INVERKIP & WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Business Meeting
Held on Thursday 3rd June 2004
In the Inverkip Hotel

Present: Lynne Chambers, Cliff Lyons (treasurer), Innes Nelson (chair), Ron Potter (vice chair) & Lorraine Marshall (secretary).
Apologies: Paul Maloney & Cllr Forbes.
In Attendance: PC Paul Renfrew, Mr Ritchie, Mr Christie, Mr Anderson & Mrs Anderson.

Innes Nelson welcomed all present. At 7.30pm the meeting was opened.

Police matters: Figures for the period 06.05.2004 – 03.06.2004

Inverkip	44 Calls			
	Alarms	2	Assist Officer	1
	Non compliance alarm	2	Traffic Other	4
	Test Address	2	Road traffic accidents	3
	Assist Public	4	Complaints	10
	Vehicle Theft	1	Traffic light fault	1
	Vehicle Escort	1	House Breaking	1
	Vandalism	5	Miscellaneous	1
	Thefts	4		
CRIMES 14	Road Traffic Accident	1	Theft of Vehicles	1
	Thefts	2	Vandalism	2
	Breech of the peace	2	House Breaking	1
	Drugs	3	Vehicle Breaking	2
Wemyss Bay	47 Calls			
	Complaint	16	Assault	2
	Missing Persons	2	Alarm	1
	Non compliant Alarm	1	Assist Fire Service	1
	Vandalism	3	Suspect Persons	2
	Vehicle Breaking	2	Drinking in public	1
	Vehicle Escort	2	Drink Driving	2
	Road Traffic Accidents	2	Test Address	1
	Sudden Death	1	Disturbances	4
CRIMES 5	Vehicle breaking	3	Assaults	2

PC Ian McAdam is now working in Gourock.
Recent telephone callers to Greenock have been advised that there are no officers available. This is unsatisfactory and should not be accepted - if this is the case ask for the duty Sergeant and report this, insist that someone attends.

There is a trend occurring where kids/youths are using motorised scooters/quad bikes in public places - this is not permitted unless they are fully licensed.
Undercliff Road, Wemyss Bay has been targeted by kids throwing stones from above. These kids could be arrested for culpable homicide if a resident is injured or reckless conduct - both serious charges.
Kids have been caught in the Glen of Inverkip using drugs - plain clothed officers are proving useful in combating this problem.
Minutes: The minutes of the previous Business Meeting held on 6th May 2004 were approved.
Matters Arising: Busses – we had previously discussed this and wish to make clear that the Community Council do not have any views stating that busses should by pass or travel through the village.

The stops and lack of timetable detail is still causing confusion for residents. This matter will be further investigated. Cliff Lyons is to write to the Traffic Commissionaire regarding the stops on the A78.

Travellers are not aware when alighting a bus in e.g. Largs that it will not travel through the village centre and could be stranded on the A78 if they have mobility difficulties. Travellers with prams are not accepted onto the vehicles unless they have the lo-floor but as these vehicles do not come through the village this also is causing problems.

Secretary's Report: Lorraine Marshall advised she had contacted B Purdie regarding taking up the insurance scheme as previously, he advised that there are now 7 Community Councils willing to take up the scheme and he had contacted Zurich.
Rico Giovannacci has the lease on the land up to and including the Pavilion and the swing park.
We have been asked to supply ideas for Kempock House & gardens in Gourock ideas are new maternity unit, or a support unit for families of drug addiction.

Treasurer's Report: Lynne Chambers to hand in invoices. Cliff Lyons to prepare the books for a mini audit by Inverclyde Finance Dept. so that we may receive our next funding payment.

Newsletter/website/press matters: The next newsletter is printed ready for distribution. The Guides can no longer deliver this, as their adult to child ratio is not enough to cover this.
A new distribution operator has been found.

Planning Matters: Satellite dishes partly in-retrospect at Harbourside and Hebrides Grove, Inverkip.

2 storey extension at 6 Cullen Place Inverkip
5 Houses at Bogside Farm Inverkip
Replacement windows at 3 Point Place Inverkip
Extension at Torbeg Main Street Inverkip
Extension at 24 Swallow Crescent Inverkip

The satellite dishes at the Marina development are being erected willy nilly although it was a condition of their missives that these would not be erected.

Lynne Chambers to write to Planning Dept to request that some uniformity or communal arrangement be implemented.

Telecommunications Mast – imitation boat mast with 3 antenna & 300mm dish 20 meters high.
This is similar to the proposal for Forbes Place Wemyss Bay. Lynne Chambers to gain further detail of site etc. Innes Nelson to write on behalf of Community Council letter of objection to Planning Department.

The drop in session that had been arranged in Wemyss Bay primary school with Mono regarding the mast in Wemyss bay was cancelled and an alternative site is being sought.

There are still a further 151 owner occupied sites to be erected on the marina site. Over the coming 4 years.

Notice Board Station Road Inverkip: Lorraine Marshall to arrange quote for revamp/repair of this.

Date & Time of Next Meeting: 1st July 2004 at 7.30pm in the Inverkip Hotel.

Other Business: The Constitution was discussed and it is hoped that a finalised constitution will be agreed upon at the next business meeting.
There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.35pm.