

ARISAIG AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**DRAFT Minutes of the meeting of the Arisaig District and Community Council
Monday 17th November at 7.30pm - Held in person and as a Teams meeting**

Present in person: G MacDonald, S Kingswood, V Stuart-Orchard, PC W Quinn

Attended Online: M Milligan, L Saggars (Councillor)

Apologies: A Whittaker, B Martin

1.	Minutes of meeting held on 20 Oct were approved after being proposed by SK and seconded by GM
2.	Reports: Treasurer – Balance currently £1,000.47 after purchase of Defibrillator pad (£84) and donations from Bonfire Night collection (£233.34). Police – Nothing to report
3.	Mackintosh Centre – currently full for residents, with respite bed booked for next few months. Still seeking additional staff before daycare can re-commence
4.	Burial Ground – need to follow up with ACT to determine exact area of land that may be available when new housing is built. Details then to be forwarded to HC to confirm suitability
5.	Local Place Plan – Tiina Heinonen is taking the lead moving forward and hopes to set up community engagement meetings from December
6.	Meeting Updates: A.C.T. – Confirmed that Gower Trust monies will not increase next year making it unlikely that ADCC will be awarded funds for Defibrillator maintenance B8008 – Next meeting w/c 17 Nov RTIFG – All running smoothly – agreed to install bin stores in Arisaig for village bins as part of their winter project schedule Lochaber Health and Social Care – no update
7.	Gower Trust – see above
8.	Planning Applications – nothing of concern.
9.	AOCB Xmas Tree (and lights) – need to check HC have checked lamp posts for column lights . Need to finalise tree collection from Angus MacDonald (hopefully Fri 28 Nov) Resilience Plan – drop-in meeting to be held at Sound Bites on 4 Dec to seek support and input for updated Local Emergency Plan Visitor Levy – No update – likely to be discussed a next HC meeting Village Benches - bench by the rope swings down the Rhu road needs to be assessed for safety and probably removed as it is in a state of disrepair. Will be repaired or replaced as and when funds are available Defibrillator Maintenance – need to find funding source for this of approx. £500pa to cover rolling pad and battery costs Bonfire Night – was very successful. Plans to relocate fireworks area to Marina next year for both safety and improved visibility. Plan to approach businesses to ask for donations to firework funds Accident by Camusdarach Car Park – Police to confirm who owns the land crash was on as fence/tree line needs to be repaired asap – possibly via driver's insurance

Dates for 2025: The meetings take place on the 3rd Monday of the month. There is no meeting in December – the next meeting will be on Monday 19th Jan 2026

All meetings are open to local residents to attend. Meetings can be joined on Zoom or in person. Please contact the Secretary for joining details: info@arisaigcc.org.uk