

Your weekly News update Friday 10th May 2024

Hi All,

Here is the weekly news from the Ardentinn Community Council and the Village Hall.

Don't forget the **Quiz Night** is back on at the Village Hall this Saturday 11th May starting at 7.30pm, please come along and support your Village Hall, remember all the money raised goes to keeping the hall running for everyone to use. More details below. There is a prize for the winners.

Ardentinn Community Council News

Roadworks – FLS road from village hall through to the Beach, work starts 13 May 2024

We have received a note from Forestry and Land Scotland (FLS) indicating that starting Monday 13 May 2024 there will be Civil Engineering work on the road past the village hall to the beach. This will include pot hole patching in car park, installation of speed bumps, flood defence and tar patching on access road. The car park will be part closed during operations and traffic management will be in place during works. Work is planned to finish on 31 May 2024



Benmore Botanic Gardens

Some activities/events that may be of interest to you at the Botanic Gardens

Friends of Benmore Plant Sale - Saturday 18th May, 11am - 4pm and Sunday 19th May, 2pm - 4pm at the Walled Garden, Benmore Botanic Garden

A wonderful opportunity to support our volunteers and purchase a splendid selection of plants. Garden admission applies to non-members.

Guided Walks at Benmore –

Every Sunday and Tuesday 2pm from Sunday 14th April-Tuesday 29th October
Spend an afternoon with our Garden Guides and discover the history, plants and seasonal highlights of Benmore Botanic Garden. Meet at the plant sales area. Garden admission applies.

Talk - Plant Names: Tuesday 21st May 2pm-Courtyard Gallery

Plant Names - from Adder's tongue to Zostera, join Greg Kenicer for what promises to be a captivating and entertaining talk.

Greg, a botanist and tutor at the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, has inspired learners of all ages for over 20 years. He is also the author of Scottish Plant Names, Scottish Plant Lore and Plant Magic. Followed by tea and coffee. Members £3, Non-members £5.

Garden admission applies to non-members. Booking - please email: SGray@rbge.org.uk

A Combined Community Council, Dunoon to Gourock Ferry Service Survey

Representatives of a number of Cowal Community Councils (including Ardentinn) and Gourock Community Council met recently to discuss the town centre to town centre ferry route. In order to gauge local opinion, they have prepared a very short survey that simply asks if residents would like to have a better service than the current one. Dunoon Community Council are kindly hosting the survey.

Please fill this in and the group will use the results to decide the way forward. Here is the link to the [survey](#)

Proposed Windfarm - Giants Burn, Sandbank

You may have seen a proposal for a windfarm development recently across social media and/or via a letter in the post. Public exhibitions have recently been held but if you missed them there is information on their webpage - www.giants-burn.co.uk

The proposed wind farm is located 2.1km north-west of Dunoon and 1.5km south-west of Sandbank.

Ardentinny Community Council would be interested in your views as residents, whether they be for or against the proposed windfarm. It would give us a feel for the general view of the village and could be useful if we are approached in the future as to the views of locals.

You can send us your views at the usual email address – ardentinnycc@gmail.com

Ardentinny Community Council Facebook page and Website

The Community Council website can be found here - www.ardentinnycc.co.uk

The Facebook page has been updated, search for **Ardentinny Community Council** and we have an Instagram site under the same name.

Regards

John

Village Hall Weekly News

Residents Surveys

We have now analysed the surveys that people filled in and are starting to use them to plan future events and changes to the hall. We will certainly take note of all the views and observations provided and hope to be in a position to make some announcements to Members at an Extraordinary Meeting in the near future. I will update you with a date for your diary asap.

Broadband

We are now obtaining quotes to get the new Broadband equipment installed and hope to have it up and running shortly.

CALLING ALL QUIZZERS - NEXT Village Hall Quiz Night

John and Elsbeth Brint will be running the acclaimed monthly Village Hall Quiz starting **tomorrow night Saturday 11th May**. It should be a really fun evening.

This time it is a General Knowledge Quiz. The hall will open at 7.00pm and the quiz will start at 7.30pm. Bring your own drinks and snacks – Fee will be £2.50 per person for Members and £3.00 for Non Members – please join any table you wish. Remember all the money raised goes to keeping the hall running for everyone to use. Going forward Quizzes will take place EVERY MONTH on the 2nd Saturday of the month.

Cleaning and Maintenance

We are still looking for volunteers to join the new team. If you can spare some time, we are putting together rotas for cleaning the hall. There are already a number on the list so this means that you would only need to be available say once a month. Also, if you have some practical skills and are



able to carry out some basic maintenance tasks, please let us know. There are a number of jobs needing doing around the hall and any assistance would be much appreciated.

Management Team

Also, if you would like to join the Management Team as a Trustee or if you are able to take on a specific role or task in the hall then please let us know.

Please send us an email at ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com

Below is a list of the regular hall events with contact details. You can also find this on the Ardentinn Community Council web site.

That's all for now
Mark Rowthorn
Chairman

Weekly Groups	Ardentinny Village Hall	13th-19th May 2024
Village hall membership information	Monday	Tuesday
Membership £12 per year from 1 st April each year Pay directly into the hall account with the details below. Please write the first line of your address as the reference and then email your name and the name of anyone else you are paying including the reference that this has been done to: ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com Ardentinny Hall Association A/c: 00123850 Sort: 80-13-46	Ukulele/Music group Please join us on from 17.30pm-19.30pm. Following our successful live debut at the bowling club, we are currently running a beginner session. All abilities welcome, spare instruments available. £3 per session, tea/coffee included. Email :- ardentinny.ukulele@gmail.com for further info.	Badminton 10.30 am – 12.30pm £3 per person. Contact for more info- Anne Wood 07894 274422
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hobbies 7pm – 9pm All welcome for a chat and a cuppa and friendly help with your knitting/ crochet/ quilting etc. Anyone who has a hobby or would just like to drop in and meet people, please call in. Contact Margo Hendry 01369 810262 £3 per person.	Tai-Chi Heavenly Mountain Gate Tai-Chi Chuan (Yang Tradition) 6.30pm – 7.30pm £5 per person Contact Bryan on 07813 374879 for new enquiries.	
Saturday	Sunday	Hiring the village hall
		Contact for more information ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com £100 Per day £50 1/2 day