

## SOUTHEND COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING WEDNESDAY 29TH MARCH 2023

PRESENT: John Bakes, Margaret Bakes, Jimmy Umpherston, Chris Cox, Elizabeth Barbouv

APOLOGIES: June McIntyre, Pat Healey

COUNCILLOR: Donald Kelly

COMMUNITY: Linda Brannigan, George Hanna

RESIGNATION: John Bakes said that he had received a letter from Tim Cox, stating that due to work commitments, he could no longer serve on the Community Council. John Bakes said he had replied to Tim and expressed his sorrow to him but fully understood the reason.

### MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Read and accepted     *Proposed*          *Jimmy Umpherston*  
                                  *Seconded*         *John Bakes*

**MATTERS ARISING** Councillor John Armour had received a reply from Evan Beswick, Locality Manager for NHS Highland stating that appointments for physiotherapy must be made via the doctor as Southend are not yet able to make appointments direct. The lock on the bottle bank had now been repaired but the Council said that the second lid had been fastened with rope and they needed to keep an eye on the vandalism. The rope had been attached by John Bakes to prevent the lids blowing off with the wind and was not vandalism.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** A thank you email has been received from Southend SWRI re Tangy Windfarm grant. The bank accounts stand as follows:-

Community Council	£35,456
Playpark	£3,272
Sports Field	£305

**ROADS** The white lines on the B645 have not yet been completed despite dates being provided by Argyll and Bute Council.

**COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** Councillor Kelly outlined three lots of road overlays, firstly at Machariorch, secondly Kilkerran Road to Feochaig, and Killellen to Achnaglach under the Capital Programme. Chris Cox raised a point about road closures overnight on the A83, these were under the control of Bear Scotland who oversee the convoy systems. Discussions are ongoing with regard to a new Primary School in Campbeltown which would see the merger of Castlehill and Dalintober. At the moment a site had not been found. There will be a review of the one way system in Campbeltown as the present system is not satisfactory. MB asked what was likely to happen to the building which was Southend School but Councillor Kelly said he was not sure but thought it may be sold. Linda Brannigan raised the point about the headstone in Keil Cemetery for Bill, the Council had not yet completed the foundations and the headstone could not be put in place, this had been ongoing for nearly twelve months, Councillor Kelly said he would follow up on this.

**PLANNING** Two applications, one for K Galbraith at Coledrain for a septic tank and another for the erection of a shed to store tools and season timber at Feochaig Farm, in the name of Jamie Dick-Cleland. No objections were raised.

**THE KING'S CORONATION** Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> May is Volunteer Day and it was suggested that various activities take place, possibly a beach clean, village tidy, clearing of the steps at St Columba's Footsteps, painting of benches and planters, as well as the provision of an outside power point at Dunaverty Hall. MB and EB have applied for a grant from the National Lottery and an amount of £2,500 has been awarded to be put towards the cost of equipment. MB has applied to the Grab Trust for Litter Pickers and bags. It was suggested that some sort of food be provided for the volunteers who take

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part, John Bakes asked Chris Cox if the Hotel would be happy to supply food, or an alternative would be Ollie McLean. A notice has been put in the Parish Magazine and posters will be displayed nearer the time asking for volunteers. It was also suggested that bedding plants be bought for the planters. The Lord Lieutenant has been informed of the plans and is very supportive

CORRESPONDENCE An email had been received with regard to the tree planting at Amod at the head of Glenbreakerie. This was an update on a previous email. John had received an email from Euan Glen regarding the proposed windfarm at Glenbreakerie, asking for a meeting/zoom but John has asked him to get in touch by phone next week(3rd April).

AOB 200 Club A discussion took place as to whether to continue with the 200 Club or not, but it was felt it was too late to do anything this year and continue as normal, but look at it in six months' time. One suggestinn was that the number of prizes be reduced from four to three. A newsletter is to be sent out shortly and participants asked if they want to subscribe next year. MB stated that a questionnaire should be sent out to update the emergency plan.

#### 200 Club Winners

£30	Norman McWhirter
£10	Sandy Watson
£10	Kate McKerral
£10	Sheila Cox

Meeting closed at 20.50