

INVERKIP AND WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Business Meeting

Thursday 5th June 2014 at 7.30pm

Inverkip Primary School

1. Present: Eileen Virtue (Chair), Jean Anderson (Secretary), David Adams, Alison Clark, Cliff Lyons, Robert McKenzie (Treasurer), Isobel Rennie, Tracy Bunton (Minutes Secretary)

In attendance: Cllr I.Nelson; 4 members of the public; David Carnduff (Largs&Millport Weekly News), David Faller (Inverclyde Radio)

2. Apologies for absence: Liz MacKenzie, Paul Cassidy, Cllr. G. Dorrian, Cllr. L. Rebecchi

3. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Eileen welcomed everyone to the meeting.

4. Police Matters

Paul Johnstone attended and provided the following crime report:

- 103 calls to the Police; 16 reports of crime; 6 detected; incidents of significance:
 - 1 incident of vandalism
 - 3 road traffic accidents
 - 1 theft
 - 1 attempted housebreaking
 - 1 internet fraud
 - 1 attempted fraud (customer in Sainsburys)

Sgt Johnstone spoke about the increase in incidents in summer weather subsequently increasing Police resources deployed. Incident involving 2 females being rescued from the river was cited.

A member of the public raised concerns about parking obstructions on Main Street, Inverkip, Sgt Johnstone recommended calling police on the non-emergency line (101) at the time of a sighting. He recalled the removal of a van immediately after a meeting of IWBCC

Sgt Johnstone went on to speak about recent sightings of the Travelling community offering services in the area. A discussion followed regarding personal choice, the risks involved and limited intelligence available to the police.

The speed limit on Millhouse Road and the speed of cyclists using the pavement was raised by a resident. Sgt Johnstone was aware of the area and spoke about the perception of speed suggesting the layout of the road makes it difficult to reach anywhere near the speed limit. Again he asked that specific incidents are reported by calling (101) immediately after incidents are witnessed.

Action: Jean to email Transport Police to alert them to the need for trains to Inverkip to be monitored during the summer months

5. Minutes of Business Meeting held on Thursday 3rd April 2013 - Matters Arising

5.2 Progress on activities is summarised and updated in Appendix 1.

Minutes proposed as accurate by Alison Clark and seconded by Eileen Virtue

6.0 Pavements and Roads

6.1 Inverkip: Millhouse Road – Cllr Nelson offered to progress enquiries relating to reinstatement of fencing at Millhouse Road/ Swallow Brae discussed under item (4) as well as the condition of the pavement at the church.

6.2 Wemyss Bay: 1. Steps linking Community centre with the Bus Stop; 2. Lomond Road/ Ardgowan Road – condition of pavement. Cllr Nelson agreed to pursue with the Roads team

6.3 Lighting Fault at A78 Bridge (Village side): Cllr Nelson informed that the matter has been reported to Transport Scotland lighting team

6.4 Cycle Path – Inverkip to Wemyss Bay: Cllr Nelson informed that funding is available and there is a desire to start the development however land ownership is to be resolved.

7.0 Secretary Report and Correspondence

Jean provided the following report:

- Invitation received to attend the Kirkin' of the Council
- Letter received from the church asking IWBCB plans for the Queens Baton Activities
- Letter from Inverclyde Council notifying planned closure of Main Street Inverkip to allow the Queen Baton relay to proceed through safely. There were no objections to the plan. Discussion followed about visit to Wemyss Bay.

Action: Jean to reply to the church informing IWBCB has no plans for the Queens Baton Relay and will support their activities.

Action: Cllr Nelson to circulate information about the plans for the Queen's Baton visit through Wemyss Bay

8.0 Planning Matters

Hill Farm – Stewart Milne Group: Application to alter planning permission from 5 to 33 properties was considered at the Planning Committee on 4th June 2014. Tracy emailed Cllr Dorrian in agreement of 3 other community councillors with comments based on knowledge of residents' concerns. Cllr Nelson circulated papers to IWBCB before the meeting and informed that a site visit will take place on 3rd July 2014, expecting the application to be reconsidered at the August meeting. 2 residents in attendance stated their concerns about the plans and confirmed they have already submitted an objection to the application.

Action: Tracy to circulate link to Hill Farm planning application for all to consider and return with comments by 20th June 2014.

Action: Tracy to collate planning comments and submit to Inverclyde Council before the next planning meeting

Scroggy Bank (ref: 13/0306/IC) – all to review and liaise by email

9.0 Treasurer's Report

Robert provided a report for the meeting:

- Bank account balance: £1870.65 (net of expenses still to be paid: £35.86 internet provider; £214 Green Gym)

10.0 Inverkip Community Initiative

Eileen reported back from the last meeting:

- ICI website is in development
- Improved design – planning application expected to be made by autumn 2014 with ground breaking scheduled for early 2015.
- Eileen acknowledged that publicity is needed to allay residents' concerns about the absence of progress

Action: Eileen to email Bill on behalf of IWBCB requesting a press release about the progress of ICI

11. Date and time of next meeting:

Thursday 4th Septemeber 2014 in Inverkip Primary School at 7:00pm

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12.1 Wemyss Bay Facilities

David reported that the Council's quick response to a resident's request for benches for Wemyss Bay play park. David stated he hopes she is successful with her other requests.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:10 pm

APPENDIX 1

IWBCC ACTIONS SUMMARY – 5 JUNE 2014

ITEM	NEW ACTIONS FROM MINUTES 5.6.14	RESPONSIBLE		STATUS
6.1	Establish the status/ reinstatement of fencing at Millhouse Road/ Swallow Brae	Cllr Nelson		
6.1	Establish the condition of the repair to the pavement outside Inverkip Church	Cllr Nelson		
6.2	Request survey of the steps linking Community centre with the Bus Stop	Cllr Nelson		
6.2	Request survey of Lomond Road/ Ardgowan Road – condition of pavement	Cllr Nelson		
7.0	Jean to reply to the church informing IWBCC has no plans for the Queens Baton Relay and will support their activities.	JA		
7.0	Cllr Nelson to circulate information about the plans for the Queen's Baton visit through Wemyss Bay	Cllr Nelson		
10.0	Email Bill on behalf of IWBCC requesting a press release about the progress of ICI	EV		
	ACTIONS - FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES	RESPONSIBLE	UPDATE	STATUS
	Email Ardgowan Estate asking for cooperation to prevent flooding at Brueacre Junction/ Spey Road	TB	Network Rail and Savills have resisted responsibility. TB passed Ardgowan Estate's contact details to Network Rail (ref: 3957940). Update sent to M Lynch residents' association	Monitor and update the residents' assoc.
	Alison to consult Transport Scotland about parking at Wemyss Bay train station cottages	AC	AC to inform resident that no changes are being considered to Wemyss Bay Parking	Complete
	Email Inverclyde Leisure to request a fee waiver form and instructions to use new online booking system	JA	Jean was advised to expect an email from Inverclyde Leisure by the end of May 2014	Ongoing
	Email secretary of residents association and Stuart Jamieson, Head of Regeneration. & Planning about proposal to provide access to Finnockbog Road from Hill Farm playpark	EV	Eileen's email has been passed for the attention of the Planning Team	Monitor
	Eileen to reply to complainant	EV	Reply sent however further correspondence received.	Complete
	CC Members training requests	TB	Tracy to request attendance at the next IWBCC meeting	Ongoing
	Cullen Crescent notice board - opinion to be requested through the residents association	IR	Isobel to try phoning Stewart Milne requesting permission to locate noticeboard at Cullen Crescent .	Ongoing
	David will obtain quotes for notice-boards. (David will construct metal frames)	DA	DA to circulate quotes with the aim to have the noticeboards in place by September 2014	Ongoing
	Wemyss Bay Display Advertising	Cllr Rebecchi – complete	Cllr Rebecchi advises T Bryce should contact	Progressing

		New task for IWBC to contact T Bryce	owners and businesses with proposal to upgrade and maintain. JA to notify T Bryce about this	
	Find out Dr Campbell's availability to speak at public meeting in September. Contact Scottish Renewables& Save Clyde Muirsheill Park	EV/ CL		Ongoing
	Cllr Rebecchi to enquire about available options to improve the appearance of the former police station at Main Street, Inverkip	Cllr Rebecchi	Safer and Inclusive Communities carry out a site visit/ inspection – awaiting outcome	Progressing
	Jean to reply to resident suggesting Kip Marina resident contact the residents' association and Bett Homes requesting dog waste signage etc.	JA	Thanks were offered by the resident	Complete
	Cllr Dorrian agreed to progress ICE/ Inverkip Play-scheme grant with relevant officers	Cllr Dorrian	Approved	Complete
	Jean to contact Liz to arrange for the IWBC pc, printer, projector and screen to be passed to Cliff to hold for ICE to access.	JA	Arrangements are to be made by Cliff	Complete
	Eileen to contact the Scouts to arrange further conservation days at Daff Glen	EV	Dates requested from Scout leader	Progressing
	David to photograph entrance to Kishorn Road.	DA	No longer needed – area has been tidied	Complete
	Cliff to obtain the Inverkip Toddlers Group charity registration number to pass to Alison for the Sainsbury's branch manager for consideration.	CL/ AC	Application is in progress	Complete