

**Southend Community Council
CC Meeting 23rd February 2022**

Present:

Community Councillors: John Bakes; John McDowall; Margaret McDowall; Elizabeth Barbour; George Hanna; Jimmy Umpherston

Apologies: Pat Healey; Bill Brannigan;

Members of Community Inez Ronald; Linda Brannigan;

Councillor: Donald Kelly

Linda Brannigan had asked if she could be allowed to bring an issue to the Community Council and the attending Councillor and as her Husband is not well if she could speak first and then get away. Mr. Bakes agreed to this and Linda broached the subject of recycling in the community. Although we were all sad to lose Kintyre Recycling the Blue Bins are working well. However the Golf Course do not have any and 100% of their recyclable items are going into the green bins. The same is happening at the Hotel and also the Caravan Parks. Linda petitioned the Councillor to try to do something about this. Donald invited Linda to join the Council's 'Teams Meeting' next week to again discuss this.

Minutes and Matters Arising.

Councillor Kelly spoke to A&B Council re the mound at Cemetery this will be removed. The minute from January was read, proposed by Elizabeth Barbour and Seconded by Jimmy Umpherston

Roads – George and John McD had driven right round the Dalsmirran Road and taken dash-cam footage which was then delivered to Donald Kelly. He in turn has spoken to the Council as it is a major concern. The response is that it has been noted and they intend to do work as and when resources allow. They used to be able to apply to Forestry for funding when timber was extracted. It will continue to be flagged up until something gets done.

Crime Prevention – None

Planning Applications – None

Police Report January

During January 2022 there have been 358 calls to Police for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands policing area. Of these, 48 of the calls for service during this time period related to the West Kintyre & Southend beat area.

These included: 14 x Road Traffic Matters, 4 x Abandoned 999 Calls, 1 x Domestic Incident, 1 x Sheep on Road, 1 x Fire at Property, 5 x Planned Shoot, 2 x Damage to Property, 1 x External Agency Request, 7 x Assist Member of Public, 4 x Police Information, 2 x Task Incident, 1 x Neighbour Dispute, 1 x Abandoned Vehicle, 1 x Disturbance, 1 x Drug Related & 1 x Intruder Alarm.

New Livestock Protection Legislation – Thursday 13th January

This is dog attacks or worrying livestock on agricultural land. The offence is now punishable by up to 12 months imprisonment and/or a fine, up to £40,000. Prevention signs are available by contacting Police Sergeants Ben Rusden at Lochgilphead Police station or Jonathan Watson-Russell at Campbeltown Police station.

Kintyre Medical Group – Staffing and other issues with Practice not acceptable and ongoing

Treasurer's Report – Balances:

Community Council £33,595; Playpark £2521; Sports Field. £305

Councillor's Report: No Report

Thursday Budget to be set for next year; Level of Council Tax possibly 2% and charges for burial possible increase of 8% or 9%; Campbeltown to get New Distilleries, a New Golf Course, Stirling University possible New Fish Farm – Aquaculture. Another petition has been lodged for the RABT

Correspondence: - All emailed

AOB –

Agreed to buy new picnic tables and benches from Auchencorvie – George will see to this

200 Club Jan - £30 Gordon MacSween; £10 David Barbour £10 Ailie MacBrayne; £10 Eric Milligan
Next meeting – Wednesday 30th March 2022