

SCCC MEETING 8 November 2023**1. Present**

Alan Stewart, Cathy Fagan, Michael Breslin, Martin Anstess, Joyce McEwan, Linda Murry, Jan McCormack, Eleanor Stevenson

2. Apologies

Gill Judd, Cllrs Moreland and Hampsey, Ian McEwan, Liz Seabrook.

3. In attendance

Alistair Lennie, Cllr Forrest.

4. Declarations of interest.

None

5. Police report

This was noted with thanks.

6. Co-option of Alistair Lennie

The written notification had been issued on 16 October, proposed by Michael Breslin. The seconder was Alan Stewart. Alistair's co-option was agreed unanimously.

Minutes of last meeting held on 13 September 2023

These were proposed by Joyce and seconded by Jan.

7. Matters arising

- a. **War Memorial** The grass has been cut and stonework power washed.
- b. **Eleanor Lane** Ross had sent a report saying the contractor was working with the council after the heavy rainfall, hence the delay in starting.
- c. **Sewage Issues at Toward** MB updated the meeting on the position. EHO was not moving on the timescales he had set and Scottish Water has been chased for a progress report.
- d. **Funding for The Lido** Joyce updated the meeting on progress with the EPOS system which SCCC had helped to assist. Some local rumour to the effect The Lido was closing so communications needed to be improved to counter this. Ian's absence from the meeting was due to his work with The Lido.
- e. **Bakkafrost** They have been offered our December or January meeting dates, not confirmed yet.
- f. **Bus timetables** MB gave an update on the saga with the council and complaints made.

8. Treasurer's report

Joyce reported we have £7,006.02 in the bank inc the hydro funds. £6,500 of this is hydro funds still to be disbursed.

Planning issues

Email notifications for planning applications seem now to have stopped. Audrey will ask why.

Ferries Survey

All 11 community councillors had supported the proposal from Neil Kay. This was done by Survey Monkey between meetings and the result conveyed to Neil Kay.

Community Resilience

There was discussion on this and Eleanor pointed out that the community had come together very quickly over covid so to some extent having a written resilience plan may not be needed. However, Eleanor will have a look at this again to see if the current plan needs updated.

GP Relocation Project

The revised meeting date is 14 November between 1200 and 1800 in Dunoon Burgh Hall. Members were encouraged to attend. Parking was to be expanded. The general feeling seemed positive about the move.

9. Hydro Funds

MB updated the meeting on applications received to date. It was agreed to put a further advert in the local paper advertising the fund and to ask for some editorial to encourage applications. A 2nd application is likely from TSC.

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- 1 AS is now chair of Duthchas. Charitable status has been secured although HIE may wish to retain the land between the industrial estate and Lovers' Lane. An online survey is available to give support for the venture. See www.duthchasgrowing.org
- 2 Remembrance Sunday is this coming Sunday in Innellan and MA agreed to lay a wreath. Audrey will ask about the spotlight not working.
- 3 Dunfeurach hedge has still not been trimmed. Audrey to raise.
- 4 MB raised the state of the pavement on the south side of the Toward triangle, from Westland to the school. It badly needs maintained to remove the grass and weed growth and it needs resurfaced along the main road.
- 5 Bank of Scotland. Despite a healthy petition there is no progress as yet to stop its closure.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 13 December at 1930 in Innellan Hall.