

West loch Fyne Community Council

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Minutes of Meeting held at Minard on 4 November 2015

Committee Members Present: Fred Bruce (F.B) Jason Copestick (J.C)

Kay Owen (K.O), Leonard McNeill (L.McN)

D.McTaggart(D.McT), Steve Thompson(S.T)

Present: Sgt. I. MacNicol, Catherine McNeill, Ann Dodd, Ronnie Dodd, Ian Smith.
(If you were present at this meeting and your name does not appear here please contact the Secretary)

Apologies: None

The Convenor: Fred Bruce.

Meeting started at 7.10 pm

1.Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. No issues or objections were raised.
Proposed K.O, 2nd L.McN

2. Agenda

Three items were on the agenda.

1. Police Report.

From Sgt. McNicol.

No crime has been reported in the West Lochfyne area. Recent offences have been traffic related, both car and h.g.v drivers being caught committing various offences.

Another warning was issued about “Skimming” devices being placed on cash points. The police have recently recovered a “device” and incidents have not been recorded since. However, a warning is still in place, if card is retained, phone bank immediately.

Telephone scams are still in operation.

“Rural Watch” West LochFyneside has been invited to join. Information was given to all present about what this entails. F.B to pursue and sign up.

Ronnie Dodd, from floor, then raised question about proposed speed limit changes between Furnace and Minard. A campaign is being run in Furnace to extend the current 40 M.p.h limit further towards Minard. Traffic Scotland have offered to attend a meeting in Furnace on Thursday 12 November. One proposal was that the speed limit should be extended from Furnace to Minard. This had the full support of all present.

2. Wind Farms

A' Chruach. Wind farms

Nothing to report. A meeting with Infinis was planned and then cancelled.

A meeting was held on Friday 6 November to interview groups who would form community plans. F.B and L.McN attended.

F.B has received a letter from EON about 3 proposed wind farms. Very little details on any.

3. Letter from M. P's and M.S.P

A discussion was held about a recent letter that was sent to the community council about the proposed cuts to Argyll and Bute council budget.

The conclusion of these was that all present felt that the letter was, at best, very negative towards the current council and seem to be blaming them. It was questioned what the nature of the letter was and what reaction we could make.

All agreed that it would be good to speak to our current local councillor (S. Taylor)

I. Smith, from floor, commented that he had has a chance to look at the councils public consultation online. He found it to be very difficult and confusing

A.O.B

L.McN. Is still pursuing money for the war memorial at Tullochgorm. An e-mail has been sent to S.Taylor and he was expected to attend.

F.B has been sent a letter informing that divisional merger of police areas is not happening. He is researching ownership of road outside Lochgair church hall.

No further news has been received about proposed council area boundary changes, it has been referred back to council.

Next Meeting.

Monday 18 January 2016 7.00 pm at Lochgair Village Hall

F.B to book hall.

Meeting Closed @ 8.15 pm