

**RHU & SHANDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL (R&SCC) – WED 13 JUN 18
MEETING**

GUEST SPEAKER – ADELE MCGOOKIN – REPORT

- Naval Base Commander Succession Commodore Mark Gayfer RN will depart HMNB Clyde on 19 June and will be replaced by Commodore Donald Doull.
- The Off Site Staging Area (OSSA) The OSSA planning application was approved by Argyll and Bute Council in May. This facility will provide us with a capability to manage the flow of construction HGV traffic to the base and minimise the impact on local roads and ease any traffic congestion. The facility will be provided on existing MOD land (OFD site) with a minimum of new infrastructure.
- Submarine Training Facility (SMTF) As briefed in February, the SMTF facility held a public consultation in Garelochhead. There was limited public attendance and the planning application was submitted to Argyll and Bute Council as planned.
- Sailing We continue to work closely with Royal Northern and expect to have use of some of their new facilities when complete (at Rhu Marina) to support dinghy sailing and shore based training.
- The Ardenconnel Grass Sports Pitch The Naval Base no longer intends to develop a 3G artificial pitch in Rhu. The existing grass playing field and associated changing facilities will be maintained and used by Service Personnel and limited number of approved local youth football clubs.
- Exercise Evening Star Engagement ongoing with Argyll and Bute Council Planners in the build up to the next Evening Star exercise, which is 3-yearly Level 2 including Clyde Off Site Centre multi-agency players.