

Inaugural Meeting of the Rhu & Shandon Community Council
held in Rhu Community Educations Centre, Tuesday 14th May 2018

Present: **Fiona Baker** **Linda Black**
 Jean Cook **James Duncan**
 Linda Duncan **Derek Hall**
 Peter Knox **Timothy Lamb**
 Jack Rudrum
 Stuart McLean (on behalf of the Returning Officer)
 1 member of the public and Councillor George Freeman

1. Stuart McLean, on behalf of the Returning Officer, welcomed all to the meeting and reported on the results of the recent election.
2. Apologies for absence were received from Olivia Birch and Andrew Nicholson.
3. There were no declarations of interest intimated.
4. It was agreed unanimously to appoint Jack Rudrum as Convener of Rhu and Shandon Community Council.
5. It was agreed unanimously to appoint Jim Duncan as Vice-Convener Rhu and Shandon Community Council.
6. It was unanimously agreed to appoint Jean Cook as Secretary of Rhu and Shandon Community Council.
7. It was unanimously agreed to appoint Linda Duncan as Treasurer of Rhu and Shandon Community Council.
8. It was unanimously agreed to appoint Andrew Nicholson as Rhu and Shandon Community Council specialist administrator.
9. The community council considered and adopted the Model Constitution:.. Appendix 1
10. The community council considered and adopted the Model Standing Orders:..Appendix 2
11. The community council considered and adopted the Best Practice Agreement: .Appendix 3
12. Stuart McLean highlighted a range of governance issues including timescales for issue of agenda and minutes; the co-option process; forming committees; information on complaints processes and the new provision to include a process for sanctions; and information on the new General Data Protection Regulations.

13. The community council noted the request made by the WWI Steering Group to participate in the Beacons of Light Nation's Tribute on 11th November 2018.
14. The next meeting of the Rhu and Shandon Community Council will be held on Wednesday 13th June 2018.

General update:

Conservation Area Assessment

The Community Council noted that they had received a request from Argyll and Bute Council regarding the repayment of a grant that had been awarded to fund a conservation area assessment.

The Community Council agreed that this would be considered at the next meeting of Rhu and Shandon Community Council.

Pre-Planning Application Waterfront

The Community Council received an update regarding the pre-planning application for the Helensburgh Waterfront Development.

It was noted that Helensburgh Community Council had undertaken a survey of constituents regarding the proposals and would be happy to share this with Rhu and Shandon Community Council.

Post Office

It was noted that the Royal Mail are actively seeking a new Local Post Master. Members were advised that this may take some time.

Japanese Knotweed

Members noted that Japanese Knotweed and its impact on the area would be included on a future agenda of the Community Council.

Note. This minute has been corrected
In 14, in the original minute the date of the next meeting was given as Tuesday 6th June.