

SOUTHEND COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING, WEDNESDAY 30TH AUGUST 2023

PRESENT John Bakes, Margaret Bakes, Elizabeth Barbour, Chris Cox, June MacIntyre, Jimmy Umpherston

COMMUNITY Linda Brannigan, George Hanna, Jo Hill, Malcolm Ronald, Inez Ronald, Susan Paterson, PC Alex Burton

COUNCILLOR John Armour

APOLOGIES Pat Healey

MINS OF LAST

MEETING Read and Accepted *Prop Elizabeth Barbour*
Sec Chris Cox

MATTERS ARISING KMG requested orders for prescriptions be done via email, however, patients were unable to access this due to technical fault, KMG to rectify.

TREASURER'S

REPORT Bank accounts as follows:-

SCC	£36,258
Playpark	£2,960
Sports Field	£305

With regard to the items set out in the Play Park equipment condition report, items for repair are awaiting delivery. Total cost of items will be £1042 + VAT. Tangy 2 report has been submitted.

ROADS Complaints and requests are still being received re the matter of no white lines down the B642 Southend road, however, A&B Council insist the road is not wide enough. JB to contact the Roads department to request the matter be looked into again.

POLICE No report received from Police Scotland, PC Burton stated that he had nothing further to report re Southend.

COUNCILLORS REPORT John Armour advised of meeting at Southend School earlier to discuss closure, date set for March 2024.. A&B Council are seeking views on the proposal. MAKI held a Consultation re Rest and Be Thankful in Lochgilphead and Arrochar, but not Campbeltown, JA raised the matter that Campbeltown had some of the largest businesses in the area, he was told that display boards would be in the library for residents to read, but JA stated that Campbeltown should have been included in the consultation. RAAC has been found in only one school in the area, Hermitage Academy in Helensburgh, other properties in the area are being checked. SP asked about houses in the area John said it was up to the Housing Associations to check their own properties. There is to be a by election following the resignation of Cllr Donald Kelly, this to take place in November. The flood scheme in Campbeltown is nearing completion and the car park in Burnside Square has now re-opened. The Environment Development and Infrastructure met recently and recommended that members should agree to replacing summer bedding plants with perennials everywhere except Rothesay but this was rejected and so summer bedding plants will remain a feature. Quarterly meetings of the Area Community Planning Groups will be held in each of the 4 administrative areas which oversee the implementation of the localised delivery plan for each respective area and act as a conduit to ensure local priorities are met and local issues are addressed. Members of the Community Council were encouraged to attend.

Linda Brannigan asked when Aqualibrium would re-open, Legionella has been found in the water supply and will be treated accordingly. Will re-open once it is safe to do so.

PLANNING Two planning applications were submitted re forestry work in Killdaloig and Achnaclach although no clear indication of what the work would be.

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KMG As previously stated there is a problem with the email ordering system. Slight improvement in that a doctor is available every day except Wednesday.

CORRESPONDENCE EB has received a communication from The Kintyre Way about a meeting to be held in Dunaverty Hall on 31st October, and other venues on other dates, seeking support for The Kintyre Way. Anyone wishing to attend must register online.

AOB Further to the meeting at Southend School, it was stated that parents preferred to send their children to the schools in Campbeltown, if Southend re-opened there would be no pre-school facility provided. Regulations have changed as to facilities for pre-school pupils.

The future of Southend Community Council was discussed, some of the Committee are getting older and wish to step down. It was suggested that members tried to encourage one person each to be a committee member. A long discussion took place to see if an alternative could be found to deal with events, both for the Community Council and Dunaverty Hall to relieve pressure on current members on both committees.. SP suggested appointing a manager, funded by grants. It was also suggested that community council meetings do not need to be monthly but could be possible four a year.

Bonfire to be held on Sunday 5th November, EB to seek help/wood from Young Farmers in the week before. She has made an approach to the firework provider.

Bowls Night to go ahead on 18th November, MB to obtain licence for Bowls Night and Seniors Christmas Party in December.

Linda Brannigan announced that there is to be an AGM for Dunaverty Players in October, followed by and EGM to wind down the group due to lack of support.

200 CUB

£30 Lorraine Milligan

£10 Sandy Watson

£10 Katherine McCorkindale

Meeting closed at 9.45. Date of next meeting Wednesday 25th October at 8pm in Dunaverty Hall.