

Southend Community Council

Minutes of Meeting 26th June 2025

Attendance:	
Community Councillors	General Public
John Bakes, Convener Elizabeth Barbour, Treasurer Lorna Bell, Secretary Pat Healey Jimmy Umpherson Chris Cox John Coffield	Malcolm Ronald Inez Ronald Mike Healey George Hanna Jo Hill Tim Linda Brannigan
Police	
Sgt Rep	
Apologies	
Cllr John Armour	

1. **Welcome.** The Convener welcomed all present. The minutes of the last meeting were amended and accepted as a true record; Proposer-CC, Seconder-JU.
2. **Update on Actions from Last Minutes**
 - **Glass recycling bins at Keil Car Park.** These have now been emptied; JB has fixed the lids on two of them. A larger commercial bin has been installed.
 - **Overgrown verges.** The overgrown verges are causing a danger to drivers, obscuring line of sight onto the main road from junctions and through the village. JB to contact the council.
3. **Matters Arising.**
 - **Mill Park:** A member of the community, Rolline McKerral raised concerns that people were going too fast for the road conditions at Mill Park. The trees have grown up from the river and are obscuring the bridge, making it difficult to see the bend in the road until quite close to it. Requested the CC write to the Council. Police advised that there have been 2-accidents there in the last year (due to deer). Advised to call the council again. JB will raise with Cllr Armour.
 - **New Southend leaflets** were made by John Coffield. They'll be put around Southend. JB will make a weather-proof box for the Keil Car Park. Cost £102 for 2000.
4. **Treasurers Report**
 - Community Council £35,555
 - Playpark £1444
 - £250 in from the 200 Club
 - £250 paid in from SSN
 - Play Park inspection to be organised
5. **Police Report.** No crimes reported in Southend in the past month. JH raised that Honesty Boxes had been robbed in the area (Low Machrimore Farm, Wee Bake Box, Acharua Farm). Traffic Lights at Inverary Bridge are ineffective. Police will notify BEAR Scotland.

6. **Councillors Report.** None.

7. **Correspondence.** Nil.

8. **Events.**

- Mowi community meeting is on 26th June.

9. **AOCB**

- **Dunaverty Hall Cttee.** Will no longer donate the bar profits from Bowls Night and Seniors Christmas Party. The SCC will look to raise funds from other means (see above). Whilst this was disappointing for the CC, who use the profits to fund the Seniors Xmas Dinner, and much discussion ensued, the Convener made the point that SCC and Dunaverty Hall Cttee's work together well and should continue to do so. Both cttee's agreed.
- **Funding Ideas for Seniors £750.**
 - LB requested SCC and community to come up with ideas to raise money for the Seniors Christmas Party, for discussion in the August Mtg.

10. **200 Club**

June
Jane McCorkindale £30
Mike Taylor £10
Fiona Semple £10

11. **DONM** - Wednesday 27th August, 8pm.