

DUNURE COMMUNITY COUNCIL - MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN KENNEDY HALL ON TUESDAY 15 MAY 2018 @ 7.00pm www.dunure.net

PRESENT:

Alex Gibson	Chairperson
Steve Izatt	Member
Janey McCreath	Member
Ronnie Auld	Member
lain Campbell	Scottish Conservative & Unionist Councillor
Lewis Johnstone	Police Scotland
Samantha Briggs	Police Scotland
Abigail Coia	Ayrshire & Arran Tourism
Bill McKinlay	South Ayrshire Paths Initiative (SAPI)
Clive Drummond	South Ayrshire Paths Initiative (SAPI)

APOLOGIES:

Andy Guthrie	Vice-Chairperson & Secretary
Roy Storie	Treasurer
Angus Craig	Member
Colette McGarva	SAC Community Engagement Officer

1. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The Minutes of the previous Meeting (17 Apr 2018) were approved.

2. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Alex read-out a statement he had prepared on the performance and achievements of the Community Council over the past year, and thanked the Members, Councillor, Community Engagement Officer, Police Scotland, and all other stakeholders for their contributions. Alex commended the efforts of certain local children in successfully obtaining funding for the Coastal Rowing & Sea Kayaking Initiative.

A copy of the statement will be attached to the next Minutes of Meeting.

The following persons were proposed and seconded for the year ahead:

Chairperson	Alex Gibson	-
Vice-Chair	Andy Guthrie	In absentia
Treasurer	Roy Storie	In absentia. It was acknowledged that Roy has been a Member of the Community Council for over 30 years, and has for some time also acted as Treasurer. It is only fair that we find another volunteer willing to take-up the role of Treasurer. Ronnie will ask his wife (Moyra) if she is able to join us.
Member	Steve Izatt	Steve noted that he will continue to assist Andy with the secretarial duties.
Member	Angus Craig	In absentia
Member	Janey McCreath	-
Member	Ronnie Auld	-

We continue to hope that other local residents will step-forward and join the Community Council; volunteer their free-time; and help make this Community a better place.

3. POLICE REPORT:

Lewis and Samantha noted there were 14 Incidents (i.e. calls to Police) occurring within the Community Boundary between 18 Apr 2018 – 15 May 2018, comprising various false calls, duplicate calls, information, planned shoots, and road-traffic incidents.

Cars parking on double yellow lines along Castle View is becoming an issue on busy weekends as the Pub is now charging for car-parking. In the short term, the Police Officers recommended this matter is taken up with SAC Traffic Wardens. In the longer term, we hope to install Signs directing vehicles to plentiful car parking within Kennedy Park.

Drones flying over private properties was raised. The Police Officers advised this was not appropriate without permission, and residents should call the Police in the first instance.

lain sought clarification on potential theft of the contents of Lobster Pots.

The Police Officers were thanked for their attendance and left the Meeting at this point.

4. COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

- (a) Iain noted that Pot Holes are being fixed on an ad-hoc basis, and he will continue to press ARA on this.
- (b) Iain advised that additional Litter Bins would be placed in the Lay-Bys at the top of the hill on the way to Dunure Mains. Angus had previously raised concerns on the amount of "fly-tipping" at these locations.
- (c) Steve noted that a combined General Waste & Dog Litter Bin was now installed at the Scottish Water Plant on Station Road.
- (d) lain noted that funding had been obtained for creation of a new path leading from Kennedy Park to the Harbour. Further details to follow.
- (e) Iain introduced Abigail Coia, who updated us on the installation of new brown "tourism" Signs to increase awareness of the Village. An initial 10 Signs will be installed.

Janey was asked to provide data on visitor numbers to Kennedy Park, to assist with obtaining accreditation from Visit Scotland.

Steve offered to carry-out a Survey of all Signs located within the Village to ensure a cohesive solution was developed.

- (f) Iain will investigate Funding for potential illumination of the Castle.
- (g) Iain noted that a new Anti-Bullying Initiative called "Spring Back", based in Girvan, has been launched. Details here:

http://www.southayrshirelife.org/organisationpage.php?o=SpringBack(SurvivetheBullies)&id=78

5. LINK OFFICER'S REPORT:

No Link Officer's Report.

Colette can update us on the various items she was progressing, at the next Meeting.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Our financial position is:

(a) the Working Fund (Bank Account 00584730) has £9,799.65.

The dominant part of this is the cheque (£9,082) received from the PAR Event held in March 2018 towards purchase of a Rowing Boat (St. Ayles Skiff).

(b) the Community Hall Fund (Bank Account 00584765) has £3,145.

7. CORRESPONDENCE:

Not discussed in detail. Relevant emails are regularly distributed by Andy.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS & DECISIONS:

Not discussed in detail. SAC Weekly and Monthly Planning Applications & Decisions are regularly circulated by Andy and are available for inspection online here:

http://publicaccess.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=weeklyList

9. MATTERS ARISING / ANY OTHER BUSINESS (in no particular order):

(a) PAR Funding 1 (Kayaks) £3,514.

8 Kayaks have been purchased, and Alex has completed and submitted the NCCBC Evaluation Form. This matter is closed.

(b) Use of Kayaks.

Steve noted that word has quickly spread around the Village on the Kayaks, and that several local children had requested to use them. We need to agree on the terms of their usage. Steve will prepare a set of "Rules" for discussion at the next Meeting. Ideally these Rules will be in-place by the start of the school summer holidays so that children (and adults) can obtain maximum benefit of the Kayaks.

(c) PAR Funding 2 (Rowing Boat (St. Ayles Skiff)) £9,082.

This money must be used by 31 March 2019. We cannot place an order until the new Store has been constructed. Volunteers from within the Community will be required to build the Rowing Boat, which is estimated to take up to six months. Purchase of a second-hand (ready-made) Skiff may be an option. Steve received an email from Mike Gilbert with costs of available boats. It was agreed to defer further discussion on this item to a future meeting.

(d) Construction of New Boat Shed.

Iain (and Tom Burns) provided an update on progress. Drawings have been prepared. Planning Approval has been obtained. The Project is out to Tender. And construction will shortly commence. The Members thanked Iain and Tom for their efforts.

Note: When the new Boat Shed has been constructed, it will form a part of the existing Lease Agreement between SAC and the Kennedy Hall & Park Committee. But an Amendment will be required to recognise demolition of the old Store and construction of the new Boat Shed. The custodian of the new Boat Shed will be the Kennedy Hall & Park Committee, though the Community Council shall be provided access.

(e) Gala Day

The Kennedy Hall & Park Committee is hosting the annual Gala Day on 11 August 2018. We are keen to help promote and assist with this event. Dependent on weather conditions, we may arrange a Kayaking Activity.

(f) Dunure Festival of the Sea.

Dunure Harbour Committee Association Ltd. is hosting another Festival on 25 August 2018. We are keen to help promote and assist with this event.

(g) Annual General Meeting of Dunure Harbour Committee Association Ltd.

Alex noted he will attend this and update their members on the status of the "Coastal Rowing & Sea Kayaking Initiative". We will seek their support with unrestricted (and free-of-charge) usage of the Slip, and with volunteers to build the Rowing Boat.

(h) Damage to Notice Board in Kennedy Drive.

Steve noted that someone has smashed the glass in the Notice Board. As the Notice Board cost £3,500, it seems likely that the cost of repair will be significant. It has been superficially repaired meantime. Steve will obtain a Quote for proper repair and will attempt to investigate whether our Insurance Cover extends to include this.

(i) Notice Board at Harbour.

Steve noted this is in a terrible condition and will not last much longer. Unfortunately, we do not have £3,500 for a new Notice Board. A funding application may be made. Iain may be able to assist by including this in the new "Signage" Initiative.

(j) Damage to Phone Kiosk.

Steve noted this has been vandalised, and will send a note to BT for repair.

(k) New (NCCBC-led) Community Action Plans.

Terms of Reference have been prepared to source and appoint a Consultant to lead consultations within each Community. In due course, we will provide details of all community groups and assist (if necessary) in facilitating public meetings.

(I) Defibrillator.

Marc McCrindle has raised funds in honour of his late mother for the installation of a Community Defibrillator which shall be installed on a lamp-post next to the Community Notice Board at the Bus Terminus on Kennedy Drive. Iain has discussed installation and operation costs with SAC Representatives.

(m) Community Hall Fund.

It was agreed to donate our £3,145 to the Kennedy Hall & Park Committee to be used for refurbishment of the Community Hall. Roy to arrange a cheque.

(n) Viewfinder in Kennedy Park.

Ronnie noted this is overgrown and inaccessible. Steve will strim and clear this path.

(o) Sea Cadets.

lain noted that the Ayr Sea Cadets are looking for a new Hub. There may be some synergies between them and our Coastal Rowing & Sea Kayaking Initiative. Steve will contact Kenny Bell to discuss.

(p) Kennedy Hall Windows Replacement.

lain offered to assist Janey with an appeal being submitted to SAC Planning regarding UPVC replacement windows.

(q) South Ayrshire Paths Initiative (SAPI).

Bill McKinlay and Clive Drummond attended our Meeting and provided an update on "The Culzean Way". The Community supports this Initiative and will assist in any way we can. Steve will update our Website to recognise this and provide further details.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The Meeting ended at 9.00pm, with a note of thanks to the Chairperson.

The next Meeting will be held on 19 June 2018 at the usual time of 7.30pm.

Steve will issue a reminder nearer the time.