



Sandbank Community Council
Minutes of Meeting on 15th January 2019
Sandbank Village Hall

Present

Convenor; Sue McKillop (SM), Secretary; Fiona Gault (FG), Eric Large (EL), Fiona Stewart (FS), Mhairi Craig (MC)Iain McNaughton (IM) Michelle Sweeney (MS), Jean Maskell (JM), Nicola Gault (NG)

Members of Public

Councillor Allan Reid (AR), Robert Diamond, Judith Moen, Mr & Mrs Gault

1. Apologies

Tom McKillop (TM), Pauline Seale (PS)

2. Police Report

PC Mitchell reported that there had been 21 incidents and 9 crime reports. Most of these were of a family nature and none were of public concern.

Declarations of Interest

None

3. Minutes of Meeting and Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

Agreed without amendment.

Proposer : **IM** Seconder : **EL**

4. Treasurers Report

The accounts have been checked and signed off by P.Galliard with letter. Accounts have been approved for Argyll and Bute Council.

01.04.18		
Balance B/F		4452.07
50/50 club	81.00	
Sandbank Church Heritage Donation	100.00	
Curries	150.00	
Sandbank Marina (Fireworks)	100.00	431.00
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Web Site Renewal	103.75	
Leaflets	60.00	
Information Commissioners Office	35.00	
Accountability	175.00	
Bench	720.00	
Sam Way	100.00	
Room hire for meetings	120.00	
Wreaths	65.60	1379.35
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21.12.18 Balance at bank 3503.72

OUTSTANDING

Money from Dev trust towards bench	360.00
Wreath money from Dev trust	32.80
We owe the SCDT for fireworks	-516.50
Robert Diamond Present	-47.00

5. Councillor's Report

The Council is due to set its Budget for 2019-20 on 21 February. The outlook is grim. In their Budget statement, the Scottish Government reduced the grant they give the Council to carry out its existing functions - resulting in the Council having a budget gap of £9million. This is the difference between the money the Council has to spend and the cost of maintaining existing services.

Increasing the Council Tax by 3%, a proposed increase in fees and charges and cuts already announced by the Council will reduce the Budget gap to £5million. However this means, unless the Scottish Government announces more money for the Council before the Budget, a great deal of cuts in services will need to be made.

The Supporting Communities Fund is open for applications for grants of up to £2,500 from voluntary and community groups, including community councils. The closing date is 6 February. An application form can be downloaded at <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-and-government/third-sector-grants>

The Roads Department carried out a speed survey at the Wee Butcher's over four days in July. The results were

DATE	VOLUME	AVERAGE
Wed 25th July	4156	43mph
Thur 26th July	4229	42mph
Fri 27th July	4216	42mph
Sat 28th July	3760	42mph

The Roads Department are now discussing with the Police a proposed 40mph limit on the stretch of the road between the two 40mph limits.

6. Convenors Report

SCC Meeting Convenors Report 15 Jan 2019.

We talked about joining ACT at the last meeting and an opportunity came to join for free which I did in the month of Dec 18 saving us £30. I haven't really looked into it much to be honest since joining but it is something I will do.

A&B funding; I asked by email, if there was any objections to me applying for funding for adult exercise equipment, again something we have talked about often but have never got around to doing much else. If everyone is in agreement I will apply, the application needs to be in by 6th Feb.

Alison Downs has invited the CC to visit the marina and the suggestion was the early part of Feb. Can we make a date now and I can let her know. This is all part of the working together with the community something that came about from mediation meeting between them and the SCC and the Trust last year.



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I have emailed John Gilchrist from the Community Service A&B to ask if they will do a beach clean at Broxwood. Is there any other part of the shore that also needs to be done? I know the school, Sandbank, were keen to help but at the top of the loch the debris is quite large, too big for children to lift and too big for bags.

I emailed Joanne from the Village Hall Trust and Peter from our Trust about the notice board at the hall. It is quite dangerous as the hinges have gone and plus the padlocks are rusted as well. Hence the reason that the minutes aren't in it. I did put them in the hall and they are on the website and I put up notices about the meeting in the pubs and shop.

I thought we could share the cost of replacing parts or the whole thing and making it much more usable for everyone by doing away with the padlocks which are a pest.

No response from Peter but Joanne says she will speak to the Board at the end of the month meeting.

Can we get a vote on putting one at Rankins Brae or Ardnadam as they are likely to be seen by more people and they could be used by the public also?

We need to check the Emergency bag and update the list of people willing to help in a crisis as some will have moved or no longer be able to assist the way the originally thought they could.

Also late 2017 we spoke about entering Keep Scotland Beautiful. We seem to be the only village in the area not doing this so it would be good to have a go.

We can ask people on FB if they would like to help and see what response we get...is that agreeable to everyone?

I had a message on the SC fb page from Kirsty who helps with the Cubs about taking one or two of the planters over. I have asked for a meeting with her to find out what they are thinking about doing, as Beavers did it a couple of years ago but seemed to lose interest and didn't let us know.

The school also talked to us about planters and painting benches so I will contact Mr Houston and see if that is still the case.

Broxwood Picnic Area; We were applying for Awards 4 All before the SCC folded to put in new drainage, level it off and replace / repair bbqs and benches. Is everyone happy that goes ahead and I get fresh quotes and start the application.

50/50 here is a copy of the letter Bill and I wrote and it was delivered to most of the village. Any suggestions on how we improve it if it's needed and ideas on it'd delivery.

Lastly Torlochan: We have heard no more about this so I cannot give you a progress report sorry.

Sue Mckillop Convenor.

7. Local and Area Planning



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8. Any Other Business

MS – Webhelp have offered help for the community with Time, health and wellbeing. **MS** will pass on **SM** email. **AR** will speak to the traffic warden regarding the parking situation at Mears. **MC** has enquired about brighter bins to make them easier to see. **FS** mentioned that there is no grit available at the bottom of Massan View and Robertson Terrace. When the roads are icy it is impossible to get up to vulnerable people in this area. It was also noted that the path between Queens Road and the primary school is needing cleaned again and the Burn at the top of the field is needing attention. **SM** will contact John Gilchrist from the Community Service A&B regarding this.

10. Public Questions

None

13. Date of the next meeting

19th February 2019 7pm Sandbank Village Hall

Fiona Gault 20th November 2018