

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 20 OCTOBER 2025

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

Patrick Trust (Convener), welcomed all present. He reminded everyone that the meeting is recorded for the purpose of taking minutes. **Patrick** thanked **Lindsey** for chairing the meeting held on 15 September 2025.

PRESENT

Patrick Trust (Convener), Lindsey Young (Vice Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Alasdair MacCuish, Councillor Paul Kennedy, PC Kierran Cameron and 16 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Alice Cook, Rob Irving, Bob Murray, Christine Nevin, Caroline McNair, Heather Munro, and Simone McLeod.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Patrick said that he is a **Community Member of the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership** and **Secretary of the Geilston Hall Management Committee**.

Lindsey Young said that she is a member of **Cardross CAN** and the community engagement officer for **Argyll and Bute Climate Action Network** for the **Helensburgh and Lomond Area and Cardross**.

Alasdair said that he is a **Member of the Geilston Hall Management Committee**.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2025.

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by **Alasdair MacCuish** and seconded by **Lindsey Young**.

POLICE REPORT

PC Kierran Cameron said that 32 incidents had been reported. These generated 11 crimes as follows:-

5 Road Traffic Offences.

4 Disorder and violence offences.

1 sheep worrying offence.

SCHOOL REPORT

Patrick said there is not much to update on the school activities. The **Macmillan coffee morning** held on 26 September was very well supported. £500 was raised for the charity. A senior citizens Christmas Show will be hosted this year. The date has yet to be confirmed. The School is working with the **Parent Council** to improve parking during Drop Off and Pick Up times.

CYCLETRACK

Lindsey said that there have been no further developments in the last month.

MATTERS ARISING

- Road Drains:** **Patrick** said that some drains have been cleared but there are still a few that have not been attended to. **Councillor Kennedy** said he has been told by officers that drain clearing is continuing.
- Cardross Library:** **Patrick** said that although the library will **remain open** after recent closure proposals were officially withdrawn by **Live Argyll** and **Argyle and Bute Council**, we should remain vigilant to the threat of closure.
- Playpark next to School:-** **Lindsey** said that it is ridiculous that the playpark has been closed for so long. The problem with the molehills should have been taken care of, months ago. **Susan Marshal** suggested that ownership of the park, which had been transferred from the Council to Argyll Community Housing Association (ACCA), should be transferred back to the Council. **Councillor Kennedy** said that apart from the possible legal implications of this, Argyll and Bute Council would have to seriously consider the financial implications of such a move.
- Church Avenue Playpark:-** **Patrick** said that details of the funding to the **Cardross Trust**, allowing them to repair the damaged roundabout, are unclear.
- Estate Agent Signs:-** **Patrick** said that house “for sale” signs, are still being erected some distance from the properties involved.

CORRESPONDENCE

Both **Patrick** and **Duncan** said that they had received nothing of note.

PLANNING

Patrick read from **Rob’s** report as follows:-

Applications launched since the September CCC meeting.

1. Sub-division of existing dwelling house at Nether Lyleston to form two dwelling houses. This does not seem likely to be of concern to the Community Council.

Application for the construction of a dwelling on land west of 1 Crystal Gardens.

This application has been withdrawn. The applicant intends to work on a flood strategy and will resubmit in due course.

Cala Development

As reported at the August CCC meeting, **Cala** submitted a new planning application seeking to collect together the discharge of all the conditions that were attached to the original planning application approval. This application has now been approved.

No further information is available from the planning authority regarding the access arrangements via **Darleith Road**. However, there is ongoing correspondence between the developer and Gordon Hendry regarding the boundary of his property adjacent to **Darleith Road**.

Taylor Wimpey Development

No additional information on the Council web site since the CCC September meeting.

Development At Ardoch

Brian Watt said there is no additional information since the CCC September meeting.

HEALTH

Vale of Leven Hospital Watch had a meeting with **Greater Glasgow Health Board** recently. No senior member of the Board was present. The Board are going to fully reinstate the **Physio Department** at the Vale of Leven Hospital.

The Minor Injuries night nurses have NOT been replaced. The Board wish to make the Vale the same as **Stobhill** and the **Victoria** by NOT providing any Minor Injuries Service overnight. The **GPs** who run the out of hours service at the Vale, are keen to continue the service. However, they do need an out of hours nurse to be present. The Care of the Elderly wards in the Vale, are NOT under the Acute Hospital Trust. They are run by the **West Dunbartonshire Health and Social Care Partnership** from Clydebank. It is hoped that a representative of **WDHSCP** will be able to attend future Hospital Watch meetings.

CARDROSS CANGROUP (CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK)

Lindsey said the **Cardross Community Organic Garden** had a very successful plant sale. The total raised was **£660.00**. **Cardross CAN** had their AGM a couple of weeks ago. The Repair Café is on this Saturday in Helensburgh, from 9.30 until 13.30.

LOCAL PLACE PLAN

Lindsey said that the group is meeting tomorrow evening. The group will be working on a draft report.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Church Hall Grounds:- **Gordon Stevenson** said that parts of the grounds are being used as “drinking” areas at the weekends. The youths involved seem to arrive by train. It appears from the plastic bags left around the area, that the alcohol is being purchased from Cardross Post Office. **Gordon** asked **PC Cameron** if the area could be policed at the weekends. **PC Cameron** said that the area is policed at weekends. It would help if the police could be phoned while the youngsters are there. **Gordon** said that local residents had tried to phone the police on the Non Emergency Number 101. There was no reply after an hour of the phone ringing out. **Gordon** asked if the police could have a word with the shop staff regarding selling alcohol to the youngsters.

Beach Clean:- The beach clean will be held on Saturday 25 October from 10.00 until 12.00.

Newsagent Shop:- The owner complained about dog poo being left at the shop entrance this morning. **Patrick** said that anyone seeing this behaviour, should report it to the Council Dog Warden. **Susan Marshal** said that she had reported an incident online on the Council website. She had no response.

Hogmanay Party:- **Patrick** said that a Hogmanay Party will be held in the Geilston Hall. It is a family event and tickets will be £10.00 each. Doors will be open at 20.00. Last entry will be at 22.30 when the doors will be closed. It is “Bring Your Own Bottle” and recorded ceilidh dance music will be provided. Anne Thorn and Stella Kinlock will help. Anne is organising ceilidh dancing classes for children and adults in Helensburgh Parish Church on 26 October from 15.00 until 16.30. Also on 30 November and 20 December.

CCC Finances:- **Brian** said that there is £1310.00 available in the account.

Remembrance:- **Patrick** said that the **Remembrance Service** will be held in the village on Sunday 9 November.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 17 November 2025** at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Vice Convener.