

Colintraive & Glendaruel Community Council

Venue:	Glendaruel Village Hall
Date & Time:	11 March 2024, 7:30pm
Present:	Charles Dixon Spain - Chairman ( <b>CDS</b> ), Cathleen Russell - Treasurer ( <b>CR</b> ), Michael Russell ( <b>MR</b> ), Martin Cook - Secretary ( <b>MC</b> )
Apologies:	Paul Bulmer ( <b>PB</b> )
Argyll & Bute Councillor:	Not in attendance
Community members:	0

Minutes

Agenda	Discussion	Actions	Person Responsible
Apologies	Paul Bulmer ( <b>PB</b> )		
Declarations of interest	<b>CR</b> declared an interest regarding the funding application.		
Minutes of previous meeting	Proposed - <b>CR</b> Seconded - <b>MR</b>		
Matters Arising	<b>CDS</b> - still a need to co-opt new councillors, preferably from Colintraive.	A number of public meetings are coming up and this may be an opportunity to recruit new councillors.	<b>CDS</b>
	<b>CDS</b> has been informed by British Heart Foundation that the grant application for the defibrillator at the Clachan has not been successful as a result of a previous grant for a defibrillator in that location. Options were discussed including applying again in September, CC purchasing one and investigating the possibility of installing one in the church as part of the renovation.	<b>CDS</b> to write to the church suggesting that a defibrillator be included in the design specification for the renovation.	<b>CDS</b>
	Kilmodan Acre Trust - meetings arranged with all stakeholders to discuss the way forward.		<b>CDS/MR</b>
Police update	No report received.		

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<p>Councillor Update</p>	<p>Prior to the meeting Councillor Sinclair had informed <b>CDS</b> that he was unable to attend but would email his update. The update is shown below;</p> <p>I am sorry but I am only just back from the Loch Lomond and Trossach National Park Full Board and it's been a long day. Please pass on my apologies.</p> <p>To be frank the Budget this year has been difficult and has taken a lot out of me. Talks are still on going and I attended an emergency meeting on Friday, and was speaking with the Provost today.</p> <p>The bridge is going to take more time to reconstruct and we are giving time to look at designs and all the technical and engineering drawings . The temporary bridge is dealing with traffic well .</p> <p>Please can you send someone to the next transport forum Monday the 18th of March 2.00pm. I have asked Jenni Minto to hold a meeting with CalMac and Scotrail this has been cancelled too many times and yes I am also receiving complaints . will get back to you regarding the Toilets.</p> <p><b>CDS</b> to contact Cllr Sinclair regarding the Colintraive public toilet charges. Also to maintain pressure to ensure that the bridge replacement at Balliemore is a priority given that the timeframe proposed has now slipped considerably.</p>		<p><b>CDS</b></p>

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Planning	No planning applications received to consider.		
	23/01923/PP. Change of use of land for the siting of 5 glamping pods. <b>CDS</b> has written to Stephen Gove again, but has not received a reply.	<b>CDS</b> to press Stephen Gove or his temporary replacement for a response.	<b>CDS</b>
	<b>CDS</b> is still awaiting a response from A&BC Planning regarding the appearance of a number of caravans, hard standing and access roads in Glendaruel. However, he has spoken with the owner of the caravans to determine what he proposes to do with them. At the moment, the suggestion appears to be that they are being stored pending redeployment.	To keep a watching brief and await a response from A&BC.	<b>CDS</b>
Financial Report	Opening Balance.           £16745.75  Payment for hire of CVH for the year.                           £100  Closing Balance.           £16645.75 (11/03/24)		<b>CR</b>
Correspondence	A83 Rest & Be Thankful Public Engagement Events.	<b>CDS</b> to post all documentation on CC website for public reference.	<b>CDS</b>
Housing	Included in Development Trust Update.		<b>CR</b>

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Funding Apps	<p>An application was received from Jennifer Davie-Smart for maintenance and improvements on land that she owns and which carries a small section of The Loch Lomond and Cowal Way.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding if the CC should fund work of this nature and resulted in a decision to refuse the application for the following reasons;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The CC has no responsibility for the Cowal Way, the Development Trust has taken the lead, and the CC has never funded anything on the Cowal Way</li> <li>2. If it is a problem affecting the Cowal Way, has the Cowal Way been approached and have they assessed it to be an issue affecting safety.</li> <li>3. The CC has not funded private landowners to provide facilities.</li> </ol>	<p><b>CDS</b> to write to the applicant to inform her of the CC's decision for the reasons stated.</p>	<p><b>CDS</b></p>
Scottish Water Problems	<p><b>CR</b> reported on 2 outages in the last few weeks affecting the supply from Colintraive through Glendaruel. There had been some confusion regarding the first one, which initially appeared to be due to the electrical supply to the pump. However, it is now believed that both incidents were as a result of pipes breaking. Concerns expressed regarding the increase in breakages and the variability in the pipe materials.</p>	<p><b>CDS</b> to contact Scottish Water to seek clarification on why the increase in the frequency of interruptions.</p>	<p><b>CDS</b></p>
Development Trust Update	<p>Report presented by <b>CR</b>;</p>		<p><b>CR</b></p>
	<p>Adopted Zero tolerance of Bullying and Harassment policy - in response to ongoing concerns for staff health and wee-being after several incidents.</p>		
	<p>No financial report - Amber ill.</p>		

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	<p>Charlie Collins Deer fencing - delayed due to weather. Land beside polytunnel to be cleared to extend planting area. Paths in Stronafian Forest maintenance</p>		
	<p>Douglas Wilson Strawberry plants growing. Potatoes to be planted. Douglas Wilson to liaise with Sara Maclean re planting, Chris Leigh and John McNaughton topsoil and compost Chris Leigh to discuss options with John Hancox. Leaflet for people to sponsor a tree to be developed.</p>	<p>A discussion took place regarding the proposed fees to sponsor a tree. It was agreed to amend these prices and they will be shown in the leaflet.</p>	<p><b>CR</b></p>
	<p>Iain Waugh Community shared ownership and secret coast energy sent out in advance. It was agreed to share papers with the Community Council and to set up a discussion between the two organisations about energy.</p>		
	<p>Ros McGhee Home visits still being undertaken engagement greater in Glendaruel and Colintraive, access to smart meters being necessary , surveys for collective purchase of solar PV, funding being sorted for electric vehicle charging point and Warm Home Scotland referrals being followed up.</p>		
	<p>Meeting with John Forbes CHS ,board and housing working group to be set up.</p>		
	<p>Remaining Warm Hubs to be based at Glendaruel Hall due to equipment breakdowns at Colintraive.</p>		

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	<p>Kilmodan School received funding for carvings in forest CL leading CGDT to become member of Act's Climate Action Network.</p> <p>LLCW guide book reprint due end March. Trust will receive copies to sell in return for KM writing updates</p>		
	<p>Meeting of CGDT, John Forbes and housing working group via zoom to discuss findings of report.</p> <p>Outcome decided was to have a Community meeting probably in April. Date to be confirmed.</p>		
	<p>Upcoming event</p> <p>Archaeology Scotland - Adopt a Monument to present findings</p> <p>Wednesday 13 March at 6 pm.</p> <p>Soup and sandwiches available.</p>		
Rally	<p><b>CDS</b> informed that letters to those people affected by the stages would be going out in the next week and the rally booklet would be available 2 weeks prior to the event.</p>		<b>CDS</b>
CalMac Update	<p>The CC was made aware of a CMAL meeting taking place at The Colintraive Hotel to consult on the proposed Harbour Revision Consolidation Order. This meeting was scheduled for the same time as the CC meeting and there had been virtually no advertising other than on the CMAL website. CC only made aware via word of mouth. However, a member of the community who did attend has raised concerns regarding a proposal to grant CMAL as the harbour operator "immunity from nuisance for operators and maintenance".</p> <p>Discussions also took place regarding preventative maintenance and the vessel refit programme.</p>	<p><b>MR</b> to make representations to Jenni Minto MSP on behalf of CC and liaise with the complainant.</p>	<b>MR</b>

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AOCB	<b>CDS</b> informed that he was currently laying out the newsletter. There may possibly be too much content, but he hopes have a draft in the next week or so.		<b>CDS</b>
	<b>CDS</b> has looked at the options for publishing the proposed update to the millennium book. Although it may be cheaper to use Amazon Publishing, this is dependant upon the format, therefore the format needs to be agreed before final costings can be determined.		<b>CDS</b>
Meetings for 2024	8 April - Colintraive VH 13 May - Glendaruel 10 June (Inc. AGM) - Colintraive VH	All meetings to start at 7:30	<b>MC</b>