

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL

ON MONDAY 19 OCTOBER 2020

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

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

PRESENT

Patrick Trust (Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Rob Irving, Bob Murray, Alasdair MacCuish, Councillor David Kinniburgh, Councillor Richard Trail, and 14 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Alasdair MacCuish said that he is the Chairman of the **Geilston Hall Management Committee**.
Patrick said that he is a community member of the **Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership**.
There were no other declarations of interest.

POLICE REPORT

Patrick read out the report. It covered the period from 21 September 2020 to 19 October 2020:-

Number of incidents = 14

3 incidents all relating to assault between same school aged youths

Assist other agency – 1

Road traffic matters – 3

Car vandalised -1

Persons within address in breach of Covid guidance – 1

Call re pub selling alcohol indoors – False alarm. - 1

Youths causing annoyance – 1

Lost female – 1

Suicidal male – 1

Silent 999 call – 1

Crime reports = 4

Serious assault – youth reported.

Linked simple assault to the above – youth reported.

Dog attacking livestock – owners of dog and sheep has agreed an outcome.

Vandalism to a car.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 21 SEPTEMBER 2020

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by **Brian Craven** and seconded by **Rob Irving**.

MATTERS ARISING

- Deaths of Ellen Morton and Michael Wilson:** **Patrick** said that **Councillor Ellen Morton** died recently. He said that she has been a good friend to Cardross and helped him obtain funds, on a number of occasions, to keep the **Geilston Hall** going. We will miss her. **Patrick** said that **Michael Wilson** had died. He was always extremely interested in the activities of the Community Council and often helped, over many years, with his great knowledge of the village. We will miss both **Ellen** and **Michael** very much.
- Lamp post at Ardoch:** **Patrick** said that he has noticed that 5 of the repaired lamp standards have been working day and night. **Brian Watts** agreed that this was the case. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the Council pay a fee based on the number of lamp standards owned by the Council and an approximate daily usage of electricity. If the lights are on 24 hours a day, there are no additional costs to the Council.
- Hole in Darleith Road:** **Julie Lang** said the situation is unchanged. Traffic is being diverted from the hole onto the East side of the road and is now breaking up the road surface adjacent to the verge. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that further extensive Works are being scheduled, and he is awaiting an update on when the work will be carried out.
- Cycle Path:** **Patrick** said that work continues on construction of the cycle path near the park and football pitch. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that the bridge is scheduled to be installed later this month.
- Ardoch A814 Road Safety:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that he is waiting on **Jim Smith**, the **Head of Roads** for our area, coming back to him with dates for a site meeting.
- Caronavirus Response:** **Stella Kinloch** said that volunteers are still available if **Cardross Cares** needs to be mobilised again.
- Dog Walking Facility at Auchensail:** **Councillor Kinniburgh** said that when a planning application is submitted for the project, the Community Council will receive details on the application. **Julie Lang** asked who must submit a planning application for the project. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said it is likely to be the landowner, the promoter of the project or an agent, acting on their behalf.
- Overgrown Garden Hedges:-** **Patrick** said that a lot of people are cutting the affected hedges. **Stella** said that she now uses a different route to get to the school.
- Parking Bay for Disabled:** **Patrick** said that he has not yet had a reply. **Councillor Kinniburgh** suggested that **Patrick** writes, yet again, to the Council. He said that he will raise the matter with council officers.
- Speeding A814:** **Patrick** said that the police have a second camera and he has seen them using it.
- Geilston Gardens:** **Chris Moore from Friends of Geilston** said that the **National Trust for Scotland** have been in touch with the two people who run the "**Kilmahew Education Trust**". **K.E.T.** has not yet responded. **Duncan** agreed to send **Chris** a copy of the Community Council's letter to the National Trust, regarding the possible sale of Geilston. **Chris** said the Gardens will be promoting a Halloween event on Saturday, 31 October 2020.
- Beach Clean:** **Bob** said the Beach Clean held on Saturday 17 October 2020, was a great success. About 50 people took part. A number of young children turned up, which was very encouraging. **Bob** said that the beach litter levels were reasonably low. It is thought that some public spirited group had been there before the beach clean. **Bob** took some photos for the Helensburgh Advertiser newspaper and thanked everyone who took part. **Bob** said that while the area was pristine on Saturday morning, by Saturday evening, broken bottles and other rubbish had appeared at the "willow tree", east of the wood yard. **Patrick** said that he will make the police aware of the issue.

Church Ave. Blocked Drain: **Patrick** said that the drain at on the North side of the carriageway, outside the church, is still blocked. **Councillor Kinniburgh** had a report from a Roads Inspector saying that the drain was clear. He said he will chase the matter up again.

Red Road Drainage: **Julie Lang** said that the large puddle on the carriageway at the “Hunters” house, at the corner next to the Irises, has disappeared. A drainage ditch has been excavated in the adjacent field.

Red Road Litter: **Julie** said that there is a lot of litter in the lay-bye north of the junction, and in the adjacent field.

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said he had received two items. The first was bank statement from the Royal Bank of Scotland. The Community Council Account, has £1865.31, at 20 September 2020, **Duncan** said that he will pass the statement onto **Brian**. The second was a road closure order from Argyll and Bute Council for Carman Road, from 2 until 13 of November 2020 for road surfacing.

PLANNING

Rob said there is nothing to report this month.

HEALTH

Patrick said that **The Lomond Patient Group** is unimpressed with **Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board**. The Board, is refusing to amend the web site or tell NHS 24 that the Vale Hospital is open every night from 11.00pm until 8.00am, with a full service, including minor injuries. Their website says that the Vale is shut. NHS Highland Health Board pay GGCHB £750,000.00 to provide GP services at the Vale. **The Lomond Patient Group** will continue to pursue the matter.

AOCB

Remembrance Sunday: **Tony Davey** said that, in common with national guidance, there will be no form of military parade or public gatherings, on Sunday 8 November 2020. There should be NO PUBLIC GATHERINGS in the vicinity of the war memorial. Wreaths will be laid at the village war memorial, by **Tony, Councillor Kinniburgh** and adult representatives from the **Scouts** at 10.55am. An act of commemoration will be held in the church at 11.15am.

Poppies: **Tony** said that **Grace Laird** and **Caroline Craig** are arranging for trays of poppies to be available for sale, at retail outlets throughout the village.

Library: **Leslie Griffiths (Librarian)** said main libraries are opening for a few days in the week. There are plans to open the smaller local libraries on 3 November. **Leslie** is retiring in December 2020. **Patrick** thanked **Leslie** for her invaluable serve to Cardross Library. **Tony** said that the libraries are part of “Live Argyll” and asked if the organisation is to be subject to any budgetary cuts. **Councillor Kinniburgh** said he is unaware of any proposals to cut the “Live Argyll” budget but he will keep us informed of any developments.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Zoom for those at 8.00pm on Monday 16 November 2020. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.