

Colintraive & Glendaruel Community Council

Venue	Glendaruel Hall
Date & Time	8 September 2025, 7.30pm
Present	Charles Dixon-Spain (CDS) Chair, Michael Russell (MR) Vice Chair, Paul Bulmer (PB) Treasurer, Douglas Wilson, Rob Groom (RG), Cathleen Russell (CR)
Apologies	None
Argyll & Bute Councillor	William Sinclair (WS)
Community Members	2

Minutes

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Welcome	CDS welcomed Rob Groom.		
Presentation from CMAL	<p>CDS welcomed CMAL who gave a presentation to the CC about the Harbour Revision (Consolidation) Order.</p> <p>CMAL are inviting communities to share their views about the proposed legislation. CMAL are proposing to the standardisation for every part of marine port safety across all its ports. Colintraive and Rhubodach are in the 2nd phase for consultations.</p> <p>Points raised by both the CC's and members of the public:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The area that the harbour order will cover would include the small pier which is used by members of the public. 2. Would CMAL be able to restrict access by public to the small pier. 3. The area covered by both Colintraive and Rhubodach along with Peel Ports would cover the whole of the Kyles. 4. There was no local demand for change and no indication from CMAL about positive benefits for the community but there was the potential for imposing new burden on pier users. <p>Concern was also raised about:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continued parking on the road of vehicles waiting to go over on ferry. This makes the main road dangerous as it become single track round a bend. 2. Lack of parking for the public on the pier area. 3. Maintenance of ferries overnight disturbing residents. <p>The chair agreed that the CC response to the consultation would be discussed at a future meeting but that the overall impression of the meeting was that the case had not been made for an order and that the change would produce no benefit for the community.</p>	<p>Information will be posted in the Colintraive Hall and on the CGCC website for members of the public to study.</p> <p>CC will encourage individuals and groups to make appropriate representations to the CMAL consultation.</p>	<p>CDS</p> <p>All CC</p>

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Declarations of Interest	CDS declared an ongoing interest in the Argyll Rally		
Minute of Previous Meeting	CGCC meeting 9 June Minute approved DW, Seconded MWR Argyll Rally Meeting 15 July subject to a slight amendment to minute regarding the emails received, some of which supported the rally. Minute approved MWR, Seconded CR		CDS
Matters Arising	<p>Information Board for Glendaruel (similar to the one produced for Colintrave.) MWR informed meeting that he had just received draft of the board and he thanked PB for his input. Board to be placed in the Kilmodan Acre on the shelter MWR also noted with gratitude the help given by Peter McAllister Hall</p> <p>Kilmodan Acre Trust : The Church of Scotland had been approached asking if they would be prepared to sell their portion of the Glebe to the trust but they have declined. There are 4 main users (CGDT, Playpark, Growers and the Shinty Club). The trustees are the Chair and the Vice Chair of the CC and the local minister. The users had a meeting with the two active trustees and it was decided that the trustees would remain the same but rather than continue to operate a separate bank account which pays out and annual rent to the Church of Scotland that the account would be operated as a sub group of the CC.</p>	<p>Finalise board and arrange installation.</p> <p>Funds to be transferred the the CC and the present bank account to be closed</p>	<p>MWR</p> <p>MWR, PB</p>

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Councillors Report	<p>Tourism Levy WS informed meeting that consultation on the tourism levy was to be published imminently.</p> <p>Ardtaraig Bridge WS informed meeting that it was now due to open in 2nd week of October. Meeting asked him to find out about delay and who was responsible for this.</p> <p>Road Resurfacing</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CC's asked questions about why the Shore Road had not yet been resurfaced although the council had assured us it would have been done prior to the last Argyll Rally. MWR informed meeting that even the Argyll Rally organisers were shocked by the state of the road which is also a school bus route. WS was asked to find out when the road is to be resurfaced. 2. Road resurfacing down past Dunans has been completed but the resurfacing stopped short of the worst part where there are lots of potholes. WS was asked to find out why <p>Hazard Warning Signs. DW asked WS why the undergrowth had not been cut back making them totally ineffective.</p> <p>Sight line and verge growth The poor sight lines and lack of cutting back of trees and undergrowth along the verges was raised once again.</p> <p>Cllr Sinclair then left the meeting.</p>		WS
Police Report	No incidents to report		

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Argyll Rally Report	<p>Community Meeting 15th July Colintrave Hall.</p> <p>Consensus from the hall was positive. One fundraiser informed the meeting that they had raised over £1800 for the benefit of the school and Scottish Air Ambulance. ColGlen residents had engaged with the Dunoon CC questionnaire which covered the whole of the rally. ColGlen CC had specifically asked for feedback regarding community benefit re accommodation providers, businesses, etc. to be added to questionnaire and whilst we got some we would like to see more feedback information including a quantifying of local benefit.</p> <p>Suggestions - a collective local business advertising initiative next year, meet and greet competitors.</p> <p>This year the CC have engaged positively with the Rally and we have achieved partial success in getting some changes made and the CC will continue to try and get changes for future rallies implemented.</p> <p>Comments both positive and negative were received for the Shore Road and the West Road stages but no comment regarding the Bealachandrain stage.</p> <p>Meeting of Community Council Representatives. 18 August Glendaruel Hall and hosted by ColGlen CC.</p> <p>Round table discussion of rally and findings of survey organised by Dunoon CC.</p> <p>Initial proposals for next years rally were shared to allow CCs an opportunity to discuss and Advise changes.</p> <p>Proposals for this year for this area include:</p> <p>2 sessions at Tarsan Dam section, 2 for Bealachandrain, 1 for the Shore road and 2 for the West Road.</p> <p>CC discussed and agreed with the objection to the Saturday morning closure of the Tarsan sections as it would greatly affect the ferry routes and impact on the various businesses including those in the tourism industry.</p> <p>The CC is also suggesting only 1 race for the West Road as the all day closure on the Saturday (with a brief residents access time) is too long.</p>	MWR and CR to attend meeting of CC in rally area	MWR, CR
CGDT	No report Issue of overgrowth on paths in Stronafian Forest was raised.	RG will inform CGDT	RG
Planning Matters	None		

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Community Council Admin	<p>Financial Opening Balance £12108.98 Closing Balance £12158.98</p> <p>Received £50 from Colintrave Hotel for Advert on information board.</p> <p>Correspondence</p> <p>X2 letters pertaining to harassment</p> <p>Comment on Community Council Second Phase Consultation</p> <p>Letter re Public Questions Jennifer Davie Smart (JDS) discussed and CDS will respond</p> <p>Letter re Bracken (JDS) This is an issue for Rally organisers and Council.</p> <p>Letter re Pop-up-Cafe (JDS). MR expressed a strong view that the assertion in this further application that all those involved in fundraising now get paid was contrary to current experience in the area and would be a retrograde step. In addition the Rally would be the right place for such an application.</p> <p>The meeting also found the till receipts attached. to the email, which had been redacted in many places by JDS, to be confusing and noted that the invoice from JDS' son to his mother contained items which could have easily been provided free from the local halls. Members also noted that there were no income figures nor any indication of what had been given to charity.</p>		PB
	<p>Funding Applications Hallowe'en Children's Party Application for £800 was granted.</p> <p>Secretary Recruitment No applications received will re-advertise in October.</p>	<p>Correspondence discussed and responses will be sent accordingly</p> <p>Application for Hallowe'en party granted</p>	CDS PB CDS

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Topical Issues	<p>Resilience. Suggestions that a drop in day is organised where a variety of organisations could be invited to have stalls ie Women's Aid, Community Police, Fire Brigade etc where they could share information and offer advise to members of the public.</p> <p>Local Place Plan Meeting organised between Sara Maclean, Charles Dixon-Spain and ABCAN to discuss next stages in the production the the Community Place Plan</p> <p>Windfarm written update to be distributed and meeting community meeting organised for end of October</p>	<p>DW and CR to organise</p> <p>CDS to attend meeting</p> <p>Produce leaflet for distribution Organise public meeting</p>	<p>DW, CR</p> <p>CDS</p> <p>Sara Maclean , MWR and CDS</p>
AOCB	<p>Meeting dates and agenda to be produced</p> <p>Dunoon ferry route and the complaints about it was discussed. The lack of working toilet facilities on the pier head, roped off seats in the waiting room, daily cancellations , the one vessel service and new off putting fencing at Gourock all testified to a very poor service.</p>	<p>Letter to CMAL listing the problems the community is experiencing when using the Dunoon ferry</p>	<p>CDS</p> <p>MWR</p>
DONM	13 October, Colintraive Hall 7.30pm		