

## Mull Community Council

### Meeting held at An Roth, Craignure, on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2017.

**Present:** Billy McClymont, Steve Willis, Fiona Brown, Jane Stevens, Cameron Anson, David Pollard, Rory Forrester and Joanne MacDougall.

**In attendance:** PC Dominic Grierson and Jenny Reddaway.

**Apologies:** Willie Hume, Susan Campbell, Allan Cameron, Jim Corbett and Mary-Jean Devon.

#### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes for the previous on 11<sup>th</sup> April were proposed by CA and seconded by DP, subject to the correction of a typographical error, giving the full name of the IJT and including Ronnie Campbell's name in full rather than initials.

#### **MATTERS ARISING**

- DP pointed out that the question of using Skype wasn't on the agenda for this meeting.
- SW raised the question of screening at the bus depot and that there were three caravans on the site. The matter was currently stalled and SW to follow up.
- FB, referring to an email circulated by WH, asked whether the bins at Craignure could not be moved to the old pier. BM advised that no-one had wanted the bins there and it was on Chris James' land. It was suggested that it would do no harm to ask Mr James and SW agreed to do this.

#### **POLICE REPORT 11/04/17 – 08/05/17 - PC Dominic Grierson**

Crimes/Offences that have occurred in community area since last meeting	For period 11/04/17 – 08/05/17 Total number of incidents recorded = 48  Crimes / Incidents of note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>LB30 – Tobermory area:</u>  Male reported for drunk-driving.  Report of vandalism (enquiries ongoing)  Report of assault (male reported).</li><li>• <u>LB31 – Craignure area:</u>  Male reported for drunk-driving (guilty plea -fined £500 and banned from driving for 32 months).</li><li>• <u>LB33 – Salen area:</u> No incidents of note.</li></ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>LB34 – Buessan area</u>: No incidents of note</li> </ul>
Updates on any actions from previous meetings	Tobermory area: Male reported for assault.
Incidents of note or crime trends	Divisional priorities remain as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public Protection</li> <li>- Serious Crime &amp; Terrorism</li> <li>- Violence, Disorder &amp; Antisocial behaviour</li> <li>- Road Policing</li> </ul>
Forthcoming events	

DG, responding to a question by BM, advised that the vandalism and assault in Tobermory were related to the Music Festival.

#### **CRAIGNURE LORRY PARK**

- Both BM and SW reported that nothing had been done, despite the Council having agreed that the lorry park would be cleared and the island taken away. It was agreed that the Community Council should write again asking Argyll & Bute Council to act urgently on what had been previously agreed.

#### **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.**

- No Councillors were present.
- BM, on behalf of the Community Council, thanked Alistair MacDougall for the efforts he had put in over the years on behalf of Mull and sent him all good wishes for the future. It was noted that Alistair had helped set up the Community Council and had attended the very first Community Council meeting.
- BM offered the congratulations of the Community Council to Mary-Jean Devon on her success.
- BM asked David Pollard, who had been unsuccessful about his experience and DP responded that he had enjoyed it.

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- JS asked about the ferry queue situation. BM advised that these were not as severe as last year at the moment because of a change in the timetable. SW pointed out that a solution was still required and BM suggested that a simple filter lane could work. BM also suggested that another option might be to build out into the bay.

- BM suggested that the Community Council should put together a wish list of issues that it should focus on and asked that each member should select one issue to put forward as that way the whole of Mull would be covered.
- CA advised that the generators in the free car park in Fionnphort were taking up half the car park and were in use; he felt that something needed to be sorted quickly. FB considered this must present a noise nuisance.
- JM reported that it had been necessary to call the Police to cone off four spaces by the recycling bins to all access.
- RF advised that there would be a meeting of the Patient Participation Group in Salen on 12<sup>th</sup> June as there is great concern about the potential move. It was noted that the windows of Salen Surgery were being repaired.
- RF also raised the issue of drop-offs at passing places with people going over the edge.
- DP reported problems at the houses by Aros Bridge caused by large camper vans driving up the road and having problems turning. It was thought that part of the problem was that these houses have the same post code as the campsite at Crannich. DP suggested that a 6m sign be erected at the start of the road past the houses.
- On the matter of pier dues, DP considered that, as MJD was the only island-based Councillor, the Community Council needed to be more pro-active.
- DP also reported that, on his way to Bunessan and Fionnphort, he had encountered two timber lorries with trailers travelling nose to tail. SW added that he too had had this experience, BM suggested writing to Neil Stoddart as it was clear two such large vehicles in convoy could not fit into passing places.
- SW gave an update on Knock Bridge. One side had been done and the other side was nearly finished. It was hoped that the drilling work could start the weekend following the meeting. It was suggested that the "road closed" sign should be moved to the Church where it is easier for vehicles to turn and it was noted that there was a sign at Kinloch.
- SW reported he had written to the four Councillors for our Ward about Tilhill wishing to remove the timber roadside at Tiroran, the fact that £250,000 had been invested to obtain a vehicle that could spread the load on the road surface and the problem that A&BC do not wish to discuss the matter. This to be raised with MJD.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 7pm.**