

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 15 JANUARY 2018

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), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Jo Cameron, Eric Duncan, Bob Murray, Councillor Richard Trail, and 13 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Bobby Beggs, Mike Crowe, Barrie Morton, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Ellen Morton, Michael Wilson, and Rev. Maggie McArthur.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

Tony said there were eight incidents as follows:-

Date	Location	Crime	Person charged / arrested
13/11/17	Braid Drive	Theft from vehicle	Enquiries continue.
22/11/17	Park Terrace	Various drug offences	1 male reported.
30/11/17	Geilston Park	Theft of ladder	Enquiries continue.
16/12/17	Station Road	Vandalism to vehicles	Enquiries continue.
17/12/17	Muirend Road	Taxi fraud	Enquiries continue.
29/12/17	Main Road (nr. Carman)	Traffic and drug offences	1 male arrested.
06/12/17	Cardross Inn	Building fire	Enquiries continue.
05/01/18	Cardross Hills	Lost walkers	Helicopter rescue.

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

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

MATTERS ARISING

Potholes Kirkton Road: **Councillor Kinniburgh** is in **Kilmory** and is unable to attend the meeting in Cardross. It is hoped that he will comment on this matter at the Community Council meeting in February.

Cycle Track: **Councillor Trail** said that the process for land acquisition continues.

Noise from Sawmill: **Councillor Kinniburgh** is in **Kilmory** and is unable to attend the meeting in Cardross. It is hoped that he will comment on this matter at the Community Council meeting in February.

Gardens at Paper Shop: **Councillor Kinniburgh** is in **Kilmory** and is unable to attend the meeting in Cardross. It is hoped that he will comment on this matter at the Community Council meeting in February.

Ferry Road: **Councillor Kinniburgh** is in **Kilmory** and is unable to attend the meeting in Cardross. It is hoped that he will comment on this matter at the Community Council meeting in February.

Peel Street: **Councillor Kinniburgh** is in **Kilmory** and is unable to attend the meeting in Cardross. It is hoped that he will comment on this matter at the Community Council meeting in February.

Bus stop at Ardoch: **Councillor Kinniburgh** is in **Kilmory** and is unable to attend the meeting in Cardross. It is hoped that he will comment on this matter at the Community Council meeting in February.

Resilience Plan: **Tony** said the updated Plan will be sent to the Head of Governance before the meeting in February.

School Sign Barrs Terrace: **Councillor Trail** said that he was unable to access the "Casebook system" this afternoon, to find out how the matter had progressed. He said he will pursue the issue.

Train Connections: **Bob** said that the station skipping problem is still continuing. Having personally experienced the problem recently, He said it is not possible to plan a journey from Cardross using the train. **Bob** wrote again to **Jackie Baillie MSP**. He asked that the contents of his email be passed to the appropriate authorities. **Bob** is awaiting a reply.
Tony said that Councillor Graham Hardrie (who is Argyll and Bute Council's representative on the Regional Transport Partnership), will raise the matter at their next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said he had no correspondence. **Tony** said that he had two documents. One is a revised Code of Conduct for Community Councillors. The second is the proposed time table for the Community Council Elections, subject to the new Constitution receiving its' final reading at Council.
On 5 March there will be notification of the election.
On 6 March nominations will open.
On 22 March nominations will close.
On 5 April the poll will be notified.
On 13 April postal votes will be issued.
On 26 April elections will be held if required.
On 1 May the count will be carried out.

PLANNING

Tony said there is one application for an amendment to the application for the two houses at Shira Lodge and accepted by the Council.

HEALTH

Patrick said that the letter from the **Lomond Patients Group** mentioned at the November 2017 meeting, had received a reply from **Jackie Bailie MSP** only. The spokespersons from **West Dumbarton** and **Argyll and Bute Social Care Partnerships** have not replied. The average waiting time at **The Vale A and E** is 2 hours. While breaks **are** dealt with at the Vale, there is no emergency surgery available. The **Lomond Patients Group** is trying to persuade the **Royal College of GPs** in Edinburgh, that the model of Primary Care and Secondary Care working together at the Vale of Leven Hospital would be suitable for Scotland. That is, Minor injuries and hospital beds being supported by GPs.

Patrick said that, in his view, a lot of the problems in Glasgow could be helped by adopting this model.

Patrick said that the new integrated social care and health boards are totally inadequately funded. Care in the Community is **not** a reality at the moment.

AOCB**Ecumenical Service:**

Tony said that an ecumenical service will be held Sunday 21 January with the Parish Church and St. Mayhews. A soup lunch will follow.

Parking at New Co-op:

Tony said that there have been complaints of parkers blocking driveways on Barrs Road. **Mike Crowe** monitored the situation over a few days and found no evidence of this problem.

Christmas Lights:

Tony asked if the lights on the tree in Scott Gardens could now be switched off. **Councillor Trail** said that he will look into the matter.

Scott Gardens:

Brian said that double yellow lines will be put on the road at the wide section at Scott Gardens.

Church Xmas Trees:

Brian said that the trees raised £811 or thereby.

PO Storage Box:

Bob said that there are the remains of a storage box on the footway at the junction of Kilmahew Avenue and Barrs Road. He considered it dangerous and a risk for any child running round the corner on the footway. **Councillor Trail** agreed to look into the matter.

St Peters:

Bob asked if anyone knew what was happening to the estate. **Tony** said that **NVA** are not responding to correspondence. **Bob** said a load of old tyres have been dumped within the grounds of the estate near the Carman Road. **Tony** said he will write to the archdiocese on the matter.

A814 Speeding Vehicles:

Jo said that living on the main road is extremely dangerous, for pedestrians and people in their gardens. She feels that the police are not taking the matter seriously enough. **Tony** said that He can arrange for **Jo** to have a word with **Inspector Kirk** on the issue. **Jo** agreed to this. **George Murphy** endorsed the comments made by **Jo**.

Burns Supper:

Patrick said that the Cardross Burns Supper will be held on 2 February at 7.30 in the Geilston Hall. Tickets are available from **Patrick, Alasdair McCuish** and **Barrie Morton**.

Lay- By at the Pharmacy:

Patrick asked if it is possible to return the lay-by to what it used to be. It was a lay-by for loading and unloading. He asked if parking could be banned between 9.00 am and 6.00 pm. **Tony** said that **Councillor Morton** was pursuing the issue about 18 months ago. It was agreed that the issue be discussed with the Councillor.

Noise from Sawmill: **Gwen Irving** said that the complaints to the Council do not seem to have been co-ordinated. To this end, she discussed the matter with 18 householders affected by the noise. They signed a letter of complaint which has been sent to the Council. **Gwen** asked if a meeting could be arranged with **Councillor Kinniburgh** and interested parties. **Tony** said that he would be in contact with the Councillor and would ask him to contact **Gwen** regarding a possible meeting. **Duncan** suggested that a Council Officer from Environmental Health could be asked to attend any meeting regarding the noise. **Councillor Trail** said that he thought this may be possible.

Bottle Bank At Car Park: **Alasdair McCuish** said that rubbish is being dumped around the area and not IN the bins. **Tony** said he would contact **Councillor Kiniburgh** with a view to tidying the area.

Carman Road Tyre Dumping: **Archie Westwood** said that tyres had been dumped about every 3 metres as if thrown from the back of a lorry. He has come upon two piles of tyres with about 50 tyres in each pile. This is between the entrance to **St. Peters College** and first cattle grid leaving Cardross. **Tony** reiterated that he will contact the Archdiocese with a view to getting some answers.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Community Council Meeting – Monday 19 February 2018 at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

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WELCOME

The Vice Convener welcomed **Inspector Alan Kerr (Police Scotland)** 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

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APOLOGIES

Tony Davey (Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Bobby Beggs, Mike Crowe, Barrie Morton, Michael Wilson, and Rev. Maggie McArthur.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

POLICE REPORT

Inspector Kerr said there were a number of incidents as follows;-

Date	Location	Crime	Person charged / arrested
10/01/18	Cardross	Missing elderly female traced.	
28/01/18	A814 Ardardan	Car Collision	1 person charged.
30/01/18	Fernie Gardens	Car stolen	Enquiries continue.
02/02/18	A814	Using mobile phone while driving	Fixed penalty issued.
03/02/18	Braid Avenue	Suspicious person	Enquiries continue.

Five people were stopped and warned about speeding on A814 between last week and this week.

Youth Engagement Officer for this Area is looking for adult volunteers to assist in having activities for children.

Internet Crime affects young and old members of the community. Any suspicions should be reported to the police.

The fire at the Cardross Inn is being treated as wilful fire raising and enquiries continue.

George Murphy asked about the house on Carman Road, next to the access to the care home. As well as a large number of vehicles being parked within the property, there are also vehicles parked partly on the public footway and on the public road. **Inspector Kerr** said that he will look into the matter.

Since there were no further questions, **Inspector Kerr** left the meeting with our thanks.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 15 January 2018

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

MATTERS ARISING

Lay- By at the Pharmacy: **Councillor Morton** said that she had been told by officers that unless parking restrictions can be enforced, there is little point in installing them. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that if the Community Council can spread the word about inconsiderate parking, people may stop doing it.

Potholes Kirkton Road: **Councillor Kinniburgh** is said that they have now been repaired.

Cycle Track: **Councillor Trail** said that the process for land acquisition continues. Construction of the section from A814 to the station is still in the programme for this financial year.

Noise from Sawmill: **Councillor Morton** said that sound monitoring had been carried out from some gardens. A meeting has been arranged between the Council Officers and the Sawmill proprietor early in March.

Gardens at Paper Shop: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the area has now been tidied up.

Ferry Road: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will pursue the matter of the number of lighting columns.

Peel Street: **Councillor Morton** said that more than half of the residents must ask for the road to be adopted by the Council. The residents must pay for the road to be brought up to adoptable standards, before the Council will adopt it.

Bus stop at Ardoch: **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the grass around the bus stop is much shorter due to the recent cold weather. He will see if it can be cut at an appropriate time.

Resilience Plan: **Patrick** said that there are not yet any details on the Plan.

School Sign Barrs Terrace: **Councillor Trail** said that the matter is still outstanding and he will pursue the issue.

Christmas Lights: **Patrick** said that the lights are now off.

PO Storage Box: **Councillor Trail** said that the damaged box at the junction of Kilmahew Avenue and Barrs Road has now been removed.

- St Peters:** **Patrick** said that details of **NVA's** activities are uncertain at the moment.
- Burns Supper:** **Patrick** said that Burns Supper was very successful. He thanked all who attended. A profit of more than £500.00 was made. This will go into the fund to repair the roof.
- Bottle Bank At Car Park:** **Patrick** said that the situation has improved since the bottle banks have been removed.
- Carman Road Tyre Dumping:** **Patrick** said that the dumped tyres are still there. **Bob** said fly typing is going on all over the village, including general rubbish on Darleith Road.

CORRESPONDENCE

Patrick said there was a letter from **Bob Harvey** about large tankers using Darleith Road. They display "Low Hazard Waste" signs. The company logo is "ACER". There are about 40 lorries per week, heading for Cairniedrourth Farm. **Patrick** asked if the Councillors could investigate. There was a letter from the "Scottish Fire and Rescue Service" asking for volunteers with particular skills. Examples include, someone with a boat or someone with a 4x4 vehicle. There was a letter stating that the Community Council has paid the registration fee and is registered for another year with the Information Commissioner.

PLANNING

Bobby said there is nothing this month.

HEALTH

Patrick said that there are no new matters.

AOCB

- Verges on Darleith Road:** **Bob** asked who was responsible for maintaining the verges. They are in a poor state at the moment. This is mainly due to the action of large lorries. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will try to find out what is happening at Darleith Road.
- Broken Gulley Cover:** **Bobby** said that there is a broken cover at the junction of Kirkton Road and Kirkton Crescent. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will pursue the matter.
- Homes for Heroes:** **Jo** said that there will be test boring on site around March 2018. Construction of two houses will be completed by December 2018.
- Supporting Communities Fund:** **Patrick** said that the hall has submitted an application for funding from the Fund. It is hoped to do a project with Primary 6 about the proposed **McIntosh Trail** which will start in the Geilston Hall. **Argyll and Bute Council** will administer the Fund.
- Noise from The Sawmill:** **Gwen Irvine** said that she is gratified to hear that a monitoring exercise is taking place. It feels as if the Council are taking the matter seriously. **Gwen** said that there is now a list of 26 affected householders. **Gwen** asked if an Environmental Assessment had been carried out when the planning application for the extension to the sawmill was submitted. **Councillor Morton** said that no application was necessary since the extension was done as "permitted development". **Councillor Morton** said that monitoring of noise has been taking place for quite a long time.

Gwen said that when the monitoring takes place it seems to be over a period of about 15 minutes. The Sawmill operates from 7am until 8pm. **Gwen** said that at the time when an application for an extension was submitted, concern was expressed about the effects on the local Redshank population. No mention was made of the effect on the residents living near the extension. **Gwen** asked if there are any limits on the hours of operation of the Works. **Patrick** said that we will await the next communication on the matter.

Potholes in Reay Ave.: **Morag** said that there are two large potholes near the junction of A814 and Reay Avenue. and the road gulley on A814, near the priest's house is blocked. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will pursue the matter.

Train Station Skipping: **Stella Kinloch** spoke on behalf of some of the children at Hermitage Academy. She said that the way rail passes for children are structured means that when Craighendorn Station is "skipped", the children must pay bus fares to Cardross. **Patrick** said it is unacceptable that children are being left unattended at the train station. **Stella** said there is no SPT ticket (which could use trains and buses), available from Argyll and Bute Council. **Councillor Morton** said that to her knowledge, the matter has not been raised with the Council. **Patrick** agreed that the **Community Council** would support any action taken by **Stella** to allow the children to travel by train. **Bob** said that it is hoped that some members of the Community Council will meet with **Jackie Bailie MSP** and the **CEO of Abbellio**. This matter will be raised at any such meeting. **Archie Westwood** said that he had spoken to **Jackie Bailie MSP** who confirmed that a meeting will be arranged with the **CEO of Abbellio** in Cardross.

Beach Cleaning: **George Murphy** said that while walking on the shore recently, he was pleased to see that some socially responsible person or persons is taking flotsam from the beach and depositing it next to the rubbish bins.

Broken Sewer at Ardoch: **Brian Watts** said that the sewer from Cardross to Dumbarton burst near the railway line at the bridge. Sewage was flowing directly into the River Clyde. **Bob** asked **Brian** if the matter had been reported to **SEPA**. **Brian** said he did not know. **Patrick** said that the Community Council report the matter to **SEPA**.

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APOLOGIES

Patrick Trust (Vice Convener), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Barrie Morton, and Rev. Maggie McArthur.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mike Crowe said that he may have an interest in a planning matter and if it is raised, he will leave the meeting. There were no other declarations of interest.

POLICE REPORT

Tony read from a copy of the Police Report as follows:-

Date	Location	Crime	Person charged / arrested
21/02/18	Cardross Co-op	Shop lifting	Enquiries continue.
02/03/18	A814 Cardross	Driving on closed road during adverse weather.	1 person charged.
11/03/18	A814 Cardross	Driving without permission and under influence	1 person charged.

There were 31 incidents. Numerous weather related calls, parking/obstruction dealt with near Pharmacy, various calls on planned shoots where firearms were heard and 2 loud music calls. (quiet on arrival).

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 19 February 2018

Martha Hart asked why the matter of planning consent for a project in **Kirkton Road** had not been minuted. **Tony** said that the Community Councillor responsible for Planning had not received details in time for the last meeting and therefore, the matter had not been minuted.

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by **Bob Murray** and seconded by **Bobbie Beggs**.

MATTERS ARISING

- Lay- By at the Pharmacy:** **Tony** said that he had been advised that three parking tickets have been issued to the vehicle parking on the yellow lines on the road outside the pharmacy.
- Potholes Kirkton Road:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that they have now been repaired. Additional potholes have been reported and are on a list for repairing at the first opportunity.
- Cycle Track:** **Councillor Trail** said that the matter was due for discussion at the Area Meeting on Thursday 22 March 2018. **Councillor Morton** said that the Council has received a planning application that impacts on the proposed route for the cycle track and will not therefore be discussed on Thursday. An update should be available in June.
- Noise from Sawmill:** **Councillor Morton** said that she had received a report from the Environmental Health Officer. The officer and her colleague met with a Company Director from the Sawmill and a Health and Safety Advisor on site on Wednesday 16 March. An action plan was drawn up which included:-
1. Review of use of chainsaw on site.
 2. Covering in of the building which houses the fans associated with the cyclone
 3. Deafening works around the cyclone.
 4. Further noise monitoring and assessments to be carried out by Environmental Health.
- A copy of this update will be provided to the complainants in the next few days and shared with the Company
- Gardens at Paper Shop:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he has not yet received any details about planting in the area.
- Ferry Road:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will continue to pursue the matter of the number of lighting columns and will give any available information at the next meeting.
- Peel Street:** **Councillor Morton** said that more than half of the residents must ask for the road to be adopted by the Council. The residents must pay for the road to be brought up to adoptable standards, before the Council will adopt it.
- Bus stop at Ardoch:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the grass around the bus stop will be cut down at the start of the growing season.

CORRESPONDENCE

Tony said there was a letter from **Brian Craven (Treasurer)** giving details of the **Cardross Community Council bank balance**. On 28 February 2018, the balance was **£652.62 in credit**.

Acceptance of the Accounts was proposed by **Jo Cameron** and seconded by **Bob Murray**.

PLANNING

Bobby said there is one planning application for lopping trees.

Tony referred to **Planning Application 18/00026/PP** for the construction of a dwelling place in Kirkton Road. **Tony** said that there had been 23 submissions for the application.

Mike Crowe left the meeting during Planning debate returning for the next agenda item.

There appears to be no appetite to the Planning Application for Kirkton Road support during his terms of office.

HEALTH

Duncan said that **Patrick** had left two pieces of correspondence. The first was from the **Lomond Patients Group** to the **Strathclyde Partnership for Transport** thanking them for the recent timetable adjustments to the bus service between Helensburgh and their hospitals.

Duncan then read out a leaflet from **NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde** explaining what can be treated at the **Vale of Leven Minor Injuries Unit** and what cannot be treated.

AOCB**Proposed**

Tony gave the provisional dates for Community Council Meetings over the next 12 months.

Dates:

they are **2018** - 21 May, 18 June, 20 August, 17 September, 15 October, 19 November,

2019 – 21 January, 18 February 18 March, AGM 15 April.

It was agreed by all present that these dates should stand.

Tony said that nomination forms for anyone wishing to stand as a Community Councillor are available in the library or in the Civic Centre in Helensburgh. This Thursday is the last day for submitting nominations.

**Train Stop
Skipping:**

Tony said that **he, Alex Hynes (Managing Director, Scotrail Alliance), Jackie Bailie MSP, Bob and Duncan** met this afternoon to discuss the problem of station skipping. **Bob** said that **Alex Hynes** arrived on the train (which was on time!). **Jackie Bailie** gave a short resumé of the situation over the last two years. We emphasised the isolated nature of Cardross Station and the disproportionate effect of “stop skipping”. **Alex Hynes** gave us a good hearing. We were encouraged by his comment that **Abbellio** must decide whether the job is to move trains or to move people. **Mr. Hynes** gave figures to support the poor level of service at **Cardross**, particularly at the tail end of last year. He has commissioned a report in an attempt to find the root causes of these problems. **Alex Hynes** agreed to meet again in 6 months time to discuss the situation at that time.

**Train Horn
Noise:**

Bob said that the subject of train horn noise was mentioned at the meeting with **Mr. Hynes**. The problem is being considered by **Abellio**.

**Hole in Lay- by
On Darleith
Road:**

Julie Lang said there is a large hole developing in the second lay-by on the left, going up the hill, after the church. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will pursue the matter with “Roads”.

Bob said that in view of the poor state of the verges, would there be any merit in erecting warning signs. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will mention this to the Roads Officer.

Station Building: **Julie Lang** asked why the station building was closed. **Tony** said there had been an electrical fire in the building and a temporary office has been installed while the old building is being repaired.

**Speeding on
Barrs Road:**

Ms. Marshall said that cars are speeding on the road. **Tony** said he will raise the issue at tomorrow’s meeting with **Inspector Kirk (Police Scotland)**.

**Participating
Budget:**

Alasdair McCuish said Argyll and Bute Council are sending a representative to the hall on 13 April between 10am and 12 noon. It is to explain the workings of the “Participating Budget”.

There are 22 projects vying for a share of this budget. **Geilston Hall Management Committee** have asked for a grant of £750 towards their project on the Mackintosh Trail. A preferred project can be voted for online on the Argyll and Bute website. **Alasdair** asked for local support.

Vote of Thanks: **Tony** thanked his fellow office bearers for their support during his term of office. **Michael Wilson** then said that, on behalf of the community, he wished to thank **Tony** for his hard work over many years along with the other Community Councillors, for looking after the interests of the community.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting will be advertised after the election of the new Community Council. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

Inaugural Meeting of the Cardross Community Council
held in Geilston Hall, Cardross on Thursday 28th June 2018

Present: **Michael Brown** **Jo Cameron**
 Ken Chapman **Brian Craven**
 Alasdair MacCuish **Robert Murray**
 Duncan Stirling

Stuart McLean, Argyll & Bute Council
Councillor David Kinniburgh, Argyll & Bute Council

1. Stuart McLean, on behalf of the Returning Officer, welcomed all to the meeting.
2. Apologies for absence were received from Patrick Trust.
3. There were no declarations of interest made.
4. It was agreed to appoint Patrick Trust as Convener of the Community Council.
5. It was agreed to appoint Michael Crowe as Vice Convener.
6. It was agreed to appoint Duncan Stirling as Secretary.
7. It was agreed to appoint Brian Craven as Treasurer.
8. It was agreed not to make any appointments of specialist administrators at this time.
9. The community council considered and adopted the Model Constitution.
10. The community council considered and adopted the Model Standing Orders
11. The community council considered and adopted the Best Practice Agreement.
12. Stuart McLean highlighted a range of governance issues including timescales for issue of agenda and minutes; the co-option process; forming committees; information on complaints processes and the new provision to include a process for sanctions; and information on the new General Data Protection Regulations.
13. The community council noted the request made by the WWI Steering Group to participate in the Beacons of Light Nation's

Tribute on 11th November 2018 and agreed to continue consideration of this to a future meeting.

14. The date of the next meeting will be on 20th August 2018 within the Geilston Hall and thereafter meetings would be held on the 3rd Monday of the month, namely - 17th September 2018, 15th October 2018, 19th November 2018, 21st January 2019, 18th February 2019, 18th March 2019 and 15th April 2019. .

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL EMERGENCY MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON TUESDAY 17 JULY 2018

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

The Convener welcomed all present. He said that the meeting had been convened because of the concerns raised by a number of residents who had received **Neighbourhood Notifications** for **Planning Application 18/01444/PP**. 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), Mike Crowe (Vice Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Bobby Beggs, Jo Cameron, Rob Irvine, Bob Murray, Councillor Richard Trail, and 137 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Ken Chapman, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Ellen Morton, Jennifer Kinloch, Michael Wilson, Rosemary Wilson

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no other declarations of interest.

PLANNING APPLICATION 18/01444/PP

Patrick said that members of the community had expressed concerns to Community Councillors about this application. The concerns relate to the proposed use of Muirend Road, Barrs Road and adjacent roads as an access to the proposed new housing in the field at the top of Barrs Road. **Patrick** said that the Community Council are only able to send a "letter of concern" relating to the application. Anyone wishing to comment on the application should do so as an individual. **Patrick** read out a letter from **Jennifer Kinloch** stating her concerns.

Bob Murray said that the proposed methods of dealing with the increase in traffic and parking on Barrs Road will prove ineffectual.

Jo Cameron said she had been told that where a couple wish to object to the proposals, two signatures on one letter will count as two objections.

Mike Leitch said that the proposals will result in up to 200 more cars using Barrs Road on a daily basis. There will be a considerable volume of heavy construction traffic and there will be many more children using the junction to get to the school. The increase in traffic will result in an increased risk to children going to school and an increase in the "nuisance" effect to residents.

Tony Davey said that two sites were identified for housing in "The Main Issues Report" from Argyll and Bute Council. The site on Darleith Road was the Council's preferred option though they have been told on numerous occasions about the problems of access. The Roads Manager said that Barrs Road was not acceptable as an access. It seems that Avant Homes have decided to avoid the conditions set out by the Council for an upgrade of Darleith Road by proposing Barrs Road as an alternative. **Tony** said that Barrs Road remains unacceptable as an access.

Peter Radcliff said that he stays on Muirend Road at the most dangerous corner of the road. To date, traffic from housing developments have been introduced gradually and have not had a major effect. Traffic generated by this proposal will not be so easily absorbed. The danger to pedestrians will be greatly increased by this increase in traffic.

Alastair Grant said that a proper "Impact Assessment" should be carried out when compiling the Local Plan. He asked if the Local Authority has done this.

Morag Elliot said she is involved with a group who have been working with the Council regarding access to this site. Avant Homes report contains a veiled criticism of the Council. **Morag** said that the site is not a suitable option considering the accesses available. Her group have been told by the Council that Barrs Road would not be used as an access to the site. The report provided by Avant Homes consultant is full of holes. The safety of children walking to school appears to have been ignored.

George Murphy said that he is concerned at the lack of information available. **Patrick** said that some information is available on the Council's web site.

Hugh Fleming said the Council should have a traffic count on the proposed route, carried out by someone independent of Avant Homes' Consultant.

Sandra Grant said that a few years ago, the Council put a 20 mph limit on a part of Muirend Road because it is so dangerous.

Susan Marshall said that she is concerned at the speed of traffic on the road.

Pauline Wailes said that additional traffic will add to the existing problems experienced by the school children and older people using Barrs Road.

Gordon Hendry expressed his concern that some people are already saying, "Use Darleith Road instead of Barrs Road". As a resident of Darleith Road, he objected on the technical merits of the proposal to use Darleith Road as an access. The Council approved a scheme which did not meet any of the current Technical Standards. Although this was acceptable to the Council, the Developer has realised that this is an expensive option. He has effectively put the responsibility of providing an acceptable access on the Council.

The Developer is now proposing a cheaper option. Essentially, neither of the roads give suitable access.

The access appraisal provide by the Developer's Consultant can be readily rubbished. **Gordon** quoted, "the increase in traffic will be minimal." Gordon assessed that from Kirkton Road to Mrs. Kinnloch's, there are 30 units accessing the top of Barrs Road. The report states an increase to 136 units. This is an increase of 400%. Hardly minimal! It is up to the Council to question the quality of the report.

Patrick reminded all present to express their concerns to the Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Community Council Meeting – Monday 20 August 2018 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 August

2018

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

Patrick Trust (Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Bobby Beggs, Mike Brown, Jo Cameron, Mike Crowe, Rob Irving, Alasdair MacCuish, Bob Murray, Ken Chapman, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Ellen Morton, Councillor Richard Trail, and 29 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wilson.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mike Crowe said that he may have an interest in a planning matter and if it is raised, he will leave the meeting.

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

Patrick Trust said that he is the Secretary of the **Geilston Hall Management Committee**.

There were no other declarations of interest.

POLICE REPORT

Patrick read from a copy of the Police Report as follows:-

Speed checks were carried out in the village on 22, 26, 27 March, 2,3 and 11 April. 4 fixed penalty tickets were issued. 4 warnings were issued.

Date	Location	Crime	Person charged / arrested
08/08/18	Cardross Road	Male run past bedroom window.	No trace.
12/08/18	Ardmore	Female assaulted.	Male suspect being traced.
19/08/18	Cardross Golf Club	Purse theft during party.	Enquiry ongoing.

There were 5 incidents.

MINUTES OF EMERGENCY MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 17 July 2018

Duncan said there were two amendments to these minutes.

1. In the paragraph **PRESENT** change "Irvine" to "Irving".
2. In the paragraph **PRESENT** add "Alasdair MacCuish"

At the meeting on 17 July, **Jo Cameron** said she had been informed that two signatures on one letter of objection, would count as two objections. A member of the public said that this was NOT the case. **Martha Hart** asked why this had not been minuted. **Patrick** said that he had a letter from **Sandra Davis** which assured him that two signatures on a single submission would count as two objections. Since the member of the public was wrong, his comment was not minuted in an attempt to prevent his embarrassment.

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by **Bobbie Beggs** and seconded by **Bob Murray**.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 19 March 2018

Duncan said there were two amendments to these minutes.

1. Omit the last sentence in the paragraph on **PLANNING**.
2. In the paragraph on **Participating Budget**, change "MacCuish" to "MacCuish".

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by **Bob Murray** and seconded by **Bobbie Beggs**.

MATTERS ARISING

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| Participating Budget: | Alasdair MacCuish said that the Geilston Hall Management Committee had been successful in getting a grant of £750.00. It is hoped that the Hall will be open in October for the Mackintosh Festival. |
| Lay- By at the Pharmacy: | Patrick said that there are still problems there. His hope is that it can return to being a loading bay as it was for the Co-op shop that used to be there. |
| Potholes Kirkton Road: | Councillor Kinniburgh said that they have now been repaired. |
| Noise from Sawmill: | Patrick said that the matter is ongoing. Councillor Morton said that she had received a report from the Environmental Health Officer that there is to be a second monitoring of noise levels. Several neighbours have been visited by Environmental Health officers and several agreements have been reached. Further discussions are to take place between Environmental Health and the owner of the Sawmill. Rob asked if the second monitoring, which was scheduled for the first week in August, had taken place yet. Councillor Morton said she will check and get back to the meeting. |
| Cycle Track: | Patrick asked if there were further developments. Councillor Morton said that we are getting there. The Council has reached an agreement with Ardardan . Discussions are progressing with other land owners. There is now a time frame and a long term plan, including the stretch from Cardross to Dumbarton. |
| Peel Street: | Patrick said that Peel Street has been re-surfaced by the residents. |
| Proposed Dates: | Patrick said that the dates of the Community Council meetings are :-
2018 - 17 September, 15 October, 19 November, 2019 – 21 January, 18 February and 18 March. |
| Train Stop Skipping: | Patrick said that the situation seems to have improved in general. |

- Train Horn Noise:** **Patrick** said there has been nothing new on the issue.
- Hole in Lay- by On Darleith Road:** **Julie Lang** said the area has been excavated and the resulting hole has been covered in plastic. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will pursue the matter with "Roads".
- Speeding on Barrs Road:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that roads officers will need to carry out speed checks. However, the apparatus needed is being used elsewhere in Argyll and Bute. Officers will carry out speed checks when the equipment is available.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said there was a letter from Friends of Geilston. The Geilston Garden Wildlife Day is on Saturday 1 September. All are welcome. **Patrick** had a letter from Helensburgh Community Council asking that Cardross Community Council get involved in their Helensburgh Seafront Development objections. **Mike Brown** suggested that there may be a time when we would wish for Helensburgh CC to be involved in something in Cardross. **Patrick** said that there is still time for individuals to comment. He said the Planning Application Number for the project is **18/01614/PP**. Comments must be submitted by 6 September 2018. **Patrick** said he would let committee members see HCC's email and would await a majority decision on whether or not to get involved.

PLANNING

Partick said that the **Planning Application 18/00026/PP** had not been considered because it had not been seen at the February meeting. This lack of information meant that the matter could not be discussed even though **Martha Hart** had raised the issue.

Bobby said there were 3 applications. **The first** is for the erection of a dwelling house and formation of access at 34 Kirkton Road.

Since **Mike Crowe** had declared an interest in the matter, **Patrick** asked if he wished to make a comment before leaving the meeting. **Mike Crowe** said that the original application had been withdrawn. Amendments had been made and a new application had been submitted.

Mike Crowe said that for the Community Council to submit a "letter of concern", he would be looking for a big majority of the village to be supporting that and not a handful of people.

Mike Brown asked if **Mike** meant a majority of the village or a majority of the people at the meeting. **Mike Crowe** said a "letter of concern" has to be representative of the village and NOT the people at the meeting. **Mike Crowe** then left the meeting.

Patrick asked if any council members wished to comment. **Jo** asked that as a community council should we reflect the views of members of the community who have objected.

Patrick said that he did not think the community council should be "for" or "against" any project.

Jo agreed with this comment. **Patrick** said that if there are a number of people at the meeting opposing a project then the community council should express this view in a "letter of concern" to **Argyll and Bute Council**. The Community Council should not send letters of support or objection.

Bob reiterated the comments made by **Patrick** with particular regard to issuing a "letter of consent".

Mike Crowe then returned to the meeting.

The second application is for the demolition of extension, alteration and erection of extension from the care home to 14 residential flats. **Jo** said that she is concerned because it is 10 flats in the old Bloomhill property and 4 new builds. **Jo** is concerned that the design of the new build flats is not in sympathy with the original C listed building.

Bob said he would support **Jo** said that the access from Carman Road is extremely poor.

Michael Hutchison said that it is not possible to walk up Carman Road without walking ON the road.

It is extremely dangerous for pedestrians.

Rob asked if there is a business being run from the nearby premises. **George Murphy** said that no-one seems to know. **Patrick** said that he will raise the matter of the parked cars from the "business" with the police.

Patrick said the Community Council will write a letter of concern about this application.

The third application is for the building of 3 dwelling houses at Asker Farm.

A member of the public said that there is not the infrastructure in Cardross to cope with this piecemeal development in the village.

Julie Lang said that not a single road has been improved or widened since she moved into the village 27 years ago. However, car usage has increased dramatically.

Patrick said he will send the details to each member of the CC for comment.

HEALTH

Patrick said that the leader of our Health and Social Community Partnership has resigned. He said this is a little alarming. He remains concerned about the inadequate budget and how the Partnership is going to manage things. One or two things have been successful but otherwise he remains very concerned. **The Lomond Patient Group** is working with the Pressure Group and local GPs to try and make sure we do not lose any more services at the Vale.

AOCB

Barrs Rd. Planning Application:

Patrick reminded all present that the meeting concerned access to the proposed housing site and NOT the housing site itself. **Patrick** said that he had written a letter to **Sandra Davis** expressing the concern of a large number of members of the community. They objected to the use of Barrs Road, together with adjacent roads, as an access to the proposed housing. The increased risk to schoolchildren from increased traffic, was also stated in the letter. **Patrick** said that he had confirmation from **Sandra Davis** that anyone can write concerning the planning application. They should write to:-

Sandra Davis, The Helensburgh and Lomond Civic Centre, 38 East Clyde Street, Helensburgh, G84 7PG.

Brian said that 153 objections have been recorded to date.

Sandra Grant said that discussion seemed to centre on Barrs Road and ignored the effects on Barrs Terrace, Ritchie Avenue and Muirend Road. **Sandra** asked that the effect on these roads should be included in any objections.

Sandra Patterson said that there is a copy of her letter in the library and it can be copied and sent to **Argyll and Bute Planning**, by any objector who wishes to do so.

Michael Hutchison said that the proposers claimed that their parking review was carried out on a Thursday and a Saturday. However, the photographs accompanying the review were taken on a Monday, evidenced by the fact that householders bins were in the photographs.

Alasdair asked if the planning meetings were open to the public. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the public can attend the meetings but cannot take part in them. At these meetings, the Councillors will decide whether or not a public meeting is necessary. **Michael Hutchison** asked if a public meeting is held, do you need to declare your intention to speak in advance of the meeting.

Councillor Kinniburgh said there is a protocol in place for dealing with these meetings and that anyone intending to speak should give advance notice.

Patrick said that two of the councillors present are members of the Planning Committee and are unable to comment on this application. **Councillor Morton** said that she is NOT on the Planning Committee but she is full of admiration for the councillors who are in the Committee and have to make some "thorny" decisions.

Councillor Morton said that the application will be approved on condition that the road safety issues on Barrs Road are addressed.

- Speeding on A814:** **Ken Chapman** said his biggest concern on the roads is speeding. There are cars going, on average, between 40 and 50mph. Sometimes, 70mph. **Ken** read his proposal from a newspaper article. “ The Ministry went on to create a national penalty scheme called LEZ – Low Emission Zone.” It is automatic number plate recognition. **Ken** said if you come from Helensburgh too fast, cameras photograph the number plate then automatically issue a fine to the owner of the car. **Ken** said people are cycling on the pavement because cars are going to fast. **Patrick** said we can take the information to the police and see what they say.
- Lamp Post at Old Cemetery:** **Mike Crowe** said the lamp standard has been damaged. **Jo** said that the Council are dealing with the matter.
- Lighting in Peel Street:** **Jo** said the lighting is appalling and asked if the Council could install new lights. **Councillor Morton** said that the road has not been adopted by the Council and is a private road.
- Telephone Box near A814:** **Mike Crowe** said that the telephone box is looking tatty. He asked if it would be possible to get **BT** to paint it. **Michael Hutchison** said that he works for **BT** and the matter should be reported to **BT** directly.
- Gardens at Paper Shop:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he has not yet received any details about planting in the area.
- Dog Fouling:** **Michael Hutchison** said he has been in the village for 8 years. He said that there must be more that can be done. He said it is getting ridiculous. **Councillor Morton** said that unfortunately, even if the Council take a dog owner to court, the Court give the matter a low priority.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2018

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

Patrick Trust (Convener), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Bobby Beggs, Jo Cameron, Mike Crowe, Rob Irving, Alasdair MacCuish, Bob Murray, Councillor Richard Trail, and 25 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Ken Chapman, Mike Brown, Councillor Ellen Morton, Councillor David Kinniburgh.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mike Crowe said that he may have an interest in a planning matter and if it is raised, he will leave the meeting.
Alasdair MacCuish said that he is the Chairman of the **Geilston Hall Management Committee**.
Patrick Trust said that he is the Secretary of the **Geilston Hall Management Committee**.
There were no other declarations of interest.

POLICE REPORT

PC Ross Easton from the Helensburgh Police Office gave a report as follows;-

Date	Location	Crime	Person charged / arrested
25/08/18	Cardross	Assault	One male charged with assaulting a female.
30/08/18	Main Road	Driver with no Insurance.	Driver issued with a fixed penalty Ticket. Vehicle was seized.
2/09/18	Kilmahew Drive	Breach of bail conditions.	One male charged with resisting arrest.

There were 5 other incidents.

Alasdair said that speeding was a common complaint at the Council Meetings. He asked if anything was being done to deal with the issue. **PC Easton** said that 7 tickets were handed out today in the Helensburgh Area. He said he will contact the Inspector with a view to carrying out speed checks in Cardross. **Jo** asked if inclement weather affected speed checks. **PC Easton** said that modern equipment deals with this problem. Since there were no further questions, the Convener thanked **PC Easton** who then left the meeting.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 20 AUGUST 2018

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by **Brian Craven** and seconded by **Mike Crowe**.

MATTERS ARISING

- Lay- By at the Pharmacy:** **Patrick** said that several people had contacted him about the matter. **Councillor Trail** said that the traffic officer is the best person to contact to discuss the matter. **Councillor Trail** said that even if the area is defined as a loading bay, enforcement is an issue. **Jo** said that her neighbour, who has MS, is concerned that the lines for the disabled bay at the paper shop have faded. Also, there is no bay for disabled parking at the pharmacy or the post office. **Jo** felt that the matter deserves attention. **Mike** said that there is a land rover which often parks on the double yellow lines near the bus stop at the Co-op. **Patrick** said that we will write to the traffic officer for his opinion.
- Noise from Sawmill:** **Patrick** said that he had not heard anymore about that. **Rob** said a second round of monitoring was carried out on 3 August 2018. Feedback was that the noise levels had not changed from the last monitoring exercise. The Sawmill have not followed through on their informal agreement with Environmental Health to take remedial action. **Rob** said that the noise has not abated and the matter is ongoing. **Alasdair** asked if the sawmill worked for 24 hours a day. **Rob** said typical weekday working is from 7am until 8pm. On Saturday it is 7am until 2 or 3pm. They sometimes work on Sunday.
- Cycle Track:** **Patrick** asked if there were further developments. **Councillor Trail** said that work will start next month, on the section from Geilston Park towards **Murrays Crossing**. **Rob** said that track has been promised for 18 years and the matter has just gone on and on.
- Train Stop Skipping:** **Patrick** said that the problem is now cancellation of trains. Today's cancellations were due to a "broken down train". **Patrick** said that he will write to **Scotrail** on the matter.
- Hole in Lay- by On Darleith Road:** **Patrick** said that the hole is still there. **Councillor Kinniburgh** was pursuing the matter. He is ill at present and the matter will be taken up on his return to good health.
- Speeding on A814:** **Patrick** said **Ken's** proposals for dealing with speeding were in fact proposals for dealing with congestion in cities and were not appropriate for dealing with speeding vehicles.
- Lamp Post at Old Cemetery:** **Patrick** said the lamp standard has not yet been repaired. He said he would register the complaint online.
- Telephone Box near A814:** **Mike Crowe** said that the telephone in the box is working. It seems that the box can be scrapped or purchased by the community for £1.
- Gardens at Paper Shop:** **Patrick** said that the gardens at the paper shop are a disgrace while those at Darleith Road junction with A814 are very well kept.
- Dog Fouling:** **Patrick** said it seems to be getting worse.

CORRESPONDENCE

Bob said that **Duncan** had given him two items of correspondence. One was relating to the linking of Community Councils in the area. The other related to the programme for Armistice Day.

Patrick said that he will respond to these communications.

Patrick said there was an e-mail from **Brian Watts** to our three councillors. It said that a year ago, he raised the issue of obstruction of the A814 footpaths going east from Cardross beyond Craighend Road and Ferry Road. There are rocks falling out of the wall and the footway has been obstructed.

PLANNING

Bobby said that there were 3 applications. The first is for the erection of a sun room at 24 Riverview Crescent. The second is for the erection of an agricultural shed at Ardardan. The third is for the erection of a semi-detached dwelling house on garden ground at 1 Barrs Court.

HEALTH

Patrick said that there was a great stoushie over the Breast Service. **Jackie Bailie MSP** pursued the matter through “freedom of information”. She discovered that there had been no public consultation. **Greater Glasgow** have now said that their plan to shut down the mammography service at the Vale of Leven Hospital, install two new mammogram machines at Paisley and make everyone go to Paisley, is now in abeyance. **Greater Glasgow** have promised to come back and consult women in this area.

The Health and Social Care Partnership for Helensburgh and Lomond are conducting a strategic plan survey of what constituents would like to see in 8 categories involving your health service locally, primary care, from 2019 to 2022. If you google “strategic plan survey for Argyll and Bute” HSCP, you will find a questionnaire. **Patrick** said that everyone should respond.

AOCB

Armistice Day Parade:

Patrick said he is arranging for a display next to the plaque for Corporal Pender in the Geilston Hall. The plaque commemorates his death in 1915. He was the nephew of Katherine Geils who owned the hall. Opposite his death plaque is the plaque for the hall and a letter written in 1914 saying how wonderful it was that he had been accepted for a commission. **Patrick** said that he had memorabilia from Miss Hendry’s archives in Edinburgh, with quite a few fascinating letters from the front to her mother. He has the dedication programme for the war memorial in Cardross in 1920.

Patrick has material from **Michael Wilson’s** father who was invalided out of the Army and went back to join the Royal Flying Corps which became the Royal Air Force. **Patrick** also has memorabilia from a sea man who fought in the Battle of Jutland. This material will be ready in the hall for 11 November 2018. **Mike Crowe** and **Bobby Beggs** volunteered to act as stewards on the day of the parade.

Jo said there is a display in Dumbarton Library of memorabilia from the First World War.

Brian said that payment has been made for the two wreaths for Armistice Day.

A814 Footway:

(See Correspondence) **Mr. Watts** said that nothing has been done. His next door neighbour, who is partially blind, has to walk back from Cardross and has ruined a pair of shoes due to the rocks on the footway. **Mr. Watts** said that a “no waiting sign” is missing. **Councillor Richard Trail** suggested that we contact **Stuart MacCracken** in Roads.

Horse Fouling:

Jo said that it is ridiculous to think of this as a problem. We live in a rural community. It is a difficult thing to stop a horse doing that. **Bob** said that we were advised once before that there are no pathogens in horse manure. **Marion Adams** said that she had been walking her dog on the foreshore and she had seen riders galloping horses on the grass of the football pitch. The area had been damaged enough to cause her to twist her ankle when she was walking there the next day.

It was generally agreed that this is unacceptable. **Patrick** said that he will contact **Stuart MacCracken** and ask if anything can be done to prevent this problem.

- Planning Matters:** **Alastair Fern** said that planning issues are always going to be contentious. He asked if the committee should be better informed about these matters before it comes to a public meeting. **Patrick** said he did not think so. He said that the vast majority of planning matters are NOT contentious. **Alastair** said that not enough information is given by the planning department to answer all of the questions raised by an application. **Patrick** said that individuals have to go and look at the plans to understand them. It is not always the simplest thing to do. **Patrick** said that as a community, it is very clear when the community is concerned about planning. There have been more than 100 letters about the Darleith/Barrs Road access proposals. **Patrick** said that he thought that the Community Councils' job is to reflect the concerns of the community. The Community Council is not equipped to comment in detail on, planning matters.
- Development Plan:** **Alastair Fern** said that the Development Plan has identified huge areas around the village that could be developed. He asked if we wait until something happens or can we be pro-active and ask for impact assessments to be carried out to determine whether the proposals are an appropriate use of that land. **Alastair** wanted to know who identifies areas for development. He said that an impact assessment would demonstrate whether or not the proposal is the correct use for that piece of land. **Alastair** said that Planners may be subject to political persuasion. **Patrick** said that he will contact **Councillor Kinniburgh** and ask what the Community Council should be doing about the Development Plan.
- Geilston Hall:** **Patrick** said that the meeting of the **Geilston Hall Management Committee** will be held at 8.00 pm 24 September 2018 in this hall.
- Waste Bin at Pumping Station:** **Marion Adams** said that she had brought up this matter up about a year ago at a council meeting. **Patrick** said that since the land is owned by **Scottish Water**, Argyll and Bute Council do not have a right to access this area and cannot place bins there. **Bob** said that he specifically asked to have bins placed in the area and the Council said they are unable to do so.
- Community Council Web Site:** **Brian Watts** said that the Community Council's web site is embedded in another organisations' web site. He suggested that the Community Council should have its' own web site. **Patrick** said he will look into the matter.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held in the Geilston Hall at 8.00pm on Monday 15 October 2018.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 15 OCTOBER 2018

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

Patrick Trust (Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Bobby Beggs, Mike Brown, Jo Cameron, Mike Crowe, Rob Irving, Bob Murray, and 12 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Alasdair MacCuish, Councillor Ellen Morton, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Richard Trail, Barrie Morton and Michael Wilson.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mike Crowe said that he may have an interest in a planning matter and if it is raised, he will leave the meeting. **Patrick Trust** said that he is the Secretary of the **Geilston Hall Management Committee**. There were no other declarations of interest.

POLICE REPORT

Patrick read from a report provided by **Sgt Bob Magee** as follows:-

Date	Location	Crime	Person charged / arrested
07/09/18	Riverview Crescent	Attempted Housebreaking.	Investigations continue.
28/09/18	Murrays Road	Serious assault	Investigations continue.
07/10/18	House on the shore	Attempted Housebreaking.	Investigations continue.

There were 2 other incidents.

Patrick said that speed checks had been carried out in the village. 5 motorists were stopped and warned.

Patrick said that **PC Stamp**, who is the youth engagement officer, is leaving his post and a replacement is being sought.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 17 SEPTEMBER 2018

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

MATTERS ARISING

- Lay- By at the Pharmacy:** **Patrick** said that he had seen a car being ticketed for parking on the double yellow lines.
- Noise from Sawmill:** **Rob** said that the Environmental Health Officer, **Mary Watt**, is having meetings with individual complainants about the increase in noise levels since the sawmill extended. **Mary** is taking statements from these individuals. The sawmill will be given a final opportunity to address the problem. If this is not forthcoming, the Council will be taking formal steps in an attempt to address the problem. **Rob** said that he has not been informed of the timescale of the process.
- Cycle Track:** **Patrick** said that the track is going to be extended from the Station to the Geilston Burn. **Brian** said that the Helensburgh Advertiser had reported this as a length of 285 metres. This work is to be included in the works programme starting in October 2018. The last sentence in the report states "There is a reputational risk to the council if the project is not completed within a reasonable timeframe". **Patrick** said that we will let the councillors know that a planned completion in 2023 is pretty disappointing. **Rob** suggested that the phrase "pretty disappointing" is inadequate. "Absolutely outrageous" would be more appropriate. It was agreed that this phrase is appropriate.
- Train Stop Skipping:** **Patrick** said that he thought they were getting better. The general opinion is that there is little improvement.
- Hole in Darleith Road:** **Patrick** said that there is still a hole is still there. It was agreed to await the return of **Councillor Kinniburgh** who was looking into the matter.
- Speeding on A814:** **Patrick** said that the police have been carrying out speed checks in the village and stopping motorists.
- Lamp Post at Old Cemetery:** **Patrick** said that he has written twice about the need for a replacement lamp post. As yet, he has not had a reply.
- Telephone Box, A814:** **Mike Crowe** said that the telephone in the box is working. It seems that the box can be scrapped or purchased by the community for £1. There was no proposal to buy the box.
- Gardens at Paper Shop:** **Patrick** said that no work has been done in this area.
- Dog Fouling:** **Patrick** said it is still a problem. It seems that unless witnesses see and report irresponsible dog owners, little can be done.
- A814 Footway Going East:** **Patrick** said that he has written twice to the Council and has not yet received a reply. The rocks are still lying on the footway. **Mike Brown** said that he has seen a bull in the field, knocking rocks off the wall, onto the footway. **Julie Lang** said that she had been coming down the road and a van had struck a cow on the road.
- Horse Fouling:** **Patrick** asked if anyone saw this as a problem. No one commented. **Patrick** said that he had talked to someone in the **Roads Section in the Council** and been told that horse traffic on the cycle track will NOT damage the surface.
- Community Council Web Site:** **Patrick** said that the Community Council's web site is embedded in another organisations' web site. The problem with having a web site for the Community Council is that no one has volunteered to, keep such a site updated.

CORRESPONDENCE

Patrick said that a letter of permission has been received to have a “parade” at 11 o’clock on 11 November 2018. **Tony Davey** said that the scouts and guides will be having a dress rehearsal on Thursday and Friday of this week. Wreaths will be laid on the steps then moved to the war memorial after the parade. There was no further correspondence.

PLANNING

Bobby said that there was 1 application. It is for demolition of a dwelling house with alterations to existing dwelling house at the Knock on Brooks Road.

HEALTH

Patrick said that **Joanna Macdonald** has been appointed as the new Chief Officer for Argyll and Bute’s health and social care partnership.

AOCB

Planning Matters: **Jo** said that she had objected to the proposals for the new flats at Bloomhill. She put two signatures on one letter and got two responses. One for her husband and one for herself. The application has been withdrawn. **Patrick** said that the **Planning Department** have requested the use of the Geilston Hall from 09.30 until 17.00 for Wednesday 31 October 2018. It is for a meeting to discuss the Planning Application for the use of Barrs Road as an access to the proposed **Avant Homes Development**. Letters of concern will be accepted by the Council up to the day before the meeting. Anyone writing such a letter will be able to speak at the meeting.

Homes for Heroes: A member of the public asked when construction of these houses would begin. No one at the meeting was able to say.

Grant: **Brian** said that he has now received the Community Council Grant from Argyll and Bute Council. It is for the sum of **£702.40**.

AGM: **Patrick** suggested that the Annual General Meeting should be held next year, at the end of the financial year. This was agreed by those present.

Newsletter: **Patrick** asked if a newsletter should be published at the end of the year. It was agreed that since there have been only three meetings, there is no point in issuing a newsletter.

Darleith Road: **Julie Lang** asked how bad the road has to get. The road is now flooding on each side. If nothing is done, the road will be closed. **Patrick** said that he will write to “Roads” about the matter.

Station Road: **Morag** said that there is a drain between the station and the church hall gate which has never been cleaned.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held in the Geilston Hall at 8.00pm on Monday 19 November 2018. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL

ON MONDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2018

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

Mike Crowe welcomed **Sergeant Alan Heron (Police Scotland)** and 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

Mike Crowe (Acting Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Bobby Beggs, Rob Irving, Alasdair MacCuish, Bob Murray, Councillor David Kinniburgh, and 12 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Patrick Trust (Convener), Mike Brown, Jo Cameron, Councillor Ellen Morton, Councillor Richard Trail, Barrie Morton and Michael Wilson.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mike Crowe said that he may have an interest in a planning matter and if it is raised, he will leave the meeting. **Alasdair MacCuish** said that he is the Chairman of the **Geilston Hall Management Committee**. There were no other declarations of interest.

POLICE REPORT

Sergeant Alan Heron gave the report as follows:-

Date	Location	Crime	Person charged / arrested
11/11/18	Carman Road	Wilful Fireraising.	Investigations continue.

There were 38 other incidents reported from 15/10/18 to 19/11/18.

A member of the public asked if anything could be done about the large number of cars being parked outside a property on Carman Road. **Sergeant Heron** said that the police are aware of the issue. However, parking is a problem over the whole of the police area and there are not resources available to dedicate to parking problems. Unless parking is causing an obstruction, there is little that the police can do. While the cars parked on Carman Road are a nuisance, it is still possible to pass them. **Rob** said that this matter came up at a recent meeting and it was suggested that the cars are part of a business being run from the premises.

Tony Davey said that the matter was raised some time ago, by the then proprietor of Clydeview. Residents in wheelchairs were unable to access the footway. **Tony** said that it has been known for some time that there is a problem. **Sergeant Heron** said that he may be able to refer the matter to "Trading Standards".

Willie Laird asked if anything can be done about kids meeting on the shore. A youngster was badly hurt last month. **Sergeant Heron** said the area is being given extra attention but it is difficult to do anything if the youngsters are not upsetting anybody.

Mike Crowe said that a car is parked in the bus stop, across from the Co-op, most days. **Sergeant Heron** said he will look into the matter. Since there were no more questions, **Mike** thanked **Sergeant Heron** for his report and the sergeant left the meeting.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 15 OCTOBER 2018

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

MATTERS ARISING

- Noise from Sawmill:** **Rob** quoted from an email that he had received from **Mary Watt**, an Environmental Health Officer with Argyll and Bute Council. It said “an abatement notice in respect of Section 18 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, was served on 7 November 2018 on Riding Sawmills, requiring them to abate the noise nuisance by 8 March 2019”. **Rob** said that he understood that the Sawmill has a right of appeal within the process. We will await the outcome.
- Cycle Track:** **Mike** said that there was an article in the Helensburgh Advertiser about the cycle track. **Councillor David Kinniburgh** said that a report had gone to the Area Committee. In the report it was confirmed that negotiations have been held up by the lack of an offer, from the Council to the landowners. **Rob** asked if the reason for the hold-up was known. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the plans for the project have not yet been finalised. **Bob** said that the width of the track was in contention. He is concerned that this is just a delaying tactic. **Rob** asked if any other minor infrastructure project in Argyll and Bute has taken 25 years to come to fruition. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said it is the responsibility of Argyll and Bute Council to complete the project. A time line has been put on the project and he will take every available opportunity to raise the matter. **William Laird** said that as a landowner, he has agreed a route with Argyll and Bute Council but has not yet had an offer for the affected land. **William Cullen** said that the last time he was contacted by the Council, with regard to acquiring land for the cycle track, was 2013. His agent was contacted in 2017 and asked to fill in a form allowing him to act on behalf of **Mr. Cullen**. His agent returned the form in June 2017. The Council have not yet made further contact. **Julie Lang** asked if this was a “Millenium” project, and was there funding attached to it. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that funding had been made available and three projects were highlighted. Two of the projects have been completed, but the Cardross Cycle Track, has not. **William Cullen** said that an article in the local paper gave the impression that landowners are holding up the process. They are not. **Bob** suggested that **Mr. Cullen** should send a letter to that effect. to the local paper, **Alasdair McCuish** asked for the date of the next Area Committee meeting. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said it will be on 21 December 2018 in the Victoria Halls. He said there will be an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions. **Tony Davey** said that he attended an Area Meeting twelve months ago. He asked if landowners were responsible holding up negotiations. He was told that the matter was subject to commercial confidentiality and he could not be privy to that information. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he is as frustrated as everyone else by the situation. He will bring any additional details to the next Community Council Meeting.
- Train Stop Skipping:** **Bob** said that he has arranged a meeting with **Jackie Bailie MSP**. Train skipping seems to have been reduced. Trains are cancelled instead. **Willie Laird** said that this morning, the 8.35 train was cancelled and the 9.05 train’s first stop was Partick.
- Train Horns:** **Bob** said that **Ken Redman** had approached **Mary Watt**, who is an Environmental Health Officer with Argyll and Bute Council. She suggested that the noise is inconsequential because it is of such short duration. **Bob** said he will discuss the matter further with **Jackie Bailie**.
- Hole in Darleith Road:** **Mike** said that the road has a large number of patched areas. **Julie Lang** said that the hole is still there. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will pursue the matter.
- Speeding on A814:** **Mike** said that there has not been an update on the problem.
- Lamp Post at Old Cemetery:** **Mike** said that **Argyll and Bute Council** have not yet replied to **Patrick’s** letters.

- Gardens at Paper Shop:** **Mike** asked if the area could be tidied up. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he would ask if this could be done.
- A814 Footway Going East:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the rocks are still lying on the footway.
- Community Council Web Site:** **Mike** said that there have not been any volunteers to look after a Community Council web site. **Brian** said that it would require someone with the necessary technical knowledge to run such a site.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said there are two pieces of correspondence. The first, which **Duncan** read out, was from **Patrick**. He thanked the many members of our community who took part in the Commemoration of the Armistice 100 years ago. He thanked **Postman Drew** the piper, **Tony Davey, our Councillors, Michael Wilson, the Rev. Maggie Macarthur, Barrie Morton, Nancy Gray, Cardross Primary 6 pupils, Jo Cameron, Bobby Beggs and Mike Crowe.** **Duncan** read out the second letter which came from **The Friends of Geilston.** The letter said that the gardens are still at risk and asked for a large attendance at their AGM on 27 November 2018 at 7.30 in Cardross Golf Club.

PLANNING

Bobby said that there were 4 applications. The first is for the installation of a Dormer Window at Ardoch House. The second is for the installation of a new public address system in the railway station. The third is for internal and external alterations to Clydeview Care Home to create ten flats. The fourth is that Avant Homes application has been postponed. **Bobby** said that he went to the post office today and asked for the plans relating to the Clydeview proposals. The PO has not received any copies of plans since February 2018. **Mike** said he will pursue the matter.

HEALTH

Mike said that there are no new issues relating to Health.

AOCB

- Planning Matters:** **Bobby** said that due to an increase in his work load, he will no longer have the time to represent the Community Council in planning matters. **Mike** thanked **Bobby** for the work he has carried out on behalf of the Community Council. **Rob Irving** volunteered to act as the planning representative. His offer was gratefully approved by the members present.
- Beach Litter:** **Rob** said that a new initiative has been set up by “**Keep Scotland Beautiful**”. It is called “**Upstream Battle**”. It is an attempt to eradicate marine litter from the whole of the Clyde Basin, including the Firth of Clyde. **Rob** suggested that it may be worthwhile liaising with this body when we have our next beach clean. **Bob** agreed and said that a real effort would be in order in the Spring of 2019.
- Red Road:** **Julie Lang** said that since the storm in September, the section of road behind the Gillespie’s house which had been used as a “passing place”, has been blocked by fallen trees. **Mike** said we will contact the Roads Department and ask if they can deal with the matter.
- Crematorium Sign:** **Morag** said that the sign is no longer clearly visible. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he will raise the matter with the Roads Department.

Footway to Crematorium: **Willie Cullen** asked if anything can be done about the poor state of this footway. **Duncan** said that the issue had been raised previously. The answer was that the issue would be solved, when the cycle track was constructed. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he will pursue the matter.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held in the Geilston Hall at 8.00pm on Monday 23 January 2019.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Acting Convener.