

Draft Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 3rd December 2019 in Ardrishaig Public Hall

Present:

Mary MacCallum Sullivan(MMS)Convener K MacVicar (KMcV) Vice-Convener Neil-John MacLean (NJ) Ron Bowe (RB) L MacVicar (LMcV) F MacFarlane (FMcF) D Inglis (DI) Cllr D MacMillan (DM) Cllr Taylor (ST) Catherine Bowe (CB) Secretary

Apologies: Arthur Barclay (AB)

2. Notes of Previous Meeting:

The Notes were agreed – proposed by NJ and seconded by MMS

3. Matters arising:

9.1 Gorse trimming still not completed

8.2 The welder who repaired TOMMY for Armistice Sunday is prepared to fill in the silhouette – as Tarbet Tommy. NJ will remove Tommy from the Memorial before Christmas and the rough weather sets in.

4. Police Report: PC Alistair Morrison

- 44 calls from 1/10/19
- 2 sudden deaths in area
- Car crash on towpath enquiries continuing
- Drugs seized from passing traffic but no dealing in Ardrishaig
- Drink driving
- Dog attack on owner and plastic surgery required
- Road accidents on Tarbert road mainly tourists
- Lochgilphead Police station is now closed from 6.00pm 7.00 am. Oban is main custody centre for the area
- Bank fraud is increasing but banks are being more co-operative with police

5. A & B District Councillor:

- Pippa Milne will take up her new executive post in the New Year
- Local regeneration projects coastal communities grants available
- ABC Budget will have even less money to work with than in the past owing to further cuts

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6. Planning and Regeneration:

6.1 **North Hall** will be closing for regeneration on 9/12/19 for 6 - 8 weeks.

Public Hall will be closing for 6 - 7 months at the end of January 2020. No Grants have been received for this work and it is funded by the money earned from the Ardrishaig's wind turbine. MMS congratulated and thanked ACT Directors for their hard work in raising this money for the benefit of the village.

6.2 **KGV Playing Field Fence:** MMS and Cllr Philand will meet with Julian Greene (ABC) on 5/12/19 to discuss what to do with the fence owing to it not reaching Council standards. The fence has already cost ACT £10,000 to erect and there is no money left in the coffers to dismantle it and re-erect. Also, ACC is not funded for such work. Questions to be asked are:

- Is it dangerous?
- Can it be left in situ until we have funds?
- If it must be removed where can the materials be stored?

MMS will report back to next meeting.

6.3 Ardrishaig North Public Realm Improvements: Awaiting new plans

7. Scottish Canals:

Work is ongoing in relation to the pontoon and it is hoped it will be in place before early summer.

8. Events:

ACT are organising "lights on" on December 7th.

9.AOB:

Complaint of incorrect signs at some roadworks on A83.

Next Meeting of the Community Council will be held in the Egg Shed at 7.30 pm Tuesday 4th February 2020