

# RHU AND SHANDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

December 1st 2021

## PAPERS FOR ZOOM MEETING

1. **APOLOGIES:** Ahead of meeting from Inspector Roddy MacNeil
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
3. **GUEST REPORTS:**
  - a. Police Scotland: Appendix 1 will be posted on the website.
  - b. HMNB Clyde: Appendix 2 will be posted on the website.
4. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING. not on current agenda**
5. **PLANNING MATTERS:**
  - a. **Invergare: 21/01248/PP and 21/01404/PP**

The owners have lodged an appeal with the Scottish Government to try to reverse the Council's ban on the use of the property for short rental.
  - b. **Duneira, Pier Road Planning Ref: 19/01573/PP**

The property is still being used for short term lets
  - c. **21/01540/PP: Erection of 2 dwelling houses on Land South West Of Tigh Geal, Station Road, Rhu**

This application has been withdrawn.
6. **OTHER MATTERS:**
  - a. **Forestry Report:**

The Pier Road Group (JMcG, LF, AM) who have been pursuing the issue of forestry traffic on Pier and Station Roads shared the results of the extensive research they have undertaken, particularly regarding an alternate route to Pier Road for the extraction of timber.

The owner of Drumfad farm has confirmed that no approach has been made to him regarding the transportation of timber across his land. We have had no reply to the direct question as to whether he would be prepared to allow a track to be built across his land to join up with existing roads
  - b. **Aldonaig.**

In early November the owner of Aldonaig indicated in an email that the lease of the current tenant will be terminated shortly. As of the end of November, the tenant was still keeping chickens at the farm. It is possible that the owner would be prepared to sell the land. . There is still local interest in a community buy-out of Aldonaig and forming a Community Development Trust to acquire Aldonaig for community benefit.

Planted ancient woodland (PAWS) on **Torr Farm** was subjected to felling earlier this year that far exceeded the permitted felling allowed and was done without a licence. According to Planning, Forestry Scotland has received a draft management plan. The trees felled were alder and the allowed them to see how well they would coppice and the result was extremely good. Once the management plan has been agreed it will be shared with the Community Council. There is no agreement for re-plant in place with forestry, In terms of a TPO there is no emergency TPO in place, but planning are proposing to visit the site soon to determine the extent of the proposed TPO. Then this will need to go through the normal process of designating a new TPO...

**c: Future of the Bowling Club site.**

The Convener will report at the meeting

**d: Marina and RNCYC**

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**7: CONSULTATIONS.**

- a. Event Engagement Survey: Closes 31st March 2022  
Ongoing, details on the Consultations page of our website.
- b. Review of the Scheme for Establishment of Community Councils  
This short Consultation (September 30<sup>th</sup> to November 26<sup>th</sup>) was on proposals to amend the scheme to allow meetings
  - 1. to be held by remote means; and
  - 2. to be held by combination of remote and in person attendance.We supported the latter and also suggested that voting on issues by email should be included in the Scheme since, as in this case, the Community Council may not meet within the timescale of a consultation.

**8. :TREASURER'S REPORT**

<b>Cash in Bank</b>	<b>£5,330.91</b>
RSCC Funds	£3,575.28
Wellbeing Grant Fund	£ 850.00
PPE Grant Fund	£ 229.63
Xmas Tree Lights Fund	£ 676.00

**8. CORRESPONDENCE.**

The next Community Council elections will be on 20th October 2022.

The Community Hub in Helensburgh will be launched on 15<sup>th</sup> December.

The by- election for the vacant Lomond North seat is on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

**9. .COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS.**

**10. MEMBERS REPORTS.**

**11. AOB.**

**The summary of the agreed decisions and actions and appendices will be posted on the website**

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