

SCCC MEETING 14 February 2024**1. Present**

Alan Stewart, Cathy Fagan, Alistair Lennie, Michael Breslin, Martin Anstess, Jan McCormack, Eleanor Stevenson, Liz Seabrook, Kyle Armstrong, Linda Murry

2. Apologies

Cllrs Forrest, Hampsey and Moreland, Gill Judd. (Joyce and Ian McEwan gave their apologies in a phone message towards the start of the meeting.)

3. In attendance

None

4. Declarations of interest.

None

5. Police report

No report was received. There was a discussion on vandalism, a broken window at McLellan Cottages. Despite the matter being reported to the police, the police did not attend. Cars had also been targeted. SCCC would like the police to attend the next meeting if possible.

6. Minutes of last meeting held on 10 January 2023

These were proposed by Alistair and seconded by Eleanor.

7. Matters arising

- a. Lights at Toward PS still off. Why are there so many external lights on the building now?
- b. The materials washed up on the shore as reported under AOCB. Council staff removed them which was excellent.

8. Minute of Sub Committee meeting held on 17 January

These were agreed by SCCC.

9. Treasurer's report

(Post meeting, Joyce gave the following: Balance is £1,775.82. Cheque to Innellan Bowling & Tennis Club for £900 has not been issued as yet as they have not confirmed they can do the project. Another cheque is still to be cashed for £400 so net balance is £475.82.)

10. Planning issues

- a. AirBnBs in Glen Striven: SCCC agreed to support the resident's case.
- b. Only one application of note, the demolition and rebuild of Seafield near Toward PS

11. Burnamakiman Hydro Rules Review

1 Alan proposed we identify around 6 people who would be the panel, and from whom we would select 3 minimum with no connection to that year's applicants. Suggestions were Joe Rhodes, the minister Evarista Musedza, Dr Brennan, Martin Donovan, (Vicky Walkingshaw). MB to make contact.

2 Michael proposed that to allow for bigger grants, the hydro funds would only be awarded every 2nd year.

3 A minimum of 5% of the fund will be set aside for applications for or on behalf of people with disabilities for appliances that cannot be sourced from the social work department.

MB to update rules on the basis of the above and circulate for final comment before publishing them on the website.

12. Ferry Lane and Persimmon Homes

Residents of Ferry Lane are concerned about maintenance of the lane which is the main access to their homes. They have all written to Persimmon but have been told it's the residents' problem, not Persimmon's. Council staff attended a recent flooding event and cleared the issue. Councillors for the ward are asked to see if council officers are able to support residents in the dispute.

13. Roads & Amenity Services

- a. **Buses and Bus timetables** Still no progress although a future amended CalMac timetable may allow changes to the bus timetable.
- b. **War Memorial** No major change to be reported.
- c. **Bus shelters** No progress as yet.
- d. **Wall at Royal Brae** Wall beyond Royal Bar shows cracking caused by tree roots and it may now be dangerous. **Railing and steps at south end need inspection.** Councillors to ask for this to be investigated.
- e. **Fallen Tree Toward Triangle** Land owned by farmer but council asked to get the footpath cleared.
- f. **Toward School speed signs** Still not working.
- g. **Dunfeurach Trees** Fallen branches lodged in other trees, road and footpath in some danger plus debris from fallen trees on shore side of the road. Councillors to report to officers please.
- h. **Eleanor Lane** Date now given for a start to the work.
- i. **Dog Fouling Signs** Members took some of the signs kindly supplied by the council.

14. AOCB

- a. **Sewage at Toward:** no update other than residents are again writing to Jenni Minto MSP
- b. **Runner with baby buggy:** concern was expressed at the dangers in the stretch between Toward PS and Toward Seaports Club.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 13 March 2024 at 1930