

**DUNURE COMMUNITY COUNCIL - MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD IN KENNEDY HALL ON TUESDAY 17 APR 2018 @ 7.30pm**

PRESENT:

Alex Gibson	Chairperson
Roy Storie	Treasurer
Steve Izatt	Member
Angus Craig	Member
Ronnie Auld	Member
Colette McGarva	SAC Community Engagement Officer
Iain Campbell	Scottish Conservative & Unionist Councillor
James Jamieson	Police Scotland
Graeme Gordon	Police Scotland
Marc McCrindle	Member of Public

APOLOGIES:

Andy Guthrie	Vice-Chairperson & Secretary
Janey McCreath	Member

1. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The Minutes of the previous Meeting (20 Mar 2018) were approved.

2. POLICE REPORT:

James and Graeme noted there were 8 Incidents (i.e. calls to Police) occurring within the Community Boundary between 20 Mar 2018 – 17 Apr 2018, comprising various false calls, duplicate calls, information, and non-attendance road-traffic incidents. One Crime Report was raised in respect of Anti-Social (Threatening or Abusive) Behaviour in Kennedy Drive.

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

3. COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

(a) Iain noted that Councillors had recently returned from Recess.

- (b) Iain advised that Funding had been obtained for creation of a new path leading from Kennedy Park to the Harbour. Further details to follow.
- (c) Iain has a meeting this week with SAC Representatives on the installation of “tourism” Signs to increase awareness of the Village.
- (d) Iain will investigate Funding for potential illumination of the Castle.

4. LINK OFFICER’S REPORT:

- (a) Colette noted that more organisational change was occurring within SAC, and this would impact the Community Engagement Service. Further details to follow.
- (b) Colette was asked to follow-up with ARA on the poor and overgrown condition of three pedestrian lanes connecting Kennedy Drive with Carrick Place.
- (c) Colette was also asked to follow-up with ARA on the blocked drains in Kennedy Drive and in Station Road. It was noted that these items had been “logged” on ARA System.
- (d) Steve asked Colette to follow-up with SAC Waste Management on the installation of a dog-litter bin on Station Road.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Roy advised our financial position is:

- (a) the Working Fund (Bank Account 00584730) has £9,800.

Note: 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.

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

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

7. 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>

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

- (a) PAR Funding 1 (Kayaks) £3,514.

This money had to be used by 31 March 2018; and so we had no option but to proceed with ordering the Kayaks ahead of construction of the new Store. Steve obtained a Quotation for 8 x Single-Seat Sit-On-Top Kayaks, with Paddles, PFD’s and Helmets. All Members agreed to proceed. Alex will complete the NCCBC Evaluation Form.

(b) 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 6 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.

(c) Construction of New Store.

Steve noted he has been dialoguing with SAC Representatives on construction of the new Store, but little progress is being made. We have still not received a copy of the Drawings, or the Pre-Planning Application. This matter is taking too long. There is no sense of urgency. It is preventing us from storing Kayaks and purchasing the Rowing Boat. Iain will follow-up on this matter with relevant SAC Representatives.

(d) 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.

(e) 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.

(f) Annual General Meeting.

To be held on 15 May 2018 at 7.00pm.

(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 "Rowing & Kayaking Initiative". Sadly, the new Store will not be constructed at the Harbour. A copy of the letter received from DHCA is attached to these Minutes. However, we will still seek their support with unrestricted (and free-of-charge) usage of the Slipway, 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.

(j) 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.

Steve queried the status of the existing SAC-led Community Action Plan (2014-2019), and whether it is redundant. Steve also noted that the consultation to be undertaken by the appointed Consultant may likely yield the same results as previous.

(k) Defibrillators.

Marc has raised funds in honour of his late mother for the installation of a Community Defibrillator to be placed in a central location. It would seem that the optimal place is at the Bus Terminus located on Kennedy Drive. Marc and Iain will meet with SAC Representatives to review installation process, timeframe and costs. The Community Council will assist in any way we can.

(l) Community Hall Fund.

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

(m) New Representation on NCCBC.

Alex will send a character reference to NCCBC on Timothy Donaldson.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The Meeting ended at 8.45pm, with a note of thanks to the Chairperson.

The next Meeting will be held on 15 May 2018 at the earlier time of 7.00pm.

Steve will issue a reminder nearer the time.

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30 May 2017.

Dear Steve,

Coastal Rowing/Sea Kayaking Initiative

You will recall I recently attended a Community Council meeting following which you copied to me correspondence with South Ayrshire Council on the provision of a replacement store in Dunure (on DHCA Ltd. ground), including the outcome of a meeting in March with Mr Tom Burns, Asset Manager, SAC.

When it then met, the Harbour Committee was surprised and dismayed at the detail of assumptions, statements and assurances in the correspondence – sent to, and clearly discussed with Mr Burns – but all without any proper or formal involvement of DHCA Ltd.

Nevertheless, we still wish to support the Coastal Rowing/Sea Kayaking Initiative.

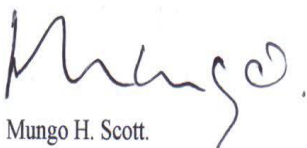
However, the Harbour Committee is concerned that the footprint size of the proposed replacement store – even without any safety boat/trailer or other parking – will significantly compromise the harbour area available for boat storage and maintenance: facilities which the Harbour Committee is committed to expanding, primarily and necessary to boost its income stream.

After careful thought therefore, the Committee suggests that the replacement store is sited on the vacant ground to the north side of the harbour. That ground is sizeable in area, close to services, and still near the slipway. This proposal has the added advantage that one of your Community Council members, Mr Angus Craig, has ownership interest.

It is clear that much detail on the terms of providing the replacement store is still to be negotiated and settled with South Ayrshire Council; DHCA Ltd will assist as far as possible with that process. And in the future it will also look favourably on concessions to the rowing and kayaking group(s) – for example on launching fees, safety boat berthing etc.

If there are points which the Community Council wish to discuss with the Harbour Committee, I know you will contact me.

Yours sincerely



Mungo H. Scott.

Secretary, DHCA Ltd.