

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 21 OCTOBER 2024

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

Lindsey Young (Vice Convener) opened the meeting by welcoming **PC Kierran Cameron** and all present. **Lindsey** reminded everyone that the meeting is recorded for the purpose of taking minutes. After approval of the minutes, the recording is destroyed.

PRESENT

Lindsey Young (Vice Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Alasdair MacCuish, Heather Munro, Bob Murray, Christine Nevin, Simone McLeod, Caroline McNair, Councillor Paul Kennedy and 13 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Patrick Trust (Convener), Alice Cook, Shuna Gillies and Rob Irving.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Heather Munro said that she is a member of **Cardross CAN**.

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**.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 19 AUGUST 2024

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by **Christine Nevin** and seconded by **Bob Murray**.

POLICE REPORT

PC Kierran Cameron said that he is the new Link Officer for Cardross. **Kierran** stated the crimes in Cardross as follows:- No crimes of note. No Anti Social Behavior crimes and no crime trends.

Kierran said that the speed camera in the village is functioning. The **Safety Camera Partnership** is responsible for the camera and it is operated independently of **Police Scotland**.

Bob asked if vandalism in the school was being dealt with. **Lindsey** said that the CCTV in the school could now help identify the culprits.

Christine said that cars are speeding on roads within housing developments. **PC Cameron** said that speeding in these areas tends to be dealt with by the Local Authority. Measures such as speed bumps can be used.

SCHOOL REPORT

Lindsey said that there was no school report this month

CYCLE PATH

Christine said that things have been quiet at the moment. She suggested that the community council should write to Argyll and Bute asking for an update. **John Middleton** pointed out that last month's minutes stated that the construction cost of the whole project is around £100 million. He thought this seemed rather high. **Councillor Kennedy** said that he would try to get an up to date estimate of the costs.

MATTERS ARISING

Beach Clean: **Bob** said that the beach clean was carried out on 5 October. Numbers attending were down slightly but a considerable quantity of rubbish was collected. The Council have picked this up and the next beach clean will be in April 2025.

Road Drains: **Lindsey** said the blocked road drains on the A814 and Church Avenue, have not yet been cleared. **Caroline** said that she had seen a drain cleaning vehicle operating in Cardross this morning.

ACER Lorries: **Bob** said that he has not seen any ACER lorries on Darleith Road, recently.

Play Parks: **Lindsey** said that the reply she had received from **Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA)** saying that there is no further update as to when the park will be re-opened. **Lindsey** said that she will contact **ACHA** asking if community involvement could help the situation.

Invasive Species: **Lindsey** said that there is an event being held on 1 November, from 4pm until 7pm, at **Cove Park**. The practicalities of dealing with these species will be discussed.

Drop Kerbs: **Councillor Kennedy** said that officers had sent him a list of operations they intended to carry out, to alleviate the problems. **Caroline McNair**, who had complained last month, has not yet been contacted by anyone from Argyll and Bute Council.

Local Place Plans: **Lindsey** said that a **Local Place Plan** steering group has now been formed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said that he had received an email from **Scottish Water** saying that the £1.6million project is on schedule and should be completed by the end of the year. Grass seeding of the disrupted parts of the park, will take place in spring 2025.

Christine suggested that CCC should write to **Scottish Water**, asking how they intend to monitor the sewage that will be going into the Geilston Burn. **Lindsey** agreed to write a letter.

Lindsey said that she had correspondence from **Helen (a member of the public)** said she uses the disabled access into the park from Church Avenue. She asked if the bollard on the scout hall path could be removed, to allow a motorised wheelchair. **Lindsey** said that she will pursue the matter with the council.

Lindsey said that she had received correspondence from **Jane Conolly** who works voluntarily with the Cardross Station Community Organic Garden. She is concerned that the staff member at the station has been absent recently. **Lindsey** agreed to write to **Scotrail**, including all of **Jane's** points, in support of having a permanent member of staff at the station.

PLANNING

Rob sent a summary of current planning issues and **Duncan** read them out. There are two non-controversial domestic applications. One at a property in Kirkton Road and one at a property in Barrs Road

Proposed Cala Development:- Regarding the “Approval of Matters Specified in Conditions 2,3,6,7,8,9,11,12,13,15,16 and 17”, this now appears as “refused” on the website.

Proposal of application notice – Taylor-Wimpey, Geilston Farm:- Two public consultation meetings were arranged in the Geilston Hall on 25 September and 29 October from 16.00 until 20.00 hours.

The Paddock at Ardoch:- New detailed objections have been lodged by **Brian Watts**.

Main Road Garage:- No decision has been made.

HEALTH

There was no report on Health.

CARDROSS CAN GROUP

Lyndsey said CC were supporting the Local Place Plans

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Car Park at Newsagents: **A member of the public** said that a caravan has been parked in the car park for some time and wondered if this is allowed. **Councillor Kennedy** said that he will investigate the situation.

Cardross Library:- A comment was made that there is a risk of the library being closed. The community has resisted previous closure threats and will be monitoring the situation.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 18 November 2024 at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.