

SOUTHEND COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING 26TH JUNE 2024

- Present** John Bakes(Convenor) Margaret Bakes(Secretary) Elizabeth Barbour(Treasurer) Pat Healey June McIntyre Lorna Bell
- Community** Terry Leahy Alec Ramsay Linda Brannigan John Coffield Inez Ronald Malcolm Ronald Rev Stephen Sass
- Apologies** Cllr John Armour, George Hanna Jo Hill Chris Cox Jimmy Umpherston
- Mins of Last Meeting** Read and accepted *Prop June McIntyre*
Sec Elizabeth Barbour
- Matters Arising** Trees at Mill Park raised, awaiting response from Cllr Kelly. In addition there was a report of blue and green bins left at the road side at Mill Park. It was felt they could be a traffic hazard on a windy day. Cllr Kelly to be asked to contact ACHA to see if they could resolve this with the current tenant. It was noted that the plaque on the oak tree outside the Playpark is missing, it was suggested a more permanent sign be erected. This tree was planted to commemorate the anniversary in 2018 of the end of World War One. It was noted that dog walkers are taking their dogs into the Playpark area, this is despite the notice that says dogs are not allowed. Linda Brannigan said that the sign for St Columba's Footprints has disappeared. JB to check. Following a dispute about the photo of the King in Dunaverty Hall, this has now been resolved.
- Treasurer's Rep** Bank Accounts stand at Community Council £35,841.77, Playpark account £1,708.82, Sports Field £305. A suggestion was made to apply to Tangy Windfarm Trust next year for funding for the Playpark.
- Roads** Nothing to report. Terry Leahy asked if Teapot Lane is a private road, John Bakes confirmed that it is, and residents must pay for repairs.
- Planning Apps** None
- Chinook Mem** Rev Stephen Sass thanked everyone for the hospitality shown from the village to the visitors to the Memorial Service in June, John Bakes thanked everyone for their contribution on the day, more people arrived than were expected. John Bakes read out a letter received from the Royal British Legion(Campbeltown branch) thanking the community for all their hard work and for making the visitors welcome. Rev Sass said that the Conventicle was a success and once again thanked everyone for their help.

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PlayPark Kenny Ronald has been cutting the grass, George Hanna has assisted with some of the work. The gates have been fitted but await a catch. Malcolm and Inez painted the benches, Pat Carter does a sterling job looking after the outside toilet at the back of the Hall. It was suggested that a sign was needed to show where the toilet is situated. The Convenor thanked everyone for their commitment.

Correspondence John Bakes stated he had received a letter from a lady pointing out there is no ramp for wheelchair users to access Carskiew Beach but it was felt that this would not be feasible, there had been one previously but the sea had washed it away.

AOB John Coffield suggested it might be good to provide keep fit equipment around the edge of the Sports Field for adults, this was discussed and John Bakes asked John Coffield if he could obtain some prices to give an idea of the cost. Lorna Bell has been contacted by a former resident of Southend with regard to a plaque for the RAF Shackleton which crashed on the Mull in the 1950's.

200 Club	£30	James Barber
	£10	Ruaridh Barbour
	£10	Andrew Bawn

Meeting closed at 20.55.

No meeting at the end of July, next meeting 28th August at 8pm in Dunaverty Hall.