



SANDBANK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

NOTICE

**THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SANDBANK
COMMUNITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN SANDBANK
VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 18TH JUNE AT 7.00PM
2019.**

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

AGENDA

1. Present/Attending Fiona Gault, Sue McKillop, Michelle Sweeney, Iain MacNaughton, Eric Large, Bill Rankin, Nicola Gault, M Craig
2. Apologies Tom McKillop, Fiona Stuart, Pauline Seale, Jean Maskell
3. Declarations of interest None
4. Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of Sandbank Community Council 16th October 2018 and matters arising.
Prop FG 2nd EL

5. Annual report

This report although it says on the Agenda annual is in fact only 6 meetings old. This time last year the CC had been dissolved and to be honest there were times when I didn't think we would start up again as although lots of interest was expressed, getting people to fill in the forms and hand them in on time, was an uphill struggle.

I understand that as it is a huge commitment to be part of the SCC and it's not just about saying ok, I'll join how hard can it be?

However, we made it and here we are 7 months later at our first AGM. November, we had our annual fireworks display and all that goes along with it. This was the second year we had a after party and it was a great success. Lots of hard work in preparing for it and also on the day making sure everything went ok and last year was different in that Jamie from Coast Coffee asked if he could practice on us as he was branching out organising events. Craig Wilson provided the bar at night and for the first time we had a couple of serious fairground attractions. The weather as usual didn't play fair and at one-point Tam said he thought we had the only fire proof bonfire. Fireworks were amazing as always.

This year we are going into the Holy Loch Sailing Club clubhouse, so no marquee but more fair ground rides and a later start time. It may change again we just have to see how it goes and this option is much cheaper for us as last year we had to find £2,500. Thanks to Iain who went around the businesses and also to them as without their continued support we would really struggle. The Sailing club are only looking for a donation and we are making the after party a BOB.

December, A panic over a tree or lack of one but Bryan Pierce got us one on the Thursday and Donnie MacFarlane delivered it. Tam and his friend erected it and got the lights on and we were good to go for the Sunday evening. The weather was kind and the children from Sandbank primary sang Christmas songs to a great crowd who had mince pies and winter punch, all very festive. It was such a good tree we thought it was going to be with us for Easter but Callum and Claire our new residents came to the rescue and took it down and away for us.

We decided to resurrect our 50 -50 club as a way of getting some much-needed funds and to that end we have new letters to put out to all the residents inviting them to join. Out of the money collected 50% goes in prize money by way of a draw at the monthly meeting broken up into 25% 15% 10% 1st 2nd 3rd prize and the other 50% goes into the SCC funds.

The only funding we get regularly is an Admin grant yearly from the council of around £600 other than that we have to raise money or apply for funding to do anything.

We have one planter at Rankins Brae that the council fill and other than that the 23 planters around the village need to be filled by spending money on plants and compost etc. Money from the 50-50 will help with that.

We put money into the fireworks each year too.

We have registered the village in the Village in Bloom competition as we seemed to be the only village not in it.

So much help is needed and I know that Grant McClure Finlay Currie and a couple of other gentlemen have been going out on a Wednesday evening clearing the verges and the gutters. This is much appreciated and it is looking great. Iain at the marina is going to talk to Finlay and between them tidy up Rankins Brae, move the planter into the middle and move the planters from the lamp post to around the village. Finlay has a half moon metal seat to go around the lamp post.

I have asked Alistair MacGregor from the HELP project for help as well and I want to plan a planting weekend in the very near future.

We are, weather permitting, holding our first Car Boot and Market on Ardnadam car park this Sunday 12 till 4 and the funds from that will go towards buying plants for the planters.

I applied for funding from the Health and Wellbeing group was received a phone call last week to say they had awarded us £1000.

This money will go towards adult outdoor exercise equipment for Ardnadam car park. We now have to find the other £7000 though the Trust will help with that.

Broxwood Picnic area still needs a facelift and at a recent meeting of the Holy Loch Nature Reserve Trust it was decided that SCC would do a joint application with them so that we can pool any money awarded to both of us to make improvements to the whole area. As the picnic area borders the land of the Nature Reserve.

Early this year we paid a visit to Alison at the Marina and had a tour of the area and listened to the plans that she had, some of which are now

in place. They have offered the piece of grassed ground to the council to widen the road at the top of Rankins Brae. They council have no money for this but after a recent meeting they may be in a position to offer their expertise allowing us to apply for funding as we would have something to apply with.

The play park is looking really run down but again they can't afford to re do the flooring under and around the equipment. They will survey the area though and assist in helping us apply for funding. While this isn't great news it is better to be working with them than against them. They aren't strimming areas anymore either so if we want it done, we as a community need to do it.

This is something that we need to get together as a community and work out a plan to keep Sandbank looking the best it can and be a place people want to live work and play.

6. Audited Statement of Accounts Done

7. Election of Office Bearers

Convenor Sue McKillop prop IMac 2nd EL

Vice Convenor Iain MacNaughton prop MS 2nd SM

Treasurer Jean Maskell prop SM 2nd FG

Secretary Fiona Gault prop SM 2nd MS

8. Review of Constitution and Standing Orders Done

9. Date of next AGM

19th May 2020 7pm Village Hall