

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL

ON MONDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2021

AT 8.00 P.M.

WELCOME

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

PRESENT

Patrick Trust (Convener), Duncan Stirling (Secretary), Brian Craven (Treasurer), Mike Brown, Mike Crowe, Rob Irving, Bob Murray, Alasdair MacCuish, Provost David Kinniburgh, Councillor Richard Trail and 9 members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Jo Cameron, Bobby Beggs, Barrie Morton and Kelly Girling (Head Teacher, Cardross Primary School)

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**.
Mike Crowe declared that he is standing as a candidate in the local elections on 18 March 2021.
There were no other declarations of interest.

SCHOOL REPORT

Patrick read the report from **Kelly Girling (Head Teacher)** as follows:-

"I don't really have anything to update the community council with except to say as long as there are no changes from the Scottish Government we are looking forward to welcoming all children from the ELC and P1 - P3 back to full time school from the 22nd February. Along with our P4-P7 keyworker and vulnerable children this will mean we will have 63% of our school roll back in school."

POLICE REPORT

Patrick read the report as follows:-

Cardross Police Report **09.02.2021**
Total incidents in last month = 13
Report of a house party – No trace of any party.
Damage caused to Kilmahew Castle.
Road accident.
Civil matter re payment for building works (2 calls).
Dropped 999 call x 2.
Call in response to media article about bogus callers.
Concern re a male.
Youths gathering at Barrs Road.
Lost dog.

Suspected illegal traps on farmland.
Theft from the Co-Op.

Total crime reports raised = 4.

Damage to the castle – enquiry ongoing.

Males in possession of cannabis – 2 reported and also given fines for breach of covid travel legislation as not from the area.

Theft by shoplifting.

Car bumped by second vehicle and driver failed to report same.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 18 JANUARY 2021

On page 3 under “PLANNING”, amend “Meryl Head Cottage” to “Knothead Cottage.”

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

MATTERS ARISING

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| Lamp post at Ardoch: | Provost Kinniburgh said that additional work is to be carried out in the area and it has still to be completed. |
| 50mph limit In Cardross: | Patrick said that he has not yet had a reply from the police on the matter. |
| 20mph limit in Cardross: | Patrick said that he has not yet had a reply from the police on the matter. |
| Christmas Tree Lights: | Patrick said that the company called “ Fusebox ” will inspect the lights if they are removed from the tree. Patrick said this is a difficult operation, since the tree has grown around the light wires. |
| Dog Fouling: | The school has anti fouling notices on the school railings. |
| Newsletter: | Patrick said it is 2 years since the last Newsletter was produced and we should produce one this year. |
| Washing Machine: | Patrick thanked Provost Kinniburgh for arranging to have the washing machine removed from the pavement across the road from the Pharmacy . |
| Dog Poo Bin: | Patrick said the bin on the path from the 30mph sign on A814, to Murray’s Crossing, has now been emptied. |
| Parking on Pavement: | Patrick said that he has not yet had a reply from Inspector Roddy MacNeill (Police Scotland) on the matter. |
| Cycling on Pavement: | Patrick said that he has not yet had a reply from Inspector Roddy MacNeill (Police Scotland) on the matter. |
| Footway from Cardross to the Crematorium: | Provost Kinniburgh said that cleaning and clearing of the footway should begin on the week starting on the 22 February, 2021. |
| Geilston Gardens: | Patrick said that the Gardens will open 1 April 2021. |
| Ardoch A814 Road Safety: | Brian Watts asked for the results of the vehicle counting and speed monitoring carried out recently. Provost Kinniburgh said that he will ask Roads for these results. |

CORRESPONDENCE

Duncan said he had received nothing of note.

PLANNING

Rob said that there have not been any planning applications this month.

Rob said that he has been told of the construction of "mountain bike trails" within the College grounds. **Rob** asked if this would be a planning issue. **Mike Crowe** said that trees were being cut down in the area. **Provost Kinniburgh** said he will ask if Planning have any information on the matter.

HEALTH

Patrick said that **Dr. Nick Dunn** has organised a rota for out of hours GPs from 6pm until 10pm, Monday to Thursday, at the Vale of Leven Hospital. **The Glasgow and Clyde Health Board** has been unable to achieve this so far. The **Lomond Patients Group** have been unable to convince the **G&CHB** to put this information on their web site.

CARDROSS CAN GROUP

Linsey Young said the Group has started a Facebook Page and a Youtube Channel.

The Group has received more than 1700 signatures relating to the petition for construction of a Cycle Path. It is hoped that the Council will be able to use these results when justifying any funding applications. The design of the cycle path is continuing as will further community consultation. **Alasdair MacCuish** asked if the route of the cycle path had originally followed the railway, then been moved to follow the A814, then been moved back to follow the railway. **Provost Kinniburgh** said that is what had happened.

Linsey said that the Cardross Trust has accepted CAN's proposal to plant 3 trees in the village park. Cardross Trust had suggested that, more established, silver birch trees should be supplied.

Duncan said that since the existing trees in the park grow to a height of around 10 metres, planting silver birch trees which grow to a height of around 30 metres seems inappropriate.

Linsey said that the **Cardross Trust** had specified the use of silver birch trees.

AOCB**Finances:**

Brian said that there is **£2102** in the Community Council Account. This includes a "one of" amount of **£587**, which has been provided by Argyll and Bute Council and is "ring fenced" for Christmas related activities.

There have been requests for funding from Cardross CAN and the Geilston Hall.

It was agreed to pay for the 3 trees requested by Cardross CAN. It was also agreed to make a payment towards the running of the Geilston Hall which is community owned.

Beach Clean:

Bob said that a Beach Clean should be carried out as soon as Covid Rules allow. They area is in desperate need of litter removal.

Roadworks at D/ton Argyll Boundary:

Brian Watts said that the Contractor used the footways for parking vehicles. The area has been left in a muddy condition. **Provost Kinniburgh** said he will ask Roads to look into the matter.

Hedges:

Alasdair MacCuish said that a large number of property owners have allowed their hedges to grow over the footway and narrow the effective width of the footway. **Provost Kinniburgh** said it is the responsibility of the property owner to control their hedges.

Local Election 18 March 2021:

Henry Bothwell was introduced as the candidate for the **Liberal Democrat Party** in the local election.

Gemma Penfold was introduced as the candidate for the **Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party** in the local election.

Both **Henry** and **Gemma** offered to address any points that voters may wish to raise with them.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Zoom at 8.00pm on Monday 15 March 2021.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.