

**Minutes of meeting of Ballantrae Community Council held on the 29th August
2023 at 19:00**

Sederunt: Mhairi McKenna (MMcK) (Chair); Deborah Cassels (DC); Sharon Adams (SA); Claire Erskine (CE); Calum Macdonald (CM); Cllr Alec Clark (AC); John Hainey (JH); Martin McCourt (MMcC); Calum McDonald (CMcD);

Apologies: Colin McNally, Kim Mawer, Ryan Ward.

Minutes of meeting: 25th July 2023 approved, proposed SA, seconded SM.

Welcome

MMcK welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Matters arising

A ceremony will be taking place on Friday 3rd of September to unveil the Merchant Seaman Memorial from 10.30am – 11am.

SA advised that the decision on ARIA funding will be at the end of September.

SA will contact Scottish Water with regards to hopefully reinstating tap at Harbour.

Police Report via Email

There were 13 incidents raised within the period 01/08/23 to 27/08/23, with 2 crime reports being created from these incidents. The crime reports raised within this period both being detected.

Incident breakdown:

Assist Member of the Public: 1

Road Traffic Matters: 3

Abandoned 999: 2

Abandoned Vehicles:1

Planned Shoot: 1

Child Protection: 1

Alarms: 1

Bail Offences: 1

Disturbance: 1

Crime Report Analysis:

1 x Offensive Weapon – detected.

1 x Bail Offences – detected.

Treasurer's report - SA

Treasurers Account – No statement in period

Harbour account balance £1,870.85 no change in the period.

Community Benefit fund account:

Balance: £9858.44

Change – Cheques paid out and £10,000.00 paid in from Community Fund Account.

Ballantrae Community fund account:

Opening balance: £75,514.38

Closing balance: £65,595.61

Change in the month: £10,000 paid to community benefit fund account and £81.23 in interest.

Community Benefit Fund (Carrick Futures) - SA

3 New Applications

Ballantrae Food Festival Committee - (Harley's Offroad Wheelchair) - £500

Kings Arms Pub And Hub – Staff Training - £500

Ballantrae Trust – Day to Day Running - £500

Ballantrae Community Fund - MMcK

Meeting to be held on 4th September 2023

Carrick Futures and Kilgallioch

Carrick Futures -

Kilgallioch –

Ballantrae Trust, KA/Bencom - MMcC

Work on the roof will be commencing shortly and thereafter electrical work will be carried out. The pub has now been reopened for 3 months and initial figures are showing a small profit. Advertisements are out looking for a Chef and talks are ongoing with colleges. Food will be continuing on a limited basis. Application is in for a woodchip boiler due to the current one being condemned.

Community Association MMcK

A deep clean of the community centre will take place in the near future. CE has raised concerns as she has been approached to remove thousands of pounds worth of equipment belonging to Ballantrae and Colmonell Gymnastics Club. MMcK will take these concerns to the Community Association.

Harbour Committee – SM

CE has agreed to take forward the application for funding for pointing on the harbour.

Traffic within the village - DC

No report in this period.

Ardstinchar Bridge

WIA Gilbert have been appointed to carry out the work. Work will commence on 18th September pending confirmation from the divers that they are available.

Working days will be dependable on weather and river conditions. This will then allow the Ardstinchar Bridge to be reopened to the public.

South Ayrshire Council – AC

AC has spoken with Kevin Braidwood and potholes on Foreland Car Park and The Road will be repaired imminently.

MMcK advised she is awaiting quotes to deal with the rabbit population.

Capital funding has been allocated for new seating in the village and AC has advised those in charge of this to get in touch with BCC to see where these should be situated in the village.

A new pricing strategy has been released today and a consultation will take place in the future with regards to hopefully more social housing in the area.

Correspondence

A sub committee will be put together to arrange a questionnaire for public consultation on public transport to feed back to SPR.

JH will retire from the BCC on the 25th September 2023. MMcK thanked JH for all of his support over the years on the BCC.

Any other business

SM requested an update on the putting shed repairs. SA advised a new lock has been put on the door. Robert Adams has kindly offered to repair the broken bench. Billy Galloway has also kindly offered to paint the shed. SA has prepared new signs for the honesty box, how the putting green works and to make visitors aware of the rabbit holes.

DC advised a fence has been put up after the wall fell down in the community gardens and the gardens have now been reopened.

Date of next meeting will be September 26th, 2023 at 19:00