



Sandbank Community Council
Minutes of Meeting 20th May 2014
Sandbank Village Hall

Present

Convenor; Chris Talbot (CT), Vice Convenor; Sue McKillop (SM), Secretary; Rhona Altin (RA), Treasurer; Bill Rankin (BR), Margaret Hill (MH), Tom McKillop (TM), Councillor Bruce Marshall (BM), Stephanie Auld (SA), Jacqueline McCombe (JM), Iain MacNaughton (IM), Cllr Gordon Blair (GB)

Members of Public

David Honer, Judith Moen, Mr & Mrs Whitham, Robert Diamond, Arthur Oliver

1. Apologies

Sandra Clarke

2. Declarations of interest

CT on McKinlay's Quay

3. Minutes of meeting on 15th April 2014 and matters arising

- Possible agreement or arrangement for maintenance/cleaning of public toilets. RA spoke to David Rennie (Social Enterprise Fund ABC) who thinks a meeting with various interested groups to discuss way forward to improve all our village amenities ie: grass cutting, toilets, play park, empty buildings/land and allotment possibilities would be beneficial. **Action - Separate meeting date to be arranged for August - RA**
- TM to discuss lighting at Rankins Brae for clock/Christmas lights and to purchase Christmas lights **Action TM to follow up - ongoing**
- Maps for emergency plan. **Action - IM to ask for maps for emergency plan**
- Tidy up yard at Broxwood as entrance to National Park. **Cllr GB** – SCC think about what they would like to see there.
- Bachan Burn meeting last night- PNE don't want to attend meeting on 9th June. Cllr BM mentioned another meeting on 29th for anyone who wants to know more about the community benefit.
- Minutes proposed by **SM** and **TM** seconded.

4. Police Report

PC Donald MacKay reported 26 incidents - vandalism at Finbracken, several disturbances, 1 domestic, 7 arrests, speeding at Mckinlays Quay and Shore Rd. The National Metal Initiative has been launched which was mentioned in last month minutes

Armed response is now used to respond to regular calls. Discussion and questions followed this.

5. Colin Moulson PA23 BID

Talked about challenges of location and purpose of bid scheme over 5yr period. Opposition to bid locally and some enthusiasm. Reinvent Dunoon and wider area for leisure visits - main role. Compelling reason is not there to come to Dunoon. First 6 months strategies to reinvent – natural assets not marketed properly, outdoor pursuits – cycling. Need to progress in next 9 months. Pathways in East Bay and West Bay linking in with Queens Hall and Chord Project.....have events also spring to autumn. Balance right between keeping town clean and tidy and council responsibility.

America event perhaps in Ardnadam car park on 5th July– American association are interested. Problem with timescale and location

Looking at brand new events and additionality. Cllr BM asked about shops in town – need painted, Money in bid to use funds equitably. First come first served basis.

IM stated funding for cycling and forestry funding. ABC Kilmun etc to be allowed use for cycling



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Public toilets broached and Rose Garden will not be reopened

CT push to put local groups in charge of toilets. Wind farm funding may help. Area has turned down 3 applications for this. Need to pressurize council for elections to get things done.

RA asked about being included in communications – **Colin Moulson** agreed to include in email list.

Businesses not being involved in events. Mailshot sent out and quite a few did not respond. Colin does not have email addresses for all businesses.

Who has he spoken to in Sandbank to discuss cycle pathway as Trust was proposing a cycle and walkway from HQ to head of Holy Loch. Details given to him to contact SCDT.

6. Treasurer's Report

BR reported:

Balance b fwd from April	£4390.03
Income	£ 60.00
Subtotal	£4450.03
Expenses	<u>£ 607.74</u>
Total	<u>£3842.29</u>

There are 19 numbers available for 50:50

7. Planning

IM reported that since the last meeting on 15th April the weekly list of planning applications indicated only three matters in the Sandbank/Ardnadam area :-

- Non-material amendment to planning permission ref. 12/00030/PP to incorporate two roof lights in sun room at "Altinev"
- Formation of vehicular access and hard standing at 2 Police Station House (14/00682/PP)
- Change of use and external alterations to former police station to create dwelling house and erection of two detached dwelling houses at Police Station, High Road (14/00682/PP)

He also said that he attended a "pre-application consultation" meeting in the Hunter's Quay Holiday Village on 8th May which allowed the general public to have sight of some new planning proposals for the park. Aside from some infill proposals for a few new caravan/chalet sites and some queries about the title boundaries of the Holiday Village one potentially contentious issue is likely to be five new building plots adjacent to Hunter's Grove." **RA** showed copy of plan

- Site next to Sandhaven H1001 under consideration at moment from Scottish government. **Cllr BM** stated that flood alleviation plan must be in place. **David Honer** stated that **Cllr GB** not present. **Cllr GB** was present on site visit and on planning committee and aware of issues. **Cllr GB** experienced flooding in his own garden. Deforestation may then affect Sandhaven more. Funding available for drainage?? **SM** asked. who owns forest, speak to Sepa and ask if flood mitigation plan in place

8. Local Community Planning

Emergency flyers ready for insert in Scene

IM to ask for maps to accompany plan – **Action – IM to action**



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7. Councillor's Report

I have met with Katherine Newlands and Kirsty Leiper of PNE Wind and have contacted various people mainly connected to Trusts who would have an interest in community pay back if the Bachan Burn Wind Farm is approved by the Scottish Govt. Showing an interest at this time in no way is showing preference for or against the project. They have suggested a meeting on 29th May.

Below is information on the Council's Co-Mingling refuse roll out

We are still in contractual discussions with our PPP Contractor Shanks and till Shanks funders are totally happy with proposals Shanks will not sign off Contract Variation, to allow us to progress

It has been very embarrassing over the past eighteen months answering questions at CC and public meetings about our co-mingled collection which is now over two years behind the original scheduled date for introduction. Please give me an answer to the questions below.

- Can you tell me when it will be introduced in Cowal? [Depends on PPP Variation Agreement signing. Cowal start date possibly March 2015 but subject to timing of Variation Agreement.](#)
- Can you tell me exactly what can be placed in the co-mingled bin? [Paper, cardboard, cans cartons and plastic bottles/tubs/trays.](#)
- Are you going to send round information nearer the time about how the items should be presented? [Yes – an Information pack would be provided to householders prior to start date.](#)
- Is hard plastic acceptable along with plastic bottles - [Plastic accepted would be limited to plastic bottles/tubs/trays.](#)
- Should plastic bottle tops be removed and placed in regular rubbish bin? [Lids can be placed in regular rubbish or can be placed back on plastic bottle for recycling if bottle has been squashed.](#)
- Is cardboard acceptable in paper bin? [Yes](#)

Cllr BM still waiting for further information on McKinlay's Quay and Holy Loch Marina

CT - Plot 2 hopefully work will be completed soon.

Cllr GB – play park lighting and Broxwood.

Kilfinnan wind Cour farm fund opportunity available for sandbank??

8. Community Councillors' Report

CT reported:

- I obtained the tallies(10) for the planters as agreed (from Engrave-it), these are now stuck to all metal planters, the 3 wooden planters at Lazaretto Point, the new planters at Rankin's Brae, Broxwood - including the bench.
- Planters purchased from A&BC Dunoon Employability Team.
- Plants and compost purchased from Walker's.
- I have failed to kick off the registering process required under the Data Protection Act - this I will action this week or next.
- I have one container of 6 x bedding plants and 1 bag of compost for use in the village.
- Articles written for Sandbank Scene.
- Laminated 'help required' window posters completed by Tom McKillop, David Honer and yours truly.



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RA reported:

- Main issues report consultation LLNTP anyone want to comment – part of the local development plan
- Would SCC consider purchasing a Junior Tug o War trophy for the Gala as we only have an adult trophy? **All agreed**
- Possibility of purchasing an SCC laptop for Secretary? **Depends on price and also a Dictaphone?**
- Fundraising at Sandbank Gala - Does SCC require a stall? **CT, IM and JM agreed to run the stall**
- Community Defibrillator - Arthur Oliver is looking for someone to volunteer to occasionally check the green light is illuminated on the unit and to be named as a community contact. More info from Arthur if anyone would like to do this on 706318. **No volunteers at present**
- 50:50 routes confirmed for summer and ID requirements **IM doing 2 routes at present – routes need to be reconfigured again**
- SCC email address and webpage - **This has been set up by Tom - Thanks Tom**
- Opt out email sent today to SCC emails. Will pass updated email list to Stephanie.
- Cubs/Beavers are going to put plants in Finbracken/Rankins Brae once they have grown a bit **Ongoing**
- Jim Ferguson is able to clean down planters at Rankins Brae and Finbracken after grass cutting. Commitments have increased so no longer in the position to take a lot on voluntarily
- Scene advert payments - suggest that all advertisers not already set up for bacs payment are encouraged to pay in this way. **RA will email**

Sandbank Scene – Updated contact info and details emailed to **TM/BR**.

Secretary duties will end once May minutes circulated.

TM reported:

- TM stated that lights for play park would be nominal cost but capital cost involved as need to be pivotal lights.
- Brian Fitzpatrick at ABC can put a power box in and run a pipe under the grass to put lamp standard. Gave us 17m of festoon lighting which will go from corner of Rankins Brae and round the outside of garden. Will lift few blocks in middle to drop tree into a Christmas. 4 x 60ft long rope lights. ABC can help with cherry picker to put up lights.
- LED lighting for park will be low cost if we get them
- Lazaretto Point and monument lighting – plan for 4 x lighting the column flush mounted vandal proof uplighters. No visual impact or light intrusion. Access to power nearby.
- Illuminated signs??
- Sandbank website and email now set up. Scene will be online also. Website is £58 annually and includes all. **Website www.sandbankcc.co.uk** still under construction.

SM reported:

- Funding application for £10,000 submitted for lighting, stand for clock and ancillaries.
- 3rd sector funding - £1670 received for Christmas lights, perhaps purchase a baked potato machine.
- Get kids to help us plant daffodils in autumn or have a community day to plant them up.

IM will organise a community pay back visit. Date to be arranged.

9. Public Questions

- Tuesday 27th Cruise ship is coming in. Graeme (SCDT) to be contacted to get grass cut - SM will contact



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- David Honer asked if 40mph limit could be extended to 30mph for past Sandhaven. Community payback can't work there because of speed limit. Planning for H1001 would also need an access road if houses to be put in so speed limit should be reduced for this reason also.

10. 50/50 Draw

May Draw

1st Prize: P Gillen 2nd Prize: I MacNaughton 3rd Prize: D Dort

June Draw

1st Prize W Taylor 2nd Prize: M McVicar 3rd Prize J Woodward

11. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 19th August at 7.30pm.**

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