

CARDROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
AGM HELD IN THE GEILSTON HALL AND ON ZOOM
ON MONDAY 17 April 2023
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), Alice Cook, Rob Irving, Alasdair MacCuish, Caroline McNair, Heather Munro, Bob Murray, Lindsey Young, Councillor Paul Kennedy, and 13 members of the public. (21 people in the hall and 3 people on Zoom)

APOLOGIES

Shuna Gillies, Simone McLeod, Christine Nevin, Angela O'Neil and Barrie Morton.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Patrick said that he is a **Community Member of the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership** and **Secretary of the Geilston Hall Management Committee**.

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

Caroline McNair said that she is a member of **Cardross CAN** and she works in the **library**.

Heather Munro said that she is a member of **Cardross CAN**.

Lindsey Young said that she is a member of **Cardross CAN**.

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Acceptance was proposed by **Bob Murray** and seconded by **Rob Irving**.

MATTERS ARISING

Police report: No report was provided.

School report: No report was provided.

Gala Day: **Lindsey** said that it will be held on 20 May from 12 noon until 4pm. All are welcome. There will be various stalls, bouncy castles, a food market, a gala parade of the King and Queen and a live radio station will be Disc Jockeying.

CONVENER'S REPORT

Roads and Transport:	Lindsey Young from Cardross CAN group, said that there is nothing to report. She emailed Colin Young asking when WSP Consultants are supposed to be handing over their design. Colin has not yet replied. He will attend the Community Council Meeting on 15 May 2023.
Sawmill Noise:	Rob said that there is nothing new to report. Councillor Kennedy said that he had talked to Mary Watt from Environmental Health Department . She said that she was unaware of any recent complaints and investigation have stopped. Rob said he understood that Mary Watt had handed over the responsibility to Cameron McAuley . Rob has been corresponding with him for the last 18 months. Councillor Kennedy said he would send a copy of the Mary Watt's email to Rob .
St. Mahews Car Park:	Patrick said that there are no further developments. It seems that the salt bin in the car park, belongs to the church.
Nominations For Unfilled Postions:	Patrick said that there are two positions available in the Community Council.
Drain at High Strip:	Julie Lang said that the drain has not yet been repaired. Councillor Kennedy said that he has been told that repairs would be carried out. He said he will pursue the matter further.
Wall at Station Rd.:	Patrick said that he will contact the sawmill, and ask if they will carry out repairs.
Beach Clean:	Bob said that the beach clean will take place on Saturday 22 April from 10am until 12 noon. The Reverend Maggie McArthur has offered a light lunch in the Church Hall, to those taking part.
Planning relating to Applications:	<p>Patrick said there is still confusion as to which department is responsible for proposals</p> <p>Darleith Road. A large number of letters have been written to the Council concerning their unsafe proposals for Darleith Road. Rob said that the roads department were consulted and had returned a "consultee" reply as follows:- " In light of previous applications, Reporter responses and access constraints, in the interests of road safety, Roads defer comment, until such time, that greater details can be provided so as to satisfy the existing site access issues." This is a "fudge" reply. Gordon Hendry said that he had written to CALA, asking if they intended using the drawings showing Darleith Road effectively unchanged. The reply said that it was a "suspensive planning condition". Gordon said that if CALA proposed something other than the road corridor shown on the drawing, that would result in a "material change" and that should cause another applicaton to be made. This would allow the public to comment on these new proposals. A member of the public who had written to Roads had been told that it is a matter for Planning. Duncan said that while proposals for the development are the responsibility of planning, they would have to ask Roads if access proposals meet current standards. In his view, Roads would be obliged to state that they do not, and that the development should not progress until an access that meets current standards has been constructed.</p> <p>Patrick said that he will write, expressing the communities concerns about properly improving the Darleith Road access to the proposed housing development.</p> <p>Patrick said that he has written to the Council expressing concerns about the flooding effects of the development, on other parts of the village.</p>
Church Time Capsule:	Patrick said that the capsule has been buried.
Bins at Top of Barrs Rd.:	Bob said that the issue seems to have been forgotten about. The Council proposal to install a bin area, has not been carried out.
Health:	Patrick said that there have not been any local developments.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Brian reported on income and expenditure from 1 April 2022 until 31 March 2023. The net balance is **£721.44**. The accounts were audited by **Graeme Kenny**. Acceptance of the statement of accounts was proposed by **Duncan Stirling** and seconded by **Bob Murray**.

ELECTION

Election of Convener And Vice Convener: Office Bearers stood down and **Councillor Paul Kennedy** took the chair. **Councillor Paul Kennedy** called for nominations for the post of Convener. **Bob Murray** nominated **Patrick Trust**. **Brian Craven** seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. **Patrick** was duly elected as **Convener**. **Patrick** proposed **Lindsey Young** for Vice Convener. **Duncan** seconded the proposal. **Patrick Trust** proposed **Duncan Stirling** for the post of **Secretary**. This was seconded by **Bob Murray**. **Bob** proposed **Brian Craven** for the post of **Treasurer**. This was seconded by **Lindsey**.

The other named office bearers are:-

Health – Patrick Trust.

Planning – Rob Irving.

Rural – Bob Murray.

Active Travel – Lindsey Young.

Accounts Examiner – Margaret Calder.

Councillor Paul Kennedy stood down and **Patrick** took the chair.

Patrick thanked **Councillor Kennedy**.

Dates for Forthcoming Meetings 2023 & 2024: The dates for the forthcoming Cardross Community Council Meetings are as follows:-
15 May 2023, 19 June 2023, 21 August 2023, 18 September 2023, 16 October 2023,
20 November 2023, 15 January 2024, 19 February 2024, 18 March 2024, AGM 15 April 2024.
All meetings will be held in the Geilston Hall at 8:00pm.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Cardross CAN: **Heather** said a “shore survey” will take place on Saturday, 23 April 2023. The Community Pantry Plan, using the phone box as the pantry, will be established with the aim of preventing food waste in Cardross. The Carbon Literacy Trust package is available for Councils across the UK. It shows how to become carbon literate.

Cars Parked On Carman Rd.: **Caroline** asked if anything can be done to prevent the cars being parked outside the property, near the junction with the A814. Cars using Carman Rd. are forced onto the wrong side of the road, near a “blind” bend. **Rob** agreed that an accident is inevitable. **Patrick** said that the matter has been raised with police, who said that if there is no obstruction, then no law has been broken.

Lay-bye at Pharmacy: **Patrick** said that he had requested a 1hour limit be placed on parking at the pharmacy, the library and the paper shop. These limits apply on some roads in Helensburgh. The Council have ignored his request, so far. **Councillor Kennedy** has been told by Police that parking around the pharmacy footway is only illegal if it causes an obstruction.

Temporary Traffic Lights: **Brian Watts** said that temporary traffic lights on the A814 are in operation, but no one is working on the site. **Councillor Kennedy** said that he will pass the matter on to the Roads officer.

Craigend “Rocks”: **Brian** said that the rocks which were removed from the footway, have simply been put behind the wall. They could affect the stability of the wall. **Councillor Kennedy** said he will refer the matter to a roads officer.

Flashing Light on A814 near Bainfield Rd.: **Brian** said that the number is not flashing when motorists pass. **Patrick** said that the number appears when the motorist is speeding. **Brian** suggested that if the sign is not functioning, motorists may be unaware that they are speeding. **Duncan** said that the flashing sign is not a statutory sign.

The statutory 30mph signs are at the entrance to the village, and they indicate the maximum speed allowed.

Misspelled Street Signs: **Julie Lang** suggested that the misspelled street sign for Darleith Road should be corrected. **Rob** suggested that the misspelled word “Carriageway” on the cycle track sign, should also be corrected. **Councillor Kennedy** said that he will pass the matter on to the Roads officer.

Public Nuisance Kirkton Rd: **A member of the public** said that youngsters have been gathering in Kirkton Road and causing a nuisance. They give abuse to anyone who chastises them and have thrown excrement at windows. The speaker said that the matter had been reported to the police , to no effect. The situation is worse at weekends and holidays. **Patrick** said that he will report the matter to the police on behalf of the Community Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting held on Monday 15 May 2022 at 8.00pm in the Geilston Hall and on Zoom. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Convener.