DRAFT AND SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT MEETING ON 15th September 2025

ARISAIG AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the meeting of the Arisaig District and Community Council Monday 30th June at 7.30pm Held in person and as a Teams meeting

Present in person: G MacDonald, S Kingswood, B Martin, V Stuart-Orchard

Attended Online: H Waterston, A Whittaker, L Saggers (Councillor)

Apologies: M Milligan, Police

1.	Minutes of meeting held on 15 May 2025 were approved after being proposed by AW and seconded by SK
2.	Matters arising from the minutes:
	Swing Park – New swing park complete and being enjoyed by the community.
3.	Mackintosh Centre – currently has 6 residents. Still seeking additional staff before daycare can re-commence
4.	Burial Ground – Still no response from David Lamont at HC despite repeated attempts to contact him. Meeting agreed that this should be taken up the chain to Rachel Robertson at HC
5.	Local Place Plan – Councillor Saggers indicated that despite there being no chance of a full LPP being put in place by the deadline, it may still be possible pulling together a mini one if it can be done cheaply.
6.	Meeting Updates: A.C.T. – New board now in place – and actively encouraging participation from anyone able to get involved. B8008 – Rangers and parking wardens should be in place at start of July RTIFG – noting significant to report Lochaber Health and Social Care – no update
7.	Gower Trust Approvals No applications outstanding
8.	Reports: Treasurer – Balance currently £1,086.06 after bank charges – still running at slight deficit Police – no report
9.	Planning Applications – nothing of concern.
10.	AOCB Resilience Plan – to be worked on for next meeting in Sept
	WIFI Extender – It was agreed that ADCC should purchase WIFI extender from AW at very reduced rate of £25 to use surplus from HC Discretionary Fund Grant for technology
	Visitor Levy – Not likely to be discussed until autumn
	Defibrillator expenses – Gower Trust application to be made for next round of funding in Oct/Nov.
	Dog Waste Bins – need to consider who might help with emptying bins and taking waste to main village bin as HC will not take this on
	Village Bench – being repaired by Mallaig Men's Shed. Donation to be made to them once it is returned. Meeting discussed putting donations box in village (perhaps in hotel) to help raise funds for this and other monthly nominated projects. Hotel to be asked if they would take the donations box
	Roads — Old Road Speed Limit — Kirsten Tate to be approached to ask about possibility of removing 60mph limit from Dunollie towards primary school as the route is much used by walkers. Kirsten Tate to be approached to ask about putting a no through road / children playing sign at entrance to Cannon Gilles Place where tourists often turn/look to use as a though road Kristen Tate to be asked about possibility of removing trees growing on the bridge over the old canal as they will erode the bridge if left to grow
	Bonfire Night – Need to apply for new Public Entertainment Licence Old Post Office Water Connection – meeting discussed this but it was felt that the contractors have done a good job and no follow up is required.

Elections – With the resignation of H Waterston, there are now just 3 elected members on the CC. It was suggested that to future-proof the CC that we explore the possibilities of using the Council's interim elections to elect co-opted and associate members to the board.

Dates for 2025: The meetings take place on the 3rd Monday of the month. There are no meetings in July, Aug and December – therefore dates are: 15th Sept, 20th Oct and 17th Nov.

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

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