

# **RHU AND SHANDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Wednesday 11th February 2015**

**Rhu Village Hall  
7.30pm**

## **AGENDA**

- 1. APOLOGIES**
- 2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**
- 3. GUEST SPEAKERS:**
  - i. Inspector Claire Miller
  - ii. Constable Andy Crawford
  - iii. Cdr James Leatherby (Report circulated)
- 4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 12TH 2014.**
- 5. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA:**
- 6. PLANNING MATTERS:**
  - i. Helensburgh Wind Farm.
  - ii. LDP
  - iii. Other planning applications
- 7. LOCAL RECURRING ISSUES:**
  - i. Broadband
  - ii. Japanese Knotweed
  - iii. Control of Vegetation on the Lochside
  - iv. Roads and Lighting
- 8. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK:**
- 9. TREASURER'S REPORT:**
- 10. CORRESPONDENCE:**
- 11. WEBSITE AND RELATED ISSUES:**
- 12. MEMBERS REPORTS:**
- 13. AOB**

**AS ALWAYS, THIS IS AN OPEN MEETING AND ANY RHU OR SHANDON RESIDENT IS WELCOME TO ATTEND.**

**The minute of the December meeting, this agenda and circulated papers are posted on the website [www.rhuandshandoncommunity.org](http://www.rhuandshandoncommunity.org)**

**Item 3 (iii) report by CDR JAMES LEATHERBY (JL)**

- a) **Japanese Knotweed.** There are no new developments to report.
- b) **Wind Farms & Micro-hydro Electric Schemes.** No new developments to report.
- c) **HMNB Clyde Single Living and Local Clyde Service Families' Accommodation.** Nothing significant to report (NSTR).
- d) **Exercise JOINT WARRIOR 151.** The first major exercise this year is expected to involve around 60 ships; 25 in Faslane with others berthed elsewhere on the Clyde and in Glasgow. The main briefing weekend (10-12 April) will be very busy.
- e) **Armed Forces Community Covenant.** In continuation of previous advice, 7 bids were submitted from Argyll & Bute to the Regional Board for the AF Community Covenant Grant scheme. To date their decisions are still awaited.
- f) **LIBOR Funding Windfall for the Drumfork Centre in Churchill Square, Helensburgh.** As an example of what can be achieved, the link relating to the £2M grant from the London Interbank Offered Rate fines for malpractice can be found at:  
<http://www.fundraising.co.uk/2015/01/30/4m-bank-fines-donated-navys-charity/>
- g) **HMNB Clyde's Continued Involvement with the Local Community.** The Base Executive Officer (Cdr Ian Riches) reports that he is yet to receive any bids from any of the local stakeholders he had approached last summer, but plenty through Service channels. His message is simple, unless bids are received now then it is unlikely that the Base will be able to contribute even to its traditional commitments (including Rhu Gala).
- h) **Ardenconnel Field – HMNB Clyde's Aspiration to Transform it into a 3G Artificial Pitch.** No new developments to report.
- i) **New Faces in the Base.** Having stated at the last meeting that a period of stability amongst the senior management was now anticipated, the New Year has arrived with the prospect of another change of "Captain, HMS NEPTUNE" by the end of February.