

## **South Cowal Community Council**

**Meeting held on Wednesday 11 March at 1830 in Innellan Village Hall**

**Present** Martin Anstess, Dot Braham, Michael Breslin, Gill Judd, Alistair Lennie, Lisa Marle, Joyce McEwan, Linda Payne, Eleanor Stevenson, Liz Seabrook.

**Apologies** Alan Stewart, Cllr Forrest.

**In attendance** Cllrs Anderson and Good. Linda Murry and Mary Fryer-Stevens were welcomed to the meeting.

### **Declarations of interest**

None

### **Police Report**

12 reported incidents, including 2 crimes. Rural Watch signs and flashing speed signs not here yet.

### **Minutes of last meeting held on 12 February 2020**

Approved by Alistair Lennie and seconded by Joyce McEwan

### **Matters arising not on the agenda**

- Christmas Lights monies have still not been paid but Cllr Anderson reported that a new payment instruction has now been issued.
- Star Garage works now seem to be completed.
- VE Day: proposal is to have a fancy dress parade for children and a meal or barbecue for others. Car Park would need to be closed for a couple of hours for the parade.
- Community Council mid term elections are due soon so this will be advertised on the Facebook page.

### **Burnamakiman Hydro Community Benefit**

A sub committee was convened to consider the grant applications on Monday 24 February 2020.

Present were Eleanor Stevenson, Michael Breslin, Lisa Marle, Liz Seabrook, Martin Anstess, Gill Judd, Kyle Armstrong and Alistair Lennie, all members for SCCC. There

were 2 non SCCC members of the sub committee present, Janet McCormack and Ian McEwan.

It was agreed that, after discussion, applications would be voted on but anyone with any interest in any application could not vote. In addition, it was agreed that in the event of a tied vote the views of the independent members would hold sway.

The outcome was as follows:

Applicant	What For	Awarded
Innellan Bowling and Tennis Club	Perimeter fence repairs round tennis court	£ 700
Cowal Beekeepers Association	Equipment	£ 500
Toward Sailing Club	Dingy Covers	£ 480
Hungry Diggers	Equipment	£ 154
Innellan Golf Club	Erection of weather proof porch	£ 500
Ellie Judd	Girl Guide trip to Canada	£ 100
Guys n Dolls	Equipment	£ 300
		<b>£ 2,734</b>
	<b>Budget</b>	£ 2,734

The above note of the sub committee meeting was ratified by the full community council. The conditions of grant which were provided with the cheques are shown below.

- 1 The funds must be spent solely for the purposes stated in your application.
- 2 South Cowal Community Council should get a report on your use of the funds after they have been spent or, at the latest, by end November 2020.
- 3 The report should be brief and include the following:
  - a. What you spent the money on.
  - b. What other funds you used to complete the project if the community benefit funds did not cover 100% of the costs.
  - c. If the project is not completed at the time of your report, please say when it will be.
  - d. Optionally, the community council would be pleased to hear of any suggestions you may have on how the funds are distributed.
- 4 Please send your report to the secretary, Michael Breslin, at [michael@breslin.scot](mailto:michael@breslin.scot)

## Constitution

As discussed previously, there may be additional sources of community benefit fund if 2 wind farms are approved, one at Fairlie and the other at Ardtaraig. For SCCC to distribute funds there would need to be another amendment to the constitution and it was agreed that Eleanor and Michael will liaise with Melissa at Argyll & Bute Council to get this change moving.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Joyce reported that there was a balance of £7150 in the account less the payments outlined above for the community benefit.

## **Planning Matters**

None of note.

### **Innellan Pier Car Park (standing item)**

There was discussion on the Traffic Reg Order and the state of the sea wall. There is no progress to note other than it is assumed the TRO still applied and the council has committed to do the sea wall works

There was discussion on Newton Park pavements and dumping at Toward Lighthouse.

### **War Memorial (standing item)**

A meeting with council officers was held to discuss maintenance of this site and Eleanor now has a draft agreement which will be circulated to all members and councillors for consideration.

## **Dog Fouling**

There was discussion on the Fife Council scheme which encouraged people to report owners of dogs that fouled pavements etc. After discussion on the areas affected in South Cowal Eleanor offered to put out more of the Inspiring Innellan signs.

## **Neighbourhood Watch and Corona Virus**

This advice from Neighbourhood Watch has been put on our Facebook page. There was discussion about how best to pass on advice to the most vulnerable people including the elderly.

## **AOCB**

- Drainage issues adjacent to Innellan PS and Knockamillie were raised again. Councillors to action.
- Lights at Toward PS