearing etc.</p> <p><b>MR</b> - Short term lets - no further updates from last month.</p> <p><b>CDS</b> - no movement on the electricity supply at the Clachan for the defibrillator.</p> <p><b>MR</b> - Broadband provision - BT have given no commitment to replace the copper with fibre given the switch off of the former in 2025. <b>CDS</b> reminded everyone of the previous efforts to establish a community broadband.</p> <p><b>CDS/CR</b> - Reminder for everyone to complete the Housing Condition Survey before the upcoming closing date.</p>	<p><b>MR</b> to update.</p> <p><b>CDS</b> to check</p> <p><b>MR</b> to try again</p>	<p><b>CDS</b></p> <p><b>MR</b></p> <p><b>CDS</b></p> <p><b>MR</b></p> <p><b>CR</b></p>

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Police Update	<p>A report was received from PS Donald Maclver, Police Scotland, as follows;</p> <p>No. of Incidents reported (since last meeting)  Between 02/09/23 - 06/10/23 there have been 5 incidents police have been actioned to in the ColGlen council area  1 x Assist external agency  1 x Wildlife Incident  1 x Blocked road  1 x Alarm activation  1 x RTC</p> <p>No. of Crime Reports generated (since last meeting)  No Crimes</p> <p>Breakdown of Crime Reports (i.e. 1 x Assault)  N/A</p> <p>Information Appeals  No current ongoing appeals</p>		
Councillors Report	<p>No Councillor in attendance.</p> <p>Update following the weekends flooding given in matters arising.</p>		
Planning	<p>23/01923/PP. Change of use of land for the siting of 5 glamping pods with associated decking and hot tubs, along with sauna, waste/recycling and bicycle storage, installation of sewage treatment plant, formation of access/parking and associated works.  Land South East of Auchnagarron, Glendaruel, Colintrave.</p>	<p><b>CDS</b> to contact planning re previous application for this location and the status of the Aire at Auchnagarron, before offering comments.</p>	<p><b>CDS</b></p>
Dentistry in Cowal	<p>No further updates.</p>		<p><b>CR</b></p>

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Community Council	<p><b>Financials</b>  Expenditure for September  Opening balance.                    £12560,75  Balance in bank (at 9/10/23).   £12560,75</p> <p><b>Correspondence</b>  Review of Polling Stations and Polling Places 2023/24 (Argyll &amp; Bute Council).  Comments by end of October - to note difficulties voting for some if B836 remains closed for a significant period of time.</p> <p><b>Funding Application</b>  None</p>		<p><b>CR</b></p> <p><b>CDS</b></p>
Housing	See Matters Arising		<b>MR</b>
Cost of Living Crisis	Nothing to report.		<b>CR</b>
Development Trust Update	Nothing to report.		<b>CR</b>

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Rally	<p>Nothing to report.</p> <p>The CC still requires a liaison with the rally organisers and it was proposed that any new councillor may wish to take on the role. In the interim, it was again suggested that as Steven MacKellar attends the meeting on a personal basis, then perhaps he could be approached to represent and feedback to the CC.</p>	<b>CDS</b> to discuss with Steven MacKellar.	<b>CDS</b>
CalMac update	<p>Recent meeting on Bute (not attended by <b>MR</b>) discussed Winter Timetable, Maintenance and the continuing problems with the ticketing system.</p> <p>Issues still being reported and observed with the new CalMac ticketing system.</p> <p>The link span at Dunoon had been repaired and brought back into service but has failed again.</p>		<b>MR</b>
AOCB	<p><b>CDS</b> made a request for new councillors, who would be co-opted for 12 months.</p> <p><b>CR</b> still a requirement to appoint a vice chairman. At the meeting on 4/9/23, <b>MR</b> agreed to assume the role, subject to ratification on 9/10. However, it was agreed to wait until further councillors are appointed before confirming.</p> <p><b>CR</b> - the defibrillator at Glendaruel Village Hall was due to be installed 9/10, but the weekends weather may have delayed this.</p>	<p>Agreed.</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>To be confirmed.</p>	<p><b>All</b></p> <p><b>MR</b></p> <p><b>CR</b></p>
Calendar of Meetings for 2023/24	<p>6 November - Glendaruel</p> <p>4 December - Colintrave</p> <p>8 January 2024 - Glendaruel</p> <p>5 February - Colintrave</p> <p>4 March - Glendaruel</p> <p>1 April - Colintrave</p> <p>6 May - Glendaruel</p> <p>3 June - Colintrave (AGM)</p>	All meetings to start at 7.30pm.	<b>MC</b>