

ARISAIG AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of the Arisaig District and Community Council
Monday 20 May 2024 at 7.30pm
Held in person and as a Teams meeting

Present in person: I Macniven, G MacDonald, S Kingswood, H Waterston A Whittaker, V Stuart-Orchard, Angus MacDonald (Councillor)

Present on-line: Liz Sagers (Councillor)

1. **Minutes** of meeting held on 15 April 2024 were approved.

2. **Matters Arising from Last Minutes:**

-Christmas Lights Update

Still awaiting response from Agricultural Show Committee as to whether they are still keen to donate to the purchase of new Christmas lights for the village. AM suggested that Highland Councillors' Discretionary Fund may be able to make a contribution towards new Christmas lights.

- Bonfire Night

It was agreed that a plan detailing costings should be pulled together so that it is clear what funding is needed. SK highlighted need to ensure that all Highland Council regulations must be met as the Community Council is liable should anything go wrong.

- Bank Update

It was agreed that VS should be added to the bank account as a signatory.

- Swing Park

LS reported that the current Arisaig playpark was in good repair according to the recent HC Playpark conditions report. There may be some funding available from the Scottish Government to upgrade the playpark. Information about the site and what is needed is required.

3. **Mackintosh Centre**

Meeting to be held on 29 May to give feedback on recruitment drive.

4. **Burial Ground**

GM reported that David Lamont at Highland Council had come back to say that the proposed new burial ground was not suitable because of drainage issues and that alternatives must be considered.

5. **Local Place Plan**

Meeting to discuss LPP for the area was held on 15 May. Progress was limited as the task is somewhat daunting. There is to be an online HC led meeting on 28 May explaining LPPs and the best way to approach them. Everyone is encouraged to attend. The next LPP meeting for the area is on 12 June.

6. **Meeting with Arisaig Community Trust**

No date for this yet – is unlikely to happen before ACT AGM

7. **Gower Trust approval requests:** No new requests

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8. **Reports**

-Treasurer: No change other than voucher bought for Becky Donald for preparing ADCC accounts in advance of AGM

-Police: no report

9. Planning Applications: Nothing of concern

10. AOCB:

- VS commented that HC are looking for possible Local Nature Conservation Sites – but that there is not much information. AM suggested following up with Phil Waite at HC.

Date of Next Meeting: 17 June in Astley Hall and online at 7.30pm

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