

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL

ON MONDAY 16 August 2021

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

Patrick Trust welcomed all present. He reminded everyone that the meeting is recorded for the purpose of taking minutes. After approval of the minutes, the recording is destroyed.

PRESENT

Patrick Trust (Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Heather Munro, Bob Murray, Provost David Kinniburgh, Councillor Gemma Penfold, Councillor Richard Trail, Rev. McArthur and 9 members of the public

APOLOGIES

Mike Brown, Jo Cameron, Mike Crowe, Bobby Beggs, Rob Irving, Alasdair MacCuish, Lindsey Young and Barrie Morton.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Patrick said that he is a community member of the **Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership**. There were no other declarations of interest.

POLICE REPORT

No Police Report had been received.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 21 JUNE 2021

Page 3, **Treasure's Report**, amend **£969.00** to **£989.00**.

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by **Brian Craven** and seconded by **Bob Murray**.

MATTERS ARISING

Footway from Cardross to the Crematorium: **Provost Kinniburgh** said that the road inspector was appalled at the state of the footway. **Provost Kinniburgh** said he is hoping for an update by mid September, listing the works necessary, together with the time scale for the work.

Speed **Provost Kinniburgh** said the initiative is the responsibility of Police Scotland. It had been hoped

Camera: that the camera would be in place this summer, but Covid has slowed the process. **Provost Kinniburgh** said that he will ask for an update on the situation.

Mountain Bike Trails: **Patrick** said that he has heard nothing further on these "trails" within the Kilmahew Estate. **Provost Kinniburgh** said that Planning are aware of the situation and will "Enforce" the situation.

Beach Clean: **Bob** said that the next Beach Clean, will be held on Saturday 25 September 2021.

Kilmahew Education Trust: No one has heard from the **Trust**. **Bob** said that the college and the grounds are open to pedestrians and vehiculat traffic at present. The grounds have not been secured. **Patrick** said that he has offered a place at the Community Council Meeting. He awaits a reply.

A814 Cardross To Helensburgh: **Provost Kinniburgh** said that the white lining work between Helensburgh and Cardross. has been carried out.

Avant Homes: **Bob** said that a surveyor was working on Darleith Road a few weeks ago.

Cycle Path: **Patrick** said an operative on the works said that there were problems. The excavation for the abutment foundations had filled with water. **Patrick** explained that the burn is affected by the tides. **Provost Kinniburgh** said that he will ask **Colin Young** for an update.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said he had received nothing of note.

PLANNING

Duncan said that he had a report from **Rob**, saying that there were two applications in the past couple of months. The first, was for the erection of raised decking at 11 Hillside Road. The second, was for the demolition of a garage and the erection of a side garage extension. No adverse comments were expressed at the meeting. **Patrick** said that the houses next to Shira Lodge are under construction. **Duncan** said that construction of the house had started before the road into the site has been constructed. It is part of the planning permission for the houses that a site road is constructed.

HEALTH

Patrick said that The Lomond Patients Group had a meeting with Jackie Baillie and concerns were raised about the Minor Injuries Unit at the Vale of Leven, still not listed as a 24/7 and always open to the public. The Group had been assured by Management at the Hospital that nobody would be turned away. It has been noted that A&E attendances and waits were lengthening and this was probably due to the difficulty in getting a GP appointment and the slow response to NHS111 /NHS24 calls. **Patrick** said he will bring this to the attention of the Patient Group and they could consider how to respond, **after contacting** the two local HSCPs.

CARDROSS CAN GROUP

Heather gave the **CAN** report as follows:-
 “I’m sure you will all have seen the news coverage last week of the latest IPCC report on climate change, which makes extremely sobering reading. It makes it very clear that the scientific evidence has mounted up and up, to the point that there is no longer any room for reasonable doubt that the climate is changing, and it is caused by our human activities, chiefly releasing greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, from our use of fossil fuels, and destruction of rain forests. And the climate changes are happening faster than was expected. They keep discovering more feedback loops and domino effects. We now are at around 1.1c above the average temp before the industrial revolution. We’re expecting that to be 1.5c by 2040, or earlier if we do nothing. We are now at a stage that we absolutely

have to cut our global carbon emissions by half, by 2030, or else we say goodbye to any possibility of keeping warming within 1.5c. And we know that beyond 1.5 can only be described as catastrophic.

So – Cardross CAN exists to help us all to understand what is happening to our planet, why it's happening, and what we can all do about it. The only way to turn this around is if we ALL do what we can, at the level of governments and industries and businesses, as well as local authorities, communities and individuals. It is not too late! But we really do all need to do what we can.

To that end, Cardross CAN would like to share the knowledge and experience we have in the village, and to support and encourage each other to make the changes that are needed. Since our last update, we have started a Home Energy Efficiency team, who are local professionals who are willing to provide advice for any residents considering improving the energy efficiency of their homes.

We have a Recycle Group who are planning a Repair Café, where people can bring items that would otherwise get thrown out, for volunteers to try and repair.

The Community Garden team have been visiting other community gardens to explore how to make this work here, to promote locally-grown food, to look after people and planet together. And lastly there is a big national campaign in September called the Climate Fringe Week, which promotes community action on climate, particularly for the run-up to COP26. Cardross CAN's contribution to this is a short film which we are making, where local residents were asked to describe their hopes for the future in relation to the climate and ecological emergency, and to imagine what Cardross will look like in 2045, if we get this right, and we are a Net Zero community! So the film is well underway and will be revealed in the Climate Fringe festival in Sept.

I'd be really glad to chat further with anyone about what Cardross CAN is doing, if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks"

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Geilston Gardens:

Ken Readman said that **Kilmahew Education Trust's** offer to purchase the gardens and properties, has been turned down by the **National Trust for Scotland**. **Ken** said that a number of events have been planned at the Gardens.

Sunday 5 September and 3 October, 11am to 3pm – Coffee and Cake Stall.

Sunday 5 September from 2pm – the Helensburgh Oratorio Choir.

Sunday 3 October from 2pm – the Dorian Choir will perform a short concert.

Sunday 3 October from 10am to 4.30pm – the Glorious Garden Trail.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 20 September 2021 at 8.00 p.m. on Zoom. We hope that the next meeting will also be in the Geilston Hall and connected via Zoom, for those not wishing to attend a public meeting in the hall.