

# DUNADD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Dunadd Community Council held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 19.30 in the Glassary, Kilmartin and Ford Parish Church, Barmor View – Kilmartin.

Present- George Stewart (GS) (Chair), Hazel Fuller (HF), Di Roberts (DR), Sue Maclean (SM), Jim Malcolm (JM), Willie Beattie (WB), Joanna Cole (JC).

In attendance: Sue Creech (SC), David Bracken (DB) (DCE), Dougie Philand (DP) (representing A&B Council), Richard Moody (RM) (representing Kilmartin Museum),

## 1. Apologies

David Smart

## 2. Declarations of Interest

None declared

## 3. Minutes of previous meeting

DR proposed the minutes from the last meeting (25<sup>th</sup> May inc. AGM) as accurate and SM seconded.

## 4. Co-option

Co-option form received from SC. JC proposed the co-option on the form. GS asked for a seconder - JM seconded and everyone agreed. GS welcomed SC as a Dunadd Community Councillor. GS noted that DCC has now filled the maximum number of co-opted members (three.) There have been other people that has expressed an interested in joining. HF has checked with the council and no further member can be co-opted. If anyone else wishes to join DCC, can do so next year at the council elections.

## 5. Matters arising from the minutes:

### 5.1 Traffic problems -

Following the last meeting, HF sent an synopsis of all the outstanding traffic queries to the council. The response was shared with DCC's prior to the meeting.

GS read from the email and the following updates were noted (*q is the question HF asked and R is the response*)

**Q-** Extend the 30MPH speed limit coming out of Kilmartin towards Oban - outstanding Nov 21. **R** - The officer has measured the site and provided all the relevant information to the service officer to progress the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO). We are unable to provide a timescale for this as the team are currently working at 50% capacity.

**Q.** Right warning triangle on A816 for Barrmor View. **R** - Both our operations team and Traffic and Development team have agreed that a warning triangle is not required as there is sufficient forward visibility and the junction is within a 30mph speed restriction.

**Q.** Change speed limit in Barrmor View to 20 mph including traffic calming measures. **R** - The road is a block paved shared area. Drivers should be driving at an appropriate speed and anybody witnessed breaking this should be reported to Police Scotland. The Air bnb at Kilmartin Castle erected an advance warning sign for the play park and they have agreed to erect additional signs within their land and also place a notice on their website advising visitors that it is a residential road that leads to the property.

**Q.** Look to change the speed limit in Ford to 20 MPH. **R** - A vehicle speed survey was carried out and the result showed no issue therefore we cannot make this change.

**Q.** C38 update. Urgent repairs are required - outstanding over 12 months. **R** - It is worth noting that we previously advised that this road will be considered for inclusion in the capital budget from 2022 onwards, this does not mean it will be included just considered each year. This year, with the cost of materials etc our budget has had to stretch further than usual and we can confirm the C38 is not part of the 23/24 capital programme. As this road has not been included in this years capital budget any required repairs will be carried out following its annual inspection or after being reported by the public. Repair categories fall into different timescales depending on the severity of the issue, and response times vary from 2 hours [danger to life] to 6 months. We have a detailed assessment and repair criteria which is used by all roads authorities in the west of Scotland for road safety inspections and defect. An annual inspection took place in January with defects identified and repaired – we received a letter of thanks from a local resident regarding the extent of the pothole repairs. A report of flooding was received in April , ditching work was carried out to stop this however at the same time an additional inspection was carried out along the road with instructions raised to repair any identified defects.

The invoice for the horse rider signs has been received and these will be installed in August.

**Q.** C38 Passing places - passing place signs in all passing places - we have been advised no budget for this. **R** This is correct however we did manage to secure a small amount of additional funding last year and with this we installed 2 x new passing places, improved a third and carried out resurfacing on a stretch of the C38.

The following points and actions were captured -

The council advised they encourage members of the public to help notify them of any issues by using the online reporting tool which can be found on the website <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/report-it>.

People are not aware that Barrmor View is a shared walkway and that pedestrians have a right of way on that road. Footpath over vehicle access. There have been changes to Barrmor View since the road was initially put in, including a business at the end. **HF to ask the roads team/ ACHA if they will put a sign saying pedestrian right of way and get a price if DCC were to purchase one.**

The parking sign on the main road just by the museum states parking to right but does not state where – **HF and DP to ask if this can be clarified.**

**HF to email DP** the details to request the data for the speed survey carried out in Ford.

**HF to check as the C38 is a timber route**, if there is any other organisations involved in the management of the C38 and contact them. **DP will raise the point to the roads team that the C38 is used by emergency vehicles and the divert route when the A816 is closed.**

HF advised she had received an email from police Scotland who are looking at doing speed initiatives in the area – HF will keep CC's updated.

## 6. Reports

### 6.1 Police Report –

GS read out from the police report, Dunadd now come under LB42. It was commented that there were no police presence at this or the last meeting – **HF to take up with Matthew Shaw.**

### 6.2 Treasurer's Report

DR provided the following update –

#### **General Acct**

Total balance £4,712.95. Of which £3,537.31 is for general expenses, the remaining £1,217.62 is ring fenced for the Bridgend Defib.

Bridgend Defib project: Spent £1,531.98, projected outstanding costs £901.60, projected underspend £316.02, remaining balance £1,217.62

#### **Micro Grants**

Current balance £1,302.30.

Recent grants paid – 1) Kilmartin Notice Board £164, approved 30/3/23. 2) Glassary Primary Parent Council £250, approved 29/9/22

### **Innogy**

Current balance £5,998.26. Annual report on spend has been sent to RWE.

We have received an invoice for £649.78 for the horse rider signs on the C38. DR asked if DCC approved the spending for the horse rider signs – all DCC's agreed to pay for the horse rider signs from the general fund.

### 6.3 Planning Report

HF went over the process for the planning applications and GS read through the 5 planning applications for last 8 weeks

23/01044/pp, 23/01294/pnway, 23/00857/pp, 23/01213/fdp, 23/01165/pnway

No action was taken on any planning application by DCC.

### 6.4 Kilmartin Quarry extension

**HF to ask if someone can attend for the next meeting to give an update.**

## 7. Updates:

### 7.1 Kilmartin Museum (including 6 monthly engagement meetings)

RM advised the planning application for the Glebe field parking had gone in and was withdrawn last month. The reasons for the withdrawal is the feedback received including from the roads team that they are uncomfortable with the roads entrance. The museum are now reviewing the plan in light of that feedback. Lot of feedback around consultation and sharing more feedback re plans. In terms of time frame it is not going to move very quickly, the focus just now is on opening the museum – and if there is an agreement that car park is not available then a feasibility study will need to be done to look at alternatives. Look at plans – consultation period, no time scales for this.

Museum opening on 3rd September – 5 weeks preparation, Artefacts return from the British Museum and National Museum of Scotland, installed this week and getting lighting right – still searching for café operator. Setting up a shop with stock and doing snagging issues. RM advised happy to take questions. The following points were captured -

A comment was made about the car park being full just now.

Coaches will be key to the success of the finance of the museum.

A question was asked around the view that Argyll and Bute Council have of this situation, currently not safe to walk down the path, school bus to park safely.

A request was made for a strategic view about parking from the Council. Argyll and Bute Strategic planning to get involved – how to solve the parking issue overall in Kilmartin. **DP and HF to ask the question.**

Coaches will use the car park across the hotel to drop off and then use Carnassarie castle to turn

Once the drawings are available, there will be a new consultation and people will sit down and talk about it.

Parking capacity has gone up from 22 to 39 – museum is offering parking for the village

There will be a booking process for the opening – more automated and you will be able to just turn up

A question was asked around the opening weekend, would there be buses put on for locals in the surrounding areas – **RM to ask the question.**

## 7.2 DCE update

DB advised that DS is now chair, DB advised DCE's last meeting was about next steps – looking at carbon emissions buying some forestry and doing some offsetting.

DB advised the noticeboard has been put up in Kilmartin – this is owned by DCC – Jim and Liz, Richard at the hotel and Di and David all have keys.

DCC and DCE did some work last year re the community plan – for DCE to apply for a development worker need to show that we are working in partnership. DB asked if DCC support the development worker for DCE – it was agreed that DCC would absolutely support the request for getting funding for a development worker.

HF spoke through what potentially the development worker would do.

## 7.3 Council meetings

HF advised that the Council meetings can be found here - [Programme of Committee Meetings – up to June 2024 \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/committees/committee-meetings). MAKI CPG is a meeting that DCC's can attend.

## 7.4 Cnoc na H-Eilde consultation

HF read response from the forestry regarding the consultation. DCC happy to support, no objections raised. HF to respond asking to be kept up to date with the progression of the plan and also around the locations of the gates.

## 8. Correspondence

### 8.1 C38 update

Covered in 4.1

### 8.2 Funding requests

DB has asked for a micro grant to cover the cost of the zoom licence for DCE/ DCC to use. JC proposed and SM seconded. Microgrant approved.

HF asked if can update the website to state that micro grants can be requested at any time, approved. **HF to update and do some comms on microgrants** ahead of the next meeting as volume of requests is quite low. HF to ensure the comms talks about the community benefit.

## 9. Public questions 8.45-8.50

None

## 10. AOCB 8.50-9.00

### 9.1 Hedge by side of the sewerage works (Kilmartin) and intruder alarm at museum

A question was asked about the call out process for the alarm at the museum as it has gone off a couple of times during the night and is quite loud. RM advised it goes through a call out process and a member of staff is alerted. The member of staff then travels to the museum and this may cause a delay depending where they are coming from. An engineer is on site in the next 10 days, **RM will ask if the alarm noise can be quietened down.**

The hedge by the sewage works is currently getting cut by locals. It is owned by the waterboard. **HF and DP to ask A&B Council/ water board to cut the hedge down.**

9.2 Budget stimulator – a discussion took place re next steps. DCC decided not to respond.

9.3 SM advised the process for applications to the A'Chruach Windfarm has changed following feedback. The form is now easier to fill in. Next deadline date for applications is the 8<sup>th</sup> September.

9.4 A request was made to see if West Coast Motors would put more buses on to Glasgow as currently a lot are full and also have a waiting list for any cancellations. **HF to ask the question.**

9.5 Lorries at Slockavullin are turning and going over some of the track that was just re-done. **HF to contact Forestry Commission**

11. Date of Next Meeting

27th September 2023 in Ford Village Hall