

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 16 January 2017

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

The 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

Tony Davey (Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Jo Cameron, Brian Craven (Treasurer), Bobby Beggs, Eric Duncan, Jim Hollywood, Bob Murray, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Richard Trail, Craig Borland (Helensburgh Advertiser) and 17 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Mike Crowe, Barrie Morton and Councillor Ellen Morton.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

Tony said that there were 5 incidents. They are listed as follows:-

| Date | Location | Crime | Person charged / arrested |
|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 10/12/16 | Bruce Court | Theft from dwelling | Enquiries Continue. |
| 22/12/16 | Darleith Road | Road Traffic Accident | Enquiries Continue. |
| 26-28/12/16 | Barrs Rd. / Mill Rd. | Vehicles vandalised | 1 person reported to P.F. |
| 12/01/17 | Primary School | Attempted Break In | Enquiries Continue. |
| 12/01/17 | Dick Quadrant | Theft from dwelling | Enquiries Continue. |

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 21 NOVEMBER 2016

Acceptance was proposed by **Jim Hollywood** and seconded by **Bob Murray**.

MATTERS ARISING

Gritting on Kirkton Road: Tony said that Kirkton Road was gritted on 4 January 2017. It is assumed that the gritting route has been changed to accommodate Kirkton Road.

- Church Xmas Tree:** **Tony** said that £1000.00 was raised at the event in the Church.
- Gate Padlock Cairniedrouth Farm:** **Tony** said that the matter is still the subject of a legal action but the gate is now open.
- Street Signs:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he is continuing to try to have some street signs replaced.
- Co-op Development:** **Tony** said that there has been a little amount of work carried out around The Muirholm. There has been no additional information forthcoming from the Developer or the Co-op.
- Cycle Track:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said there is nothing to report as yet, although developments are going on in the background.
- Station Road at Railway Crossing:** **Tony** said that a lack of manpower is preventing the road surface repairs being carried out. Repairs will be carried out when resources allow.
- Street Lighting:** **Tony** said a great deal of concern has been raised over the last 2 months at the number of dark lamps in Cardross. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the Contractors are due to be in the area tomorrow. It is hoped that the dark lamps will be looked at tomorrow. The timing issue on Hillside Road will be addressed. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he has the locations of the dark lamps on Church Avenue and will pass the information to the lighting section tomorrow.
- Pedestrian Crossing Repairs:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that repairs will be carried out as soon as equipment is delivered.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said that there two pieces of correspondence. The first, was a note from **Ian Brown** raising the following points:-

1. A number of street lights on Main Road and Muirend Road have been out for 4 months.
2. The footway at the pedestrian crossing near the Post Office is uneven and is a trip hazard.
3. The high growing nettles at the trees in Napier Avenue are overgrowing the footway and have not been cut back.
4. The new equipment at the sawmill is much louder. Any shift workers must have difficulty sleeping in the day time.

The second, was a phone call from **Mrs Sergeant** relating to the noise from the Sawmill. She said that she was wakened up at 8 o'clock one morning by the noise from the equipment in the sawmill. (in spite of the fact that she is deaf).

Mary Watt is coming to her house tomorrow with noise measuring equipment.

Mrs Sergeant's concern is that the equipment will not be left in place over an extended period. It will not be possible to assess noise levels, unless the noise is made at the time of **Ms. Watt's** visit.

Councillor Kinniburgh said that the matter is under investigation by Environmental Health within The Council. (Point 4 of **Mr. Brown's** comments is covered by this reply).

Tony asked that where a member of the public has a long list of concerns, they should address them to him or the Secretary. It should then be possible to have some answers ready in time for the Community Council Meeting.

PLANNING

Tony said that the two main issues are housing at the "Paddock" near Lea Brae and housing at Darlieth Road. As far as the "Paddock" is concerned, the Community Council has made a submission on behalf of the community. **Tony** urged any members of the community wishing to express individual views, should do so as soon as possible.

Tony said that the public hearing relating to proposals for housing at Darlieth Road, will be held in the Geilston Hall at 10.30 on 24 January 2017.

Bobby said there are 5 applications.

1. The erection of 5 dwelling houses at the Paddock.
2. The erection of an extension at 10 Graham Crescent.
3. The erection of a detached garage at "Evergreen", Borrowfield, Station Road.
4. The installation of a dish to an extended mono pole, Cairniedrourth Farm.
5. The erection of a sign for "Riding Sawmill", Station Road.

These are all Household Developments.

HEALTH

Tony said that there are no issues this month.

AOCB

Scotrail: **Tony** said that **Scotrail** are happy to have a Community Notice Board installed in their ticket office.

Rubbish Collection: **Tony** said that there were concerns about the 3 week collection of some bins. The **Park Road/Dick Quadrant** recycling area is having rubbish dumped around the full containers. **George Murphy** said that collections at New Year had not been in accordance with the printed Schedule, available to the community. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that there had been teething problems with the new system, but they are being addressed.

Churches: **Tony** said that the Parish Church and St. Mahews are having a combined service on 22 January 2017.

AGM: **Tony** said that the Annual General Meeting had been scheduled for 17 April which is Easter Monday. He suggested moving the meeting to 24 April. The change was unanimously agreed.

Railway Horns: **Bob** said the trains are sounding horns from 05.45 until 23.45. He said he will pursue the matter.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Street Lighting Ferry Road: **George Murphy** said that the quality of lighting is very poor. The existing fitting should be replaced or an additional standard should be erected. **Councillor Kinniburgh** agreed to look into the matter.

Proposed Housing at Darleith Rd.: **Julie Lang** asked if the Community Council will be represented at the public meeting on 24 January. **Tony** said he will be present along with **Gordon Hendry BSc., C.Eng., M.I.C.E.**, who was co-opted onto the council and the secretary **Duncan Stirling BSc., C.Eng., M.I.C.E.** **Gordon** will submit technical objections to the traffic management proposals and **Duncan** will submit additional technical objections, on behalf of the Community Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 20 February at 8.00pm** in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 20 February 2017

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

The 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

Tony Davey (Convener), Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Jo Cameron, Brian Craven (Treasurer), Mike Crowe, Bobby Beggs, Eric Duncan, Bob Murray, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Ellen Morton. Councillor Richard Trail, PC Andrew Gallagher, PC Nikki Brindle, Craig Borland (Helensburgh Advertiser) and 16 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Jim Hollywood and Barrie Morton.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

PC Gallagher warned that the public should be aware of bogus callers. He said that the police will continue to carry out speed checks in Cardross. He said that from 1 March anyone caught using a mobile phone could be subject to a £200 fine. He said that any suspicious behaviour should be reported on the 101 phone line. **PC Gallagher** said there had been 4 incidents They are listed as follows;-

| Date | Location | Crime | Person charged / arrested |
|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| 11/01/17 | Nursery | Attempted Break In | Enquiries Continue. |
| 12/01/17 | Dick Quadrant | Theft from dwelling | Enquiries Continue. |
| 10/01/17 | Cairniedrouth | Telephone wire cut | Enquiries Continue. |
| 27/01/17 | Cairniedrouth | Windows smashed | Enquiries Continue. |

Morag Ramsay said that cars speed on the road outside the Geilston Hall.

Sandra Paterson asked if parking on the footway at the shops near Cedarwood Court, could be prevented.

PC Bridle suggested phoning the police when it is happening, to allow them to look into the matter.

Since there were no further questions, **Tony** thanked the two officers for attending and they left the meeting.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 16 JANUARY 2017

Acceptance was proposed by **Bobby Beggs** and seconded by **Brian Craven**.

MATTERS ARISING

- Gate Padlock Cairniedrouth Farm:** **Tony** said that the matter is still the subject of a legal action and cannot be discussed at the meeting.
- Co-op Development:** **Tony** said that he has been told that the Co-op are awaiting the return of contracts relating to the development. They will then give these tenders their consideration.
- Street Lighting:** **Tony** said that a number of lamps have been replaced. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will continue to chase up lamp replacement in Church Avenue.
- Housing at Darlieth Rd.:** **Tony** said that the application from **Avant Homes** had been approved but that 17 conditions have been placed on the approval. Most of these relate to the use of Darlieth Road as an access to the development. We must await the applicants response to these conditions. **Tony** thanked **Gordon Hendry** and **Duncan Stirling** for assisting him in presenting the **Community Council's** submission at the public meeting on the application.
- Housing at "The Paddock":** The application has yet to be considered by the Council.
- Scotrail Notice Board:** **Tony** said that **Scotrail** have not been in touch, regarding a notice board in the ticket office. However, the owner of the **Post Office** has agreed that the Community Council can use his notice board, near the bus stop.
- Rubbish Collection:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said a revised letter on bin collection times has been issued. **Tony** said that the information is available on the Council web site.
- Street Lighting Ferry Road:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he has not yet had a reply to his query. He said he will continue to pursue the matter.
- Gritting on Kirkton Road:** **Mike** said that Kirkton Road was gritted on 4 January 2017 but has not been gritted since. He asked if there had been a response to the CCC letter on the matter. **Tony** said that we will follow up the query.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said that there was one letter from **Argyll and Bute Council** relating to waiting restrictions at the lay-bye near Scott Gardens. The Traffic Order will be advertised in the Helensburgh Advertiser week ending 27 January 2017.

Patrick said that he had received a letter from **Argyll and Bute** warning of **fly grazing** in the area. A horse owner has been taking his horses to fields and grazing them without the permission of the land owner.

PLANNING

Bobby said there are 3 applications.

1. Housing development at "The Knock", Brooks Road, Cardross.
2. Alteration and extension to dwelling house. 45 Bainfield Road.
3. Erection of extension, Muirend Road.

All are Householder Developments.

HEALTH

Patrick said that health matters are causing a great deal of concern to the **Lomond Patients Group**, following an article in **The Times** on 14 January 2017. **Andrew Robertson** (the recently retired chairman of the **Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board**). In the article, he was fairly rude about the First Minister and extremely rude about the **Vale of Leven Hospital**. He thought that it should be closed. **The Lomond Patients Group** responded to **the Times** and also wrote to **John Brown**, the new chairman of the **Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board**, pointing out that **the Vale** service is running well. However, **Patrick** said that the **GP Out of Hours** service, which has been very effective, was shut for a significant period of time, last Sunday. It was also shut yesterday for a significant period of time and people were being sent across to Paisley.

Patrick said that he is concerned that the Health Board's actions are damaging the **Out of Hours Service at the Vale**.

Patrick proposed that the **Community Council** write to the **Chair of Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board** stating that it is unacceptable to have the Out of Hours Service shutting.

It was agreed that a copy of the letter be sent to **Shona Robison, the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport** and to **the Chair of NHS Highland**.

AOCB

Geilston Hall: **Patrick** said that the recent Burns Supper was a great success and raised about £900 for the Hall funds. Three new central heating boilers have been installed and paid for from the funds. There is a proposal for an **"Argyll Mackintosh Heritage Trail"**. The Hall would be on the trail, since it can be proven that Mackintosh was the draughtsman for the hall in 1889. **Patrick** said that the Hall now has **Wi-fi**.

Newsletter: **Tony** asked if members wanted to distribute the newsletter from a number of places around the village. Members agreed with this suggestion.

AGM: **Tony** said that the AGM will be held on 24 April 2017 at 7.30pm in the Geilston Hall.

Web Site: **Brian** said that the Community Council Minutes are now available on the web on a more regular basis.

Beach Clean: **Bob** said that the beach clean will be held on 8 April 2017.

Potholes Kirkton Road: **Mike** said that there are a couple of large potholes near the school. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will take the matter up with Roads.

Hedges Church Ave.: **Mike** said that there are a number of hedges encroaching on the footway. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will take the matter up with Amenities.

Dog Fouling: **Patrick** said that the problem has worsened in the last month. **Station Road** near the church and **Church Avenue** near the tennis club, are particularly bad.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Steps at Muirend Rd: **John Major** said that there are holes opening up on the surfacing areas of the steps. **Councillor Morton** said that the steps have not been adopted by Argyll and Bute Council and are not maintained by it.

Flower Beds: **John Major** said that the flower bed at the paper shop is in an awful state. A plaque showing walks and describing bits of the village history sits in the middle of this planted eye sore. **John** asked if the area could be tidied. **Tony** said that he will take the matter up with Amenities.

Bottle Bank: **Gina Macdonald** said that rubbish is constantly being dumped in the area. She said that when she complains to the Council, the rubbish is removed. Within a short time, more rubbish appears. **Councillor Morton** said that, sadly, anti social behaviour is increasing. **Councillor Morton** said that she will take the matter up with Amenities.

Train Horns: **Gina Macdonald** said that the level of noise is driving her mad. **Bob** said that she is not alone. **Bob** discussed the problem with **Jackie Bailie MSP**. **Bob** said that trials are being carried out on a system that gives an audible signal at a "local" level. Unfortunately, trials won't start for 2 years.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 20 March at 8.00pm** in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 20 March 2017

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

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PRESENT

Tony Davey (Convener), Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Jo Cameron, Mike Crowe, Bobby Beggs, Eric Duncan, Jim Hollywood, Bob Murray, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Richard Trail, Danielle Lapin (Helensburgh Advertiser) and 15 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), and Barrie Morton and Councillor Ellen Morton.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

Tony said there is one report listed as follows:-

| Date | Location | Crime | Person charged / arrested |
|----------|-----------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 10/03/17 | Main Road | Fraudulent schemes | Enquiries Continue. |

Tony said that the Police will continue to patrol the area. Anyone with concerns should phone **Police Scotland** 101.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 20 FEBRUARY 2017

On page 4, the name **Gina** should be amended to **Sheena** on line 1 and line 5.

Acceptance was proposed by Patrick Trust and seconded by **Bob Murray**.

MATTERS ARISING

Gate Padlock Cairniedrouth Farm: Tony said that the matter is still the subject of a legal action and cannot be discussed at the meeting.

Co-op Development: Tony said there has not been any correspondence from the Developer.

- Street Lighting:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the lamps on Church Avenue are now operational.
- Housing at Darlieth Rd.:** **Tony** said that the application from **Avant Homes** had been approved but that 17 conditions have been placed on the approval. Most of these relate to the use of Darlieth Road as an access to the development. We must await the applicants response to these conditions.
- Housing at "The Paddock":** The application has yet to be considered by the Council.
- Scotrail Notice Board:** **Tony** said that **Scotrail** have not been in touch, regarding a notice board in the ticket office. However, the owner of the **Post Office** has agreed that the Community Council can use his notice board, near the bus stop.
- Rubbish Collection:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said a revised letter on bin collection times has been issued. **Tony** said that the information is available on the Council web site.
- Gritting on Kirkton Road:** **Tony** said that proposals should be included in the next "Gritting Programme".
- Newsletter:** **Tony** said that the Newsletter should be ready for distribution later in the week.
- Beach Clean:** **Bob** said that the beach clean will be held on 8 April 2017.
- Potholes Kirkton Road:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said continue to persue the matter.
- Hedges Church Ave.:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that hedges are the responsibility of the householders.
- Steps at Muirend Rd:** **Tony** said that the Council is continuing to investigate the matter.
- Flower Beds:** **Tony** said that an e-mail from **Councillor Morton** indicated that money will become available to allow Community Councils to carry out work on flowers beds etc.
- Local Elections:** **Tony** said that the elections take place on 4 May 2017. The closing date for candidates is 29 April 2017.

CORRESPONDENCE

Tony said that he had received a letter from **Argyll and Bute Council** saying that dates for the Community Council Elections will be decide after the local elections on 4 May 2017.

PLANNING

Bobby said there is one application.

1. Alterations and a change of use of a dwelling house to a conference and events facility. at Leabank, Ardoch.

HEALTH

Patrick said that the **Lomond Patients Group**, had received a reply from **Paul Gray** who is the Director – General Health and Social Care and Chief Executive of NHS Scotland. **Patrick** said that he was pleased with the content of the reply. Retention of the Vale of Leven Hospital is implied in the reply.

Patrick said that he had received a letter from **John Brown – Chairman of Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board**. **Patrick** said that, based on the content of the letter, we should watch what is going on with the integrated Joint Boards.

AOCB

AGM: **Tony** said that the AGM will be held on 24 April 2017 at 7.30pm in the Geilston Hall. At the meeting, he will deliver the proposed dates for future meetings from May 2017 until April 2018. All meetings are held at 20:00 apart from the AGM which is at 19.30. The dates for the meetings in the Geilston Hall are:-
2017 - 15 May, 19 June, 21 August, 18 September, 16 October, 20 November.
2018 – 15 January, 19 February, 19 March, 16 April (AGM).

Street Signs: **Mike** asked if there had been any progress on replacing signs around Cardross. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he had passed a list of signs for replacement onto Roads. It could be more than three months before the signs are ready.

Surfacing on Lea Brae: **Mike** said that the new surfacing had stopped short of the kerb-line by approximately 25 mm. **Mike** said that he would contact **Gerry O’Hare** and find he reason for this.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Pedestrian Lights:- **Morag** said that one of the lights has failed. **Tony** said that the fault has been reported.

Commemorative Stone: **George Murphy** said that he had read in the Helensburgh Advertiser that a stone is being laid in Helensburgh. **Tony** said that a stone will be laid in Cardross to commemorate **Colonel Graham**. He was born and resided in Cardross. The stone will be laid on 22 April.

A.J. Cronin: **Councillor Trail** asked if there was any commemoration of Cronin’s connection with Cardross. **A.J. Cronin** is credited with being the inspiration behind the NHS. The meeting agreed that the matter should be investigated.

Footway from Crematorium to Cardross: **William Cullen** said that he is concerned at the state of the pavement between the Crematorium and Cardross. It is not possible to push a wheelchair on the footway. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will pursue the matter.

Cycle Track: **William Cullen** pointed out that constructing the cycle track could go a long way in solving the problem raised in the previous question. **Mr. Cullen** said that as a landowner, the last time the Council contacted him, was December 2015. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the project is being handled by a different council officer and he will get an update.

Dog Fouling: **Marion Adams** said that she had read recently of a village where the residents organised places to hang “Poo Bags.” Dog walkers had less excuse for not cleaning up after their dogs. The project seems to have been successful. **Marion** asked if a similar scheme could be tried out in Cardross. **Councillor Trail** said that he will contact “Amenities” and discuss the possibility of such a scheme.

Proposals at Leabank Ardoch: **Judy Wilson** asked if had a view on the proposals. **Tony** said that the application is very recent and no view has been formed as yet. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that anyone with any concerns should make sure that they register these concerns with the Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Annual General Meeting – Monday 24 April at 7.30pm in the Geilston Hall.
Community Council Meeting – Monday 15 May 2017 at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 15 May 2017

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

The 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

Tony Davey (Convener), Jo Cameron, Bobby Beggs, Eric Duncan, Jim Hollywood, Councillor Ellen Morton, Councillor Richard Trail, and 11 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Mike Crowe, Barrie Morton, Bob Murray, Councillor David Kinniburgh,

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

Tony said there is **one** report listed as follows:-

| Date | Location | Crime | Person charged / arrested |
|-------------|-----------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 14/05/17 | Darleith Road | Breach of the Peace, Resisting arrest and Culpable and Reckless Conduct. | 1 person arrested. |

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 20 MARCH 2017

Acceptance was proposed by **Jim Hollywood** and seconded by **Jo Cameron**.

MATTERS ARISING

Gate Padlock Cairniedrouth: Tony said that the matter is still the subject of a legal action and cannot be discussed at the meeting.

Co-op Development: Tony said the Co-op are aiming for an opening date of 25 October 2017.

Housing at "The Paddock": A date has yet to be set for a public hearing on the application.

Potholes Kirkton Road: In **Councillor Kinniburgh's** absence **Councillor Trail** said that there is no information as yet.

Local Elections: **Tony** said that the elections take place on 4 May 2017. The closing date for candidates is 29 April 2017.

Planning Application For Leabank: **Tony** said Roads have lodged six conditions that should be met before the application is granted.

A.J. Cronin and Cardross: It was agreed that Tony and Councillor **Trail** should discuss the matter after the meeting.

Footway from Crematorium to Cardross: **Councillor Trail** said that construction of the cycle track would go some way to solving the problem.

Cycle Track: **Councillor Morton** said it was her understanding that Council Officers will be attending the June meeting of the Community Council to discuss proposals. **Councillor Morton** said that she had seen evidence where Council Officers have contacted Agents acting on behalf of landowners and the Agents have failed to reply. While the Council would prefer an agreed settlement on land acquisition, Compulsory Purchase of the land required for the Cycle Track may be the only option. **Tony** said that no one has made contact but their attendance at the meeting would be appreciated. **Tony** asked if any proposals could be made available for perusal before the meeting started. **Councillor Morton** said that she would try to arrange this with officers.

CORRESPONDENCE

Tony said there was no correspondence.

PLANNING

Bobby said there are no applications this month.

HEALTH

Tony said that the **Lomond Patients Group** are in touch with **Paul Gray** who is the **Director – General Health and Social Care and Chief Executive of NHS Scotland, NHS Highland and Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board** regarding the lack of GP Services at the Vale of Leven Hospital over the weekend.

AOCB

Post Election Council: **Tony** said that on Thursday, the newly elected Councillors will agree the form of the new Council. **Item 10** on the **Agenda** for the meeting relates to the establishment of **Community Councils**. We await the details with interest.

A814 Flooding at Red Rd.: **Jim** said that there is still flooding on the A814 at the junction with Red Road. **Tony** said that he will discuss the issue with the officer from the Roads department at their next meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Speeding at Sawmill: **Neil McKinnon** said that vehicles are speeding as they enter the Sawmill. **Tony** said that he will refer the matter to the Police and the Roads Department.

Cardross to Ardoch: **Brian Watts** and **Fiona Davis** said that the footway between Ardoch and Dumbarton is too narrow. Between Cardross and Ardoch the walls and footway are in a poor state of repair. **Tony** said he would refer the matter to the Roads department.

Ardoch Lay- By: **Brian Watts** said there is a lack of signage at the lay-by. **Tony** said that he will refer the matter to Roads.

Speeding in Cardross: **Jo** expressed her lack of confidence in the policing of speeding through the village. She shared this concern with **Jim Taylor** (a neighbour who is an ex police officer). **Tony** said he will refer the matter to the police.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Community Council Meeting – Monday 19 June at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 19 June 2017

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

The 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

Tony Davey (Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Jo Cameron, Mike Crowe, Bobby Beggs, Eric Duncan, Barrie Morton, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Ellen Morton, Councillor Richard Trail, Callum Robertson (Roads Operations Manager - Argyll and Bute Council), Colin Young (ABC), Danielle Lappin (Helensburgh Advertiser) and 19 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Jim Hollywood, Bob Murray, Michael Wilson and Rev. Maggie McArthur.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

Tony said there is no report for last month.

CARDROSS CYCLEWAY

Callum Robertson said that the reason for the “drop in” exhibition this afternoon and the presentation tonight, is to demonstrate to the local community, the extent of Argyll and Bute Council’s efforts so far, in designing and delivering the cycleway from Cardross to Helensburgh. A number of alternative routes through Cardross, from the station to Geilston Gardens at the A814, were shown on the drawings prepared for the meeting. **Callum** said that the Council has been in touch with the **Cardross Trust** who have agreed that the cycleway can pass through the small park north of the railway. The Council’s preferred route would go west of the park and follow the railway line to Murrays Crossing. The existing private road would then be utilised to the A814. “Mini passing places” for bicycles could be introduced on parts of the private road.

John Major asked what the time scale is, for these proposals. **Callum** said that, depending on the availability of funding, the section through the village could be completed in between 1 to 4 months. If agreement can be reached on acquisition and/or access to the required land, work could be carried out this financial year.

Ken Reidman asked if there is a budget to maintain the proposed cycleway. **Callum** said that the Roads Maintenance Budget would be used for maintaining the cycleway. However, this budget is under constant pressure.

Michael said that he thought the Capital Funding for the cycleway had been “ring fenced.” **Callum** said that the “ring fenced” money has been used up.

George Kerr said that the recently built section of cycleway near the station is not being maintained. **Callum** agreed but reiterated the pressures on the **Maintenance** Budget.

Marion Adams asked if **Church Avenue** had been considered as a possible route. **Callum** said that the problem with this option is that it directs cyclists to a bottle neck on the A814 at the Muirholm Hotel.

Eric asked if a route north from the railway in the park, straight to Church Avenue, had been considered.

Brian said that there are often a lot of cars parked near the bowling green. **Callum** said that he understood that the **Cardross Trust** were reluctant to use this route. The Trust have agreed to a route on the south side of the park.

Alasdair MacCuish asked if there were statistics showing numbers using the cycleway from Arden Roundabout on the A82 to Helensburgh. **Callum** said that he was unaware of the existence of such statistics. **Calum** pointed out that there is a bigger picture and the Arden to Helensburgh path is part of a National Network of cycleways. A cycleway from Cardross to Helensburgh would add to this National Network.

Councillor David Kinniburgh said that cycleways are also used by walkers, runners, dog walkers and families at Weekends.

Hamish Hosie said that as a member of the **Cardross Trust**, he could not recall the **Trust** objecting to any of the proposed routes within the football pitch and the park. **Councillor Ellen Morton** said that she had attended a number of meetings relating to the cycleway and the **Cardross Trust** has only ever been supportive of the project.

As there were no further questions, **Tony** thanked **Callum** and **Colin** for their presentation and the two council officers left the meeting.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 15 MAY 2017

Acceptance was proposed by **Bobby Beggs** and seconded by **Brian Craven**.

MATTERS ARISING

Gate Padlock Cairniedrouth: **Tony** said that the matter is still the subject of a legal action and cannot be discussed at the meeting.

Housing at "The Paddock": **Tony** said that a public meeting on the application will take place in the Geilston Hall on 28 June.

Potholes Kirkton Road: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that some potholes have been repaired but others have yet to be done.

Planning Application For Leabank: **Tony** said the Community Council has submitted a letter of concern.

A.J. Cronin and Cardross: **Tony** said the he and Councillor **Trail** have had discussions and these will continue.

Footway from Crematorium to Cardross: **Tony** said it is hoped that the problem will be solved by the construction of the cycleway. He suggested revisiting the matter in 6 months time.

Community Council Elections: **Tony** said that the elections are scheduled for October.

A814 Flooding at Red Rd.: **Tony** said that the drainage in the area has been cleaned out.

Speeding at Sawmill: **Tony** said that the road is private and is the responsibility of the adjacent landowners. An officer in the Roads Department said that he will bring the matter up at the next Road Hauliers Meeting.

Ardoch Lay- By: **Tony** said that the lay-by is unofficial and Roads cannot sign post it.

Speeding in Cardross: **Councillor Ellen Morton** said that the Police had reported no evidence of excessive speed for vehicles travelling through **Cardross**.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said that he had received a copy of the Planning and Regulatory Services Handbook for Argyll and Bute Council. **Duncan** passed it on to **Bobby Beggs**.

PLANNING

Bobby said there are 4 applications this month.

1. Alterations and extension to a dwelling house at 19 Barrs Road.
2. Proposed crowning and thinning of Leylandii trees at 2 Ardenmhor, Main Road.
3. Proposed felling of an Elder tree and an Ash tree at 3 Cedar Grove.
4. Various signs to be affixed to a building at Muirholm Hotel.

HEALTH

Tony said that the **Lomond Patients Group** are in touch with **the Director of General Health and Social Care and Chief Executive of NHS Scotland, NHS Highland and Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board** regarding the lack of GP Services at the Vale of Leven Hospital over the weekend. The reduction in mental health facilities is also of great concern.

AOCB

Roadworks: **Tony** said that **SGN** will sink two boreholes. One will be in the road near the golf club. The second will be on the road near the Geilston Hall. The roadworks will start on Monday 1 July and each operation should last for up to 3 days.

Potholes at Carman Road: **Mike** said that there are potholes near the junction with A814. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will pass the matter to Roads.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

SGN in Layby: **George Murphy** said that there had been vehicles parked at the Dumbarton side of the A814 for some time. **Tony** said that this was related to the works that SGN will be carrying out from 1 July.

Speeding On A814: **George Murphy** said that it is not so much speeding as careless driving that accounts for a number of the accidents in the village. **George** said that he had reported a lamp standard being hit near Marlee. Two adjacent standards have now been hit by vehicles mounting the footway. **George** said that he has witness dangerous overtaking in the area on a number of occasions. He said that such incidents should be monitored at a national level. **Tony** said he will bring the matter up when he next meets the police.

Noise from Main Hall: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he is having great difficulty hearing what people are saying tonight because of the level of noise coming from the main hall. **Tony** said that he will discuss the matter the hall management team.

- 20 Plenty Signs:** **Marion Adams** said that a number of the signs on the road surface are fading badly. It's particularly bad on Muirend Road. **Councillor Trail** said that he will take the matter up with Roads.
- Noise from Sawmill:** **Duncan** said that he is still receiving complaints from members of the community about the level of noise coming from the sawmill. Noise levels seem to be getting worse. Complainants are being told by officers that there are few complaints and yet as a community councillor, **Duncan** is still receiving complaints. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will get an update on the issue.
- Complaining to the Council:** **Councillor Morton** said that a new complaints system has been put in place. Complaints should be made to local councillors. **Complainants** should also ask that **the complaint be passed to the appropriate officer**. This should help to monitor complaints more efficiently.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Community Council Meeting – Monday 21 August at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 21 August 2017

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

The 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. **Tony** said that the Agenda had been amended to include a short presentation by **Allison Hillis** from "**Friends of Geilston**".

PRESENT

Tony Davey (Convener), Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Jo Cameron, Mike Crowe, Bobby Beggs, Eric Duncan, Barrie Morton, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Ellen Morton, Councillor Richard Trail, Allison Hillis (Friends of Geilston), and 21 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Brian Craven (Treasurer), Jim Hollywood, Bob Murray and Rev. Maggie McArthur.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

FRIENDS OF GEILSTON

Allison said that the group "Friends of Geilston" had been formed very recently. A group of volunteers and staff were invited to a "briefing" on 27 June 2017 with **Keith Halstead of The National Trust for Scotland**. At the briefing, they were given the following facts:-

1. Geilston House will NEVER open to the public.
2. The furniture from the house is presently in storage. Some of it will be sold, some given away and some given to charity.
3. No decision has yet been made as to the future of Geilston. **Mr. Halstead (Project Manager)** will be giving his recommendations to the Board by the end of October 2017.

The volunteers and staff were shocked by this announcement and it was at this point that **The Friends of Geilston** group was formed. **The Group** believe that the **National Trust for Scotland** has grossly mismanaged the care of **Geilston House**. It has been lying empty for more than 20 years and it is no wonder that it is in a bad state. It is now in such a bad state, that it is a threat to the garden and the rest of the estate. **Allison** said that the Trust's solution to this problem appears to be, that they would like to do some enabling development, at the expense of the garden, particularly the kitchen garden. The kitchen garden is considered to be an "expensive" and "un-required" part of the garden. **Allison** said that this will compound the mistake that the Trust has already made. They seem to be unaware of the high regard that members hold for this precious gem of a garden. The volunteers and staff said that they do NOT want the garden split up and sold off in bits. The "Friends" have discovered certain facts over the last 6 weeks.

1. Miss Hendry wrote a will in 1983. To the Trust, she left the house, the garden, the estate and almost £1 000 000, to secure the future of the house and gardens. The will was unrestricted but the Trust were well aware of Miss Hendry's wishes.

2. **The National Trust's** Conservation Management Plan 2005-2010 said "The trust must accomplish its' aims, bearing in mind the donor's wishes, which though not formally or legally expressed as conditions of the gift, as a result of Miss Hendy's untimely death, are known to the Trust. These were to preserve the property, especially the gardens, to the high standard set out by the Hendrys, and to preserve the integrity of the house and collections, retaining the latter in Geilston. There was also an expectation that, certainly the gardens and preferably, the house, be open to the public.

Allison said that the intention in the document is clear for the period 2005 until 2010. Something has happened since then and is a cause for great concern. The Trust says that Geilston costs £112 000 a year to run and the total income is £27 000. This leaves a deficit of £85,000 per year, which is untenable. Included in this expense is the cost of storage for the furniture which is £10 000 per year. When the "Friends" enquired about the furniture they were told that a lot of the carpets have moths in them and have no value. A lot of the furniture has been infected by woodworm.

The Gardens attract about 11 500 people during the 7 months of the year that they are open. Only 800 of these visitors pay to get into the garden, the rest are members. None of the members fees are credited to Geilston as income. It seems unfair that the benefit of the Gardens to members has not been included in the Trusts calculations.

Allison said that the Trust had a dedicated fund of £2 580 000 for Geilston Gardens in their accounts.

In the **2017 Accounts** this money has been taken from the **Geilston Gardens Fund** and moved to the **General Income Fund**. **Allison** said that the "Friends" are keen to **work with** the Trust and **together** achieve something imaginative with Geilston. The Trust will not give a guarantee that the Gardens will re-open next year after they close in October.

Allison said that the situation is urgent. The "Friends" are producing a document that will be sent to all of the executives and trustees of the National Trust for Scotland together with politicians and Argyll and Bute Council.

Allison said that she will send a copy of the report to the Community Council. It was also suggested that supporters of Geilston should write to the CEO, telling him how much Geilston is loved within the community.

Tony said that the Community Council is aware of the local feeling for Geilston Gardens and will write to the National Trust for Scotland expressing the Communities concerns.

Councillor Ellen Morton said that the "Friends" should be wary of alienating the **Trust** by giving ultimatums and should try to get into discussion with the Trust. **Allison** said that part of the problem, is that the Trust do not seem prepared to enter into a discussion. **Tony** thanked **Allison** for her presentation.

POLICE REPORT

Tony said **Inspector Wylie** has gone from Helensburgh and we now have **Inspector Webb**. There are 7 reports listed as follows:-

| Date | Location | Crime | Person charged / arrested |
|-------------|----------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 26/06/17 | Cardross | Possession with intent to supply controlled drugs | 1 male arrested |
| 02/07/17 | Church | Vandalised windows | No suspects at this time |
| 03/07/17 | Cardross | Dangerous driving | 1 male charged |
| 04/07/17 | Cardross | Housebreaking | 1 male arrested |
| 14/07/17 | Nursery at Reay Ave. | Vandalism | No suspects at this time |
| 17/07/17 | Cardross | Police assault | 1 male arrested |
| 25/07/17 | Cardross | Driving with no insurance | 1 person charged |

Inspector Webb hopes to attend our meeting in October.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 19 JUNE 2017

Acceptance was proposed by **Barrie Morton** and seconded by **Mike Crowe**.

MATTERS ARISING

- Cycle Track:** **Tony** said that at the presentation by **Callum Robertson** the results of the public survey on the preferred routes through the village, were to be sent in time for this meeting. We still await these results.
- Gate Padlock Cairniedrouth:** **Tony** said that the matter is still the subject of a legal action and cannot be discussed at the meeting.
- Potholes Kirkton Road:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he is awaiting a repair programme for the potholes.
- Planning Application For Leabank:** **Tony** said the application has been approved by Argyll and Bute Council.
- A.J. Cronin and Cardross:** **Tony** said the he and **Councillor Trail** will continue their discussions.
- Footway from Crematorium to Cardross:** **Tony** said this is linked to the cycleway programme.
- Community Council Elections:** **Tony** said that the elections have now been scheduled for March or April 2018.
- Speeding On A814:** **Tony** said that that he has addressed this matter with **Chief Inspector Robertson** and **Inspector Webb**. We await their response.
- Noise from Main Hall:** **Tony** said that it is quiet this evening. **Patrick** said that the ladies who use the hall had cancelled for this evening. They are bitterly disappointed that they have had to take this action.
- Noise from Sawmill:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said the matter is still being investigated. Argyll and Bute Council are to carry out further tests at an adjacent property.

CORRESPONDENCE

Tony said that he had received a letter from the Secretary of the Geilston Hall Management Committee. It asked if the Community Council will extend their lease for a further 25 years. It was agreed by council members that the lease should be extended by 25 years.

Tony said that he had received a letter from **Jackie Bailie** saying that **Humza Yousaf**, the Transport Minister has offered to meet with local constituents who have raised the matter. **Bob Murray** and **Ian Fleming** have also been invited.

Tony had received a letter from **Network Rail** saying that maintenance work will be carried out from 23:00 until 07:00 on 8 dates through August, September and October.

Tony received a letter from the Crystal Trust's developer saying that no work would be done on the site near Shira Lodge before 2018.

PLANNING

Bobby said there are 2 household applications and 1 tree felling application this month.

HEALTH

Patrick said he has reluctantly agreed to join the **Helensburgh and Lomond Community Engagement Group** to discuss health. Responsibility for Health is passing to a new integrated Board. Funding sounds quite tricky. **The Lomond Patients Group** agreed to write to the two locality managers of the health and social care partnerships in **West Dunbartonshire** and **Helensburgh and Lomond**. **Patrick** said the community engagement people have been made very much aware that the community councils are very much concerned about health and what is going to happen.

AOCB

Potholes in out Footways: **Jo** said that the pavements around Cardross are in a terrible state. **Tony** said that when **SGN** carried the roadworks through the village, the Council promised that the footway between Scott Gardens and the Hairdressers would be resurfaced. **Tony** said that a lot of footways in Helensburgh are being resurfaced. He asked that Cardross be treated similarly. **Councillor Trail** said that he will look into the matter.

Potholes at Carman Road: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that some of the carriageway is being resurfaced.

Scott Gardens: **Tony** said that two house have become available for occupancy. There are conditions for occupancy. First choice is given to a resident of Cardross. Second choice is to someone with a connection to Cardross and the third choice is anyone from anywhere in Argyll and Bute. **Tony** suggested that anyone in need of social housing, should contact Dunbritton Housing Association.

Remembrance Day Poppies: **Tony** asked if the formal application for Remembrance Day should be submitted to **A & B Council**. Community Council members agreed unanimously that this should be done.

Footway from Cardross to Dumbarton: **Brian Watts** said that around **Ardoch** visibility on footways is blocked out by overgrown vegetation. He felt that it is a safety issue for anyone on the footways and is a particular danger to children. **Councillor Kinniburgh** agreed to look into the matter.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Community Council Meeting – Monday 18 September at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2017

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

The 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

Tony Davey (Convener), Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Mike Crowe, Bobby Beggs, Eric Duncan, Barrie Morton, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Richard Trail and 15 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Jo Cameron, Jim Hollywood, Councillor Ellen Morton, Michael Wilson, and Rev. Maggie McArthur.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

Tony said there was no police report.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 21 AUGUST 2017

Acceptance was proposed by **Patrick Trust** and seconded by **Mike Crowe**.

MATTERS ARISING

Friends of Geilston: **Tony** said that we had a presentation from the "Friends of Geilston". A letter expressing the concerns of the community was sent by the Community Council, to the National Trust for Scotland.

Cycle Track: **Tony** said there is an item on the agenda for the Area Committee meeting this Thursday. It is hoped that we will know more after this meeting.

Potholes Kirkton Road: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the potholes have now been scheduled for repair.

Community Council Elections: **Tony** said that the elections have now been scheduled for 26 April 2018.

Speeding **Councillor Trail** said he was told by **Inspector Webb** that it is difficult for the police to do much

- On A814:** about speeding unless it is far in excess of the speed limit. They will continue to monitor the situation.
- Noise from Main Hall:** **Patrick** said that the matter of the ladies exercising in the other hall when the Community Council meeting is taking place, has not yet been resolved.
- Noise from Sawmill:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said the matter is in the hands of Environmental Health. The situation is being monitored. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will provide updates as and when he gets them.

CORRESPONDENCE

Bob said that he had a meeting with **Jackie Bailie** and **Humza Yousaf**, the Transport Minister. **Ian Fleming**, who was also at the meeting, said that there is a system available which gives local warnings at crossings and would reduce the widespread noise. There were no commitments given at the meeting. **Jackie** is confident that a solution can be found.

Bob said that he raised the matter of "station skipping" by **Scotrail**. **Jackie** said that if skipping had to take place, then Craigendorn and Dalreoch could be "skipped" since they have nearby alternatives. Cardross should not be included in the "skipping". **Tony** advised that we "watch this space." There was no further correspondence.

PLANNING

Bobby said there was 1 household application this month.

HEALTH

Patrick said there was a report in the local press about the out of hours service at the Vale. What is slightly more concerning is the people from Clydebanks are complaining that they do not have access to minor injuries treatment. They have not been informed that treatment is available at the Vale. **Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board** say that they are devolving the responsibility for local primary care to **Health and Social Care Partnerships** and will no longer be responsible for it. We are well aware that the Health and Social Care Partnerships have inadequate budgets. We must be vigilant as to the treatment of these partnerships by both **Greater Glasgow and Highland Health Boards**.

AOCB

- Remembrance Sunday:** **Tony** said that he is looking for two stewards and a first aider for the event.
- Beach Clean:** **Bob** said the Spring Beach Clean was well down on previous collections. It was decided that no formal clean is necessary this month.
- Councillor Meet The Community:** **Tony** said that he had received a letter from the **Area Governance Manager** in the Council, advising that the **Area Committee** wanted to have a "Councillor Meet the Community". It was agreed that Cardross Community Council would like to be involved in the process.
- Geilston Hall:** **Patrick** said that there is a book out from **Historic Scotland** on Scotland's Drill Halls. The **Management Committee** of Geilston Hall is hoping to take part, next year, in the 150th anniversary of Mackintosh's birth. The proposal for an Argyll Mackintosh Trail incorporating Hill House, the Union Hall in Sinclair Street and Geilston Hall, on October next year, when there will be special celebrations, has met with approval. It is hoped that there will be a commemoration of the end of the Great War, in the Geilston Hall, next year.

Litter at Pumping Station: **Marion Adams** asked if litter bins could be put down by the Pumping Station. The area is littered with Costa Coffee cups and McDonalds food cartons. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will take the matter up with Amenity Services.

Gardens at Paper Shop: **Sheena McDonald** asked if there had been any progress on proposals to smarten up this "jungle". **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will take the matter up with Amenity Services.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Community Council Meeting – Monday 16 October at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 16 OCTOBER 2017

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

The 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

Tony Davey (Convener), Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Eric Duncan, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Ellen Morton, Councillor Richard Trail, Sergeant Martin Miller (Police Scotland) and 8 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Mike Crowe, Bobby Beggs, Jo Cameron, Barrie Morton, Michael Wilson, and Rev. Maggie McArthur.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

Sergeant Miller said that since the last meeting there have been 10 crimes in the Cardross Area. 4 people have been charged to date. A breakdown of the crimes has been 2 vandalism, 2 breach of the peace, 3 road traffic offences, 1 theft of a pedal cycle, 1 theft of a motor vehicle and 1 attempted house breaking.

Based on feedback from locals, the Police will close the A814 at one end, within the Cardross boundary. This will be done on Monday to Thursday, between 4 o'clock and 6 o'clock in the morning. All vehicles leaving the area will be stopped and the drivers questioned in relation to house breaking in the area. So far, 4 people have been charged during this exercise. Speed checks are being carried out on a regular basis in the local villages. Since October, in Cardross, there have been 3 tickets issued for speeding and 15 warnings given. Most of the people involved were locals. These initiatives will be carried out on a continuing basis.

Ken Redman asked if anything could be done about the car parked on the pavement near the Pharmacy.

Sergeant Miller said look into the matter. **Marion Adams** said that on two recent occasions when using the pedestrian crossing near the Post Office, drivers have driven through a red light, while the "green man" was on.

Sergeant Miller said that it is difficult for the Police to act in such situations if they do not witness the event.

Tony said that he had a phone call from the manager of Clydeview Care Home, complaining about the cars parked on the footway on Carman Road, near the Care Home access. **Sergeant Miller** said that any such matters should be reported to the police.

Patrick said that there has been a camper van parked at Ardmore Point for about 18 days. He asked if anything can be done. **Sergeant Miller** said that any concerns should be reported to the police by phone on 101. He said that if the vehicle's documentation is in order and it is legally parked, then there is little that can be done.

Since there were no further questions, **Tony** thanked **Sergeant Miller** for his report and **Sergeant Miller** remained in the meeting.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2017

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

MATTERS ARISING

Potholes Kirkton Road: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the potholes are on a schedule for repair.

Cycle Track: **Tony** said that there was an item on the agenda for last month's Area Committee Meeting. Our local Councillors had asked Officers to provide details of progress at the next Area Meeting. **Duncan** asked if there was truth in the local rumour that the CPO had been cancelled due to the track width being amended. **Councillor Morton** said that **Sustrans** had asked for an increase in track width to allow for use by wheelchairs. It is hoped that the matter can be resolved by negotiation with the land owners.

Noise from Sawmill: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that acoustic screening work which was to have been carried out by September, will now be done in December.

Horn Noise from Trains: **Bob** said that there has been no further information since his meeting with the Minister for Transport.

Remembrance Sunday: **Tony** said that he has received official approval from the Council regarding the ceremony. **Councillors Kinniburgh** and **Morton** apologised because they will be unable to attend this year.

Councillor Meet The Community: **Tony** said that at the Area Meeting, it was his perception that the Councillors would come to the Communities. It appears that the Councillors will meet in Helensburgh and the "Communities" should go to meet with them. Councillors are keen to find the most effective way of meeting up with communities. The matter is still under discussion.

Litter at Pumping Station: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he has requested that a bin be placed in the area. We await the outcome of his request to Amenity Services.

Gardens at Paper Shop: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that since nothing has yet been done, he will contact Amenity Services.

Beach Clean: **Bob** said that no formal clean is necessary this month.

CORRESPONDENCE

Tony said that he had received a letter of resignation from **Jim Hollywood**.

Duncan said that he received an e mail from "Friends of Geilston". They are holding their inaugural meeting this Thursday in this hall at 7.30.

PLANNING

Tony said there are no contentious applications this month. The application mentioned last month for 5 holiday lodges near Westerhill, has received 5 objections. Roads officers have advised against the application due to poor road access to the lodges.

HEALTH

Patrick said there has been a u-turn on maternity services at the Vale. The midwife led unit is now recognised as maybe the way ahead. It is being funded as a pilot project as to how the future should be. **Patrick** said that he is optimistic about the GP out-of-hours service. **The Scottish Government** is keen on developing the idea of the advanced practitioners running the Vale at night and at weekends. It is interesting that GPs from Glasgow seem prepared to work at the Vale but will not work for the out-of-hours service being run by Greater Glasgow and Clyde. It is purely because of the way you are under-valued by Greater Glasgow and Clyde
Patrick said he is optimistic that we may get **Stobhill** and **the Victoria** to operate a Minor Injuries Unit in the same way as the Vale, which is open 24 hours.
 Anyone from Clydebank is free to use the minor injuries service at the Vale, which is open 24 hours.

AOCB

CCC Finances: **Brian** gave a half yearly report on finances. He said that on 1 April 2017, there was £624.00 in the Community Council's account. After receiving an allowance of £704.00 from Argyll and Bute Council and paying for rent of the Geilston Hall for a year and other outgoings, there is £711.00 in the account.

Local Plan: **Tony** said the Main Issues Report and the new Local Development Plan are being developed. He has requested copies of the documents from Argyll and Bute Council. Consultation ends on 11 December 2017.

Community Council Elections: **Tony** said that the Community Council has submitted a response to the proposed amendments to the Constitution. The Community Council had no objections to the proposed amendments.

Avant Houses: **Bob** said he had seen excavators working in the field today. **Tony** said that the machines had been transported to the field via Barrs Road and **NOT** Darleith Road, the agreed route. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will pursue the matter.

Community Action Planning: **Patrick** said that he had attended a half day course on the **Community Lead Action Planning Tool Kit**. He said that it might be useful for the development at the Geilston Hall. Anyone with ideas for the Community could find the kit useful and can borrow it from **Patrick**.

Ferry Road: **George Murphy** said that the lighting is inadequate. By 20:00 the area is pitch black. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will contact Amenity Services with a view to cutting any plant growth around the lights.

Peel Street: **George Murphy** said there were signs asking dog owners to be responsible. He asked if similar signs could be put in **Ferry Road**. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will pursue the matter.

Footway Cardross to Dumbarton: **Brian Watts** said that he has been complaining for some time about the state of the footpaths on the A814. Nothing has happened.

Bus stop at Ardoch: **Brian Watts** said that his partially blind neighbour cannot get across the road. Because of the vegetation, he cannot see round the bend. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he had been told that the vegetation would be dealt with but he will pursue the matter.

Minutes of Meetings: **Brian Watts** said that the last Minutes on the web site were for the June Meeting. **Duncan (Secretary)** said that he look into the matter.

Signs for Crematorium: **Morag ??????** said that she was recently stopped by someone looking for directions to the Crematorium. **Tony** said he is meeting the Amenity Services Manager to discuss the matter.

Road Signs: **Brian Watts** said that coming into Cardross from Dumbarton, there is a road sign that is obscured by vegetation. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will look into the problem.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Community Council Meeting – Monday 20 October at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2017

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

The 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.

Tony asked that members remain after the meeting to discuss Argyll and Bute Council's **Main Issues Report**.

PRESENT

Tony Davey (Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Bobby Beggs, Mike Crowe, Jo Cameron, Eric Duncan, Bob Murray, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Richard Trail, and 13 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Barrie Morton, Councillor Ellen Morton, Michael Wilson, and Rev. Maggie McArthur.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

Tony said that he had been given a report from the Inspector in Helensburgh, who has been in post for 7 weeks and is leaving the post next Monday. He will be replaced by Inspector Allan Kirk.

Since 12 October, there has been 1 report of housebreaking and 1 act of vandalism. The winter Christmas Safety Campaign will continue throughout the area with a variety of anti-crime patrols.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 16 OCTOBER 2017

The spelling of the name **Redman** was amended to **Readman**.

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

MATTERS ARISING

Potholes Kirkton Road: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the potholes are still on a schedule for repair.

Cycle Track: **Tony** said that there is an item on the agenda for the Area Committee Meeting on 21 December 2017. An officer will present an update on land acquisition and other issues.

- Noise from Sawmill:** **Tony** said that he is aware of some local concern over the last few weeks. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he had received an update from **Council Officer Mary Watt**. The results of noise assessments that were carried out have been shared with the sawmill. Some noise reducing work is due to be carried out within the Sawmill, by the end of the year.
- Litter at Pumping Station:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the Council cannot place a bin in this area since the land is privately owned.
- Gardens at Paper Shop:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he has not yet heard from. He will continue to pursue the matter.
- Local Plan:** **Tony** said the Main Issues Report and the new Local Development Plan are available on-line. **ped**. He suggested that members of the community scrutinise and comment on the Plan. A hard copy is available from the community council. The closing date for comments is 11 December 2017.
- Avant Houses:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that although exploratory work is being carried out on the site by archaeologists and others, no construction work can begin until **Avant** have submitted an application to the Planning Committee, demonstrating that they have satisfied the Council's requirements with regards to access etc.
- Ferry Road:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that Amenity Services have not yet replied to his query on the matter. He said he will chase this up.
- Peel Street:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that Amenity Services have not yet replied to his query. He said he will continue to pursue the matter.
- Bus stop at Ardoch:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said **Amenity Services** have not replied to his query about overgrown vegetation at the bus stop. He will continue to press them for an answer.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said that he a copy of a letter from **Lomond Patients Group** to **Beth Culshaw** of **West Dunbartonshire Health and Social Care Partnership** and **Linda Skrastin** of **Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership**. He read out the letter and said it is available for anyone in the community who wishes to read it.

Tony said that he had a letter asking for funding toward the Christmas Tree Festival in the village.

PLANNING

Bobby said there is one application for change of use from a hotel to a shop.

HEALTH

Tony said there were no matters to discuss.

NOISE FROM SAWMILL

Eric said that he has received complaints from a number of residents in Church Avenue about the increase in noise levels from the sawmill since it extended. He understood that monitoring of noise levels is being carried out at present. Noise monitoring is being carried out at Ardarden at present. **Eric** suggested that since the residents of Church Avenue are "down wind" of the noise, monitoring should also be carried out in this vicinity. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will raise this issue with the environmental health officer in the Council.

Eric asked if it would be possible for a delegation of interested villagers, to visit the sawmill and have the operation explained. **Tony** said that any member of the community is free to ask the sawmill to arrange such a visit.

Tony asked if the Council could force action on the sawmill operator.

Councillor Kinniburgh said that if the requirements of Environmental Health are not satisfied, the Council can issue an enforcement order.

Councillor Kinniburgh encouraged any member of the community affected by the noise to contact the Environmental Health Officer.

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Resilience Plan:

Tony said the Plan has to be reviewed by December 2017 to ensure that it is up to date.

Community Council Elections:

Tony said that the last meeting of this Community Council will be held on March 2018, when the accounts will be closed, ready for the period of election. Elections will be announced on 2 February 2018. Nominations for the new Community Council must be in by 22 March 2018. Declarations will be made on 26 April 2018. The AMG will **NOT** take place in April 2018. The new Community Council will be inaugurated around the second or third week in May 2018.

School Sign Barrs Terrace:

Mike said that the electrical box at the bottom of the sign is corroded and the electrical cables are exposed. **Councillor Trail** said that he will look into the matter.

Noise from Sawmill:

Gwen Irving (who lives on Church Avenue) said that she recently had a long conversation with the Environmental Health Officer. **Gwen** explained her concerns about the noise to the officer. **Gwen** said that the ebb and flow of noise makes it difficult to monitor. **Gwen** suggested that that monitoring should take place at her end of the village. The officer has agreed to monitor noise at the east end of the village in the near future. **Gwen** is concerned that monitoring for a 15 minute period will not give a true reflection of the effects of the noise. She is hoping for an extended exercise.

Gwen asked if there is any control on the times when work can be carried out on the site.

Operations have taken place from 7.00 in the morning until 8.00 in the evening.

Councillor Kinniburgh said that the planning conditions may set conditions on when the works can operate. He said that he will check this out.#

Avant Houses:

Julie Lang said that three operations have been carried out in the field over the summer. The first was related to drainage investigation, the second was proving rock levels and the third was an archaeological investigation. Neolithic artefacts have been found in the corner of the field near Barrs Road. This work is expected to continue until Christmas.

Train Connections:

George Murphy said that last Friday, whilst going to Perth, the 9.00 and 9.30 trains from Helensburgh were simply cancelled. **Bob** said that he had reports of "Station Skipping" last week. He said there seems little point in contacting **Scotrail** since there is little response. **Bob** suggested the best approach is to contact **Jackie Baillie MSP**. It was also agreed that Argyll and Bute Council's **representative** on Strathclyde Passenger Transport should be contacted.

Julie Lang said that **Scotrail's** on-line site is not kept up to date. Because of this, it is impossible to plan ahead for journeys involving trains.

No Waiting Sign on A814:

George Murphy said that the sign is now visible at the east end of the village. It is rusted and in need of painting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Community Council Meeting – Monday 15 January 2018 at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.