

ARISAIG AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Arisaig District and Community Council

Monday 16th September at 7.30pm
Held in person and as a Zoom meeting

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

Present on-line: H Waterston, L Saggars (Councillor)

Apologies: A Whittaker

1. Minutes of meeting held on 17th June 2024 were approved.
2. Matters arising from the minutes
 - Christmas Lights – Highland Council discretionary fund approved £1000 grant which has now been received. RTTI Agricultural Show donated £500 and it is hoped that the Arisaig Games will also make a donation. An application for funding has also been made to the Gower Trust. It is estimated that lights will cost £2,628 plus costs of putting up, taking down and storage. HC has been asked to supply an additional socket for lights (£300) – and their response is being chased!
 - Bonfire Night – A very generous anonymous donor has kindly offered to cover the costs of the fireworks for the Bonfire Night.
 - Swing Park – funding initiatives in progress – update at next meeting
3. Mackintosh Centre – Currently looking very positive that the Mackintosh Centre will re-open for residents in mid-October. Daycare should follow once residents are settled and their needs fully known.
4. Burial Ground – No progress in Arisaig as yet, although it was reported that Morar Cemetery has been expanded which should give capacity for up to 5 years. LS to contact Macmillan Trust to see if they've heard anything from the burials team at HC.
5. Local Place Plan – No update at present as the steering group is awaiting the launch of funding to recruit someone to manage the process.
6. Meeting updates – to follow for ACT, B8008, RTIFG and Lochaber Health and Social Care once minutes are issued
7. Gower Trust Approvals – no requests (other than from ADCC for Christmas Lights)
8. Reports -
Treasurer: After receiving the annual HC grant, HC discretionary grant and donation from Agricultural Show, the bank balance stands at £3,199.03

Police: No report
9. Planning Applications – Nothing of concern
10. AOCBd
Resilience Plan – to be dug out and circulated for discussion at next meeting
Remembrance Day – Father Stan to be contacted re service and wreath laying. 2 x wreaths to be ordered for War Memorial and Czech Memorial
Arisaig Fund – Chair to take this on moving forward

Dates for 2024: The meetings take place on the 3rd Monday of the month. There are no meetings in July, Aug and December – therefore the dates for 2024 meetings will be: Oct 21st & Nov 18th.

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