

SCCC MEETING 13 September 2023**1. Present**

Alan Stewart, Cathy Fagan, Liz Seabrook, Michael Breslin, Martin Anstess, Joyce McEwan, Ian McEwan, Kyle Armstrong, Linda Murry, Cllrs Moreland and Hampsey.

2. Apologies

Cllr Forrest, Gill Judd, Eleanor Stevenson, Jan McCormack,

3. In attendance

Alistair Lennie.

4. Declarations of interest.

Joyce and Ian McEwen for items 10.3 and 10.4. Alan on 9.1 which will be raised by Michael.

5. Police report

This was noted with thanks.

6. Minutes of meeting held on 9 August 2023

Proposed by Martin, seconded by Joyce.

7. Matters arising

- 1 Not known if drain is fixed as yet.
- 2 The Cube is an enforcement investigation not an order.
- 3 Dental provision: MB outlined the ministerial reply to Donald Cameron, which appears to give a string incentive for someone to open and NHS practice locally.
- 4 War memorials: no update from councillors as yet.
- 5 £35k for Eleanor Lane has been allocated.
- 6 Oil drums have been removed.

8. Treasurer's report

Joyce reported we have £10,663.42 in the bank inc the hydro funds. This includes the current year's grant from Argyll & Bute Council.

9. Planning

- 1 Development north of Old Schoolhouse, Loch Striven. Agreed to object to this on the grounds of the scarcity of a water supply.
- 2 New church hall for Toward Church is to be welcomed.
- 3 Sewage issues at Toward were raised which may lead to a number of planning applications for septic tanks and treatment plant. Michael to discuss with council staff to give them the background to the issues.

10. Hydro Funds

- 1 The funds of £10k were noted as were the decisions taken at the last meeting.
- 2 Ian and Joyce McEwen left the room for the discussion on the funding application for The Lido.
- 3 It was agreed to treat The Lido as a priority application.
- 4 It was agreed to offer a grant of £2,500 towards the training costs, with any sums over this to be met by The Lido. The conditions were that a full breakdown of actual costs incurred would be submitted as soon as the training was complete, that anything unspent from the £2,500 would be refunded and that each quarter the management accounts would be submitted to SCCC, comprising a P&L and Balanced Sheet, once EPOS was operational.
- 5 An earmarked sum of £2k would be held for a defibrillator meantime.
- 6 Ian and Joyce re-joined the meeting.
- 7 It was agreed to advertise the balance of £4,500 to local groups and individuals and to use the amended paperwork as proposed.

11 Ardyne Fish Farm

The noise and light pollution issues were discussed at length. Alan requested some assistance from the council to remedy the issues and also proposed giving the operators an invitation to attend a future community council meeting to discuss the issues. Councillors will take the issues up with environmental health and planning departments. Bakka Frost will be invited to a future meeting of the community council.

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- 1 Change of signatories at the bank. Alan was agreed as a substitute for Eleanor.
- 2 Dunfeurach: hedge has not been cut again meaning people have to step off the pavement onto the road. Councillors to raise the issue.
- 3 Rats have again become an issue at McLellan Cottages.
- 4 Bus timetables: the non attendance, again, by the council's transport officer at Cowal Transport Forum was discussed. This was wholly unacceptable behaviour but was part of a culture stretching from this officer up the chain of command.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8 November at 1930 in Innellan Hall.