

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
GEILSTON HALL AND ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL
ON MONDAY 20 MAY 2024
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. After approval of the minutes, the recording is destroyed.

PRESENT

Patrick Trust (Convener), Lindsey Young (Vice Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Rob Irving, Alasdair MacCuish, Bob Murray, Councillor Paul Kennedy and 10 members of the public. (10 in the hall and 0 on Zoom)

APOLOGIES

Brian Craven (Treasurer), Alice Cook, Shuna Gillies, Simone McLeod, Caroline McNair, Heather Munro, Christine Nevin, and Angela O'Neil.

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**.

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**.

Barrie Morton said that he is a member of **the Geilston Hall Management Committee**.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 18 MARCH 2024

Acceptance of the amended Minutes was proposed by **Rob Irving** and seconded by **Bob Murray**.

POLICE REPORT

Patrick read out the police report for Cardross from 04 April 2024 to 20 May 2024, as follows:-

Serious Organised Crime – None.

Acquisitive Crime – 1 report of attempted housebreaking on Carman Road. No suspect identified.

Road Safety and Road Crime – None.

Violent Crime – None.

Public Protection - 4 reports. 2 regarding threatening behaviour, 1 of which resulted in a report being sent to the children's reporter and the other was undetected. 2 regarding vandalism, 1 at St Peter's Seminary which resulted in a report being sent to the children's reporter and the other was undetected.

SCHOOL REPORT

Patrick said that there is no school report.

CYCLE TRACK

Patrick said that **Jackie Bailie MSP** is arranging a public meeting with some Argyll and Bute Councillors and the Council Officers involved in the cycle track proposal.

MATTERS ARISING

Beach Clean: The beach clean held on 13 April, went well. **Bob** said that he has a number of “pickers” available for anyone who wishes to use them at any time. **Patrick** thanked Argyll and Bute Council for collecting the large number of bags generated by the beach clean.

Telephone Box: **Lindsey** said that the box is going to be cleaned up soon.

Flooding in Cardross Parish Church: **Patrick** said that the flooding has not recurred. The drain in front of the church is still blocked.

Flooding: **Patrick** said that the work being done by Scottish Water in the play park, is to try and solve the flooding issue in Geilston Park. **Patrick** doubts that it will help the flooding on Barrs Road.

Road Drain A814: **Patrick** said there is a blocked road drain outside the Geilston Hall on the A814. It has still not been cleaned out.

Street Sweeper: **Bob** said that the road and gutter, from the Post Office, past the library, round the corner and down Station Road, is still littered. **Councillor Kennedy** has messaged the relevant officer but has not yet had a reply. **Julie Lang** said that there is a street sweeper in Rhu on a Monday morning. There would seem to be no reason why a road sweeper cannot be provided for Cardross.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said that he had received an email from **Robert Harvey of Barrachan on Darlieth Road**. **ACER** lorries have resumed their use of Darlieth Road, at a rate of about one every 90 minutes. **Patrick** said that he has written to **ACER**, and is still awaiting a reply.

PLANNING

Rob said there were three planning applications in the past month.

1. There is an application for a change of use, from a yard to a commercial garage, for the property behind Viewfield on Main Road. A number of very strong objections have been raised by members of the community. Some letters of support have come from out with the village.

It was agreed that the Community Council should write to Argyll and Bute Council registering the local concern.

2. There has been some movement on the web site relating to the **Paddock Development at Ardoch**. There are drawings showing an amended junction with the A814.

3. A date has yet to be fixed for the “Predetermination Meeting” relating to flooding and the **CALA** proposals. It was agreed that the Community Council will have a meeting within the next two weeks, to organise objections into a simplified form.

Patrick said that he was very grateful to **Councillor Kennedy** for persuading the other councillors to organise the “Predetermination Meeting”. **Patrick** said that the many Argyll and Bute councillors have concerns about flooding.

Patrick said there is a problem at the pumping station, on the rough road north of Barrs Road. He said that the golf course put the overflow from the priests’ pond into the ditch at the side of the road. The ditch cannot take storm flows and the water runs down Barrs Road. CALA’s work will not solve the problem of flood water running down Barrs Road.

Frank McGrath (Plumber), said that there is a cundy running from Barrs Road to Darlieth Road.

Lindsey said that she will organise the pre, Predetermination meeting.

HEALTH

Patrick said that **Sexual Health Service** in Helensburgh has collapsed. Complaints have been made to the Health and Social Care Partnership.

CARDROSS CAN GROUP

An **Annual General Meeting** will be held on 12 June 2024. **Cardross Organic Gardens Group** are having a garden open day on 5 June 2024. **Lindsey** said that a tap has been fitted in the station building, for use by the group.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Estate Agent Signs: **Ken Readman** said that there are still signs cluttering up the village. **Bob** said that it is a planning issue and the rules are quite clear. The Council seem to be ignoring the problem.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 17 June 2024 at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall. It will be connected via Zoom for those not wishing to come to the hall. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.