

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BALLANTRAE COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 25.6.19 IN BALLANTRAE COMMUNITY CENTRE

1 SEDERUNT: Sharon Robertson (SR) (Chair); Thomas Davidson (TD); Mhairi McKenna (MMcK); Linden Hunt (LH); Gwen Campbell (GC); Carol Bell (CB); Alan Bell (AB); John Hainey (JH); Cllr Alex Clark (AF); Lynn Young (Minutes Secretary); Lynn Neild (LN); PC Steve Woodley; Laura Cunningham (LC); Cathy Thorburn (CT)

2 APOLOGIES: Andy McAlpine; Colin McNally; Sean McIlwraith

3 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Agreed as an accurate record, proposed by SR and seconded by CB.

4 MATTERS ARISING

None.

5 POLICE REPORT – PC Woodley

MMcK thanked the police for coming to the Ballantrae Food and Drink Festival and supporting the trust. PC Woodley reported that there had been 12 incidents, including 3 road incidents and 3 crime reports – one assisting the public, one air weapon incident and one theft. Speed checks have been carried out in the village, also checks for mot, road tax, etc. SR said it is good that police are visible in the village. PC Woodley said they will try to come more often.

6 HARBOUR COMMITTEE

SMcI got a quote for the work on the ladders at the harbour: £320 + VAT; this includes materials, labour and mileage. For an extra £100 he is willing to fit a working derrick for landing. This can be removed for storage in the winter. Only one quote has been received as Drew Mawer cannot commit to doing the work, and no-one else would be able to do it as it is very specialised work. SAC had asked for 3 quotes. There is money in the harbour committee funds. LN asked where the money in the harbour account comes from. The money has been in the account for about 6 years. SR proposed that the work be done, CB seconded it, and it was agreed unanimously.

7 TREASURER'S REPORT

The cheque for Ballantrae in Bloom bounced, as the red squirrel people had been paid; this will be sorted out.

8 COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND – no new applications

9 CARRICK FUTURES/BALLANTRAE COMMUNITY FUND/KILGALLIOCH

Community Fund – no report

Carrick Futures – next meeting in July; deadline for applications 12.8.19.

Kilgallioch – meeting last night for large applications. BRICC have applied and will hear the result shortly.

10 BALLANTRAE TRUST

MUGA completed and is being well used.

AGM was held on 20.6.19; not a great attendance. No nominations for directors, but there is still time.

The performance 549 Scots by Ayrshire Rural Touring Network was an excellent performance; 35 people attended.

14 people attended the Ambition Workshop for Business.

Anna Butler has resigned as trainee development officer. She will still be a volunteer.

The trampoline in the park is being installed next week.

MMcK reported on the Ballantrae Food and Drink Festival. A review meeting is being held next week. 3000 people attended over 2 days; some people attended both days. The kite making and flying was very successful. The demonstrations were very successful also. The festival will be held again next year. More volunteers are needed. It was suggested that better signs be put up to promote other areas in the village. GC said that older people could not sit down and have a cup of tea and a sandwich; this will be looked at for next year. MMcK said that more tables and chairs than in previous years were put out. LH said that the marquee seemed to be wider and there was more space to move around. CB suggested an extra gazebo for extra

seating could be erected. Ladies from the village made almost £1000 from baking and BRICC made about £500. SR said that some of the food was very expensive. The stallholders all seemed to be happy.

11 BALLANTRAE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION – LC

The blinds have been fitted in the hall.

The defibrillator has arrived along with a CPR training kit. CPR training sessions will be organised, possibly every 2 months. The defibrillator will be fitted during the summer on the outer wall of the hall.

Roy the hall keeper and LC are going to set up a table tennis club once Roy is back. This will be offered to senior citizens.

All the stalls for the gala are sold out. A couple of car boot spaces are left. The dance starts at 7.30pm. Tickets are available from Anna Kosak and Stacey Stewart. An appeal for baking has been put out.

12 ARDSTINCHAR BRIDGE – ongoing.

13 SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL – AC

The work around the hall has now been done.

Piles of wood on Foreland – environmental health and neighbourhood services have looked at this. There is no breach of environmental health because it is on the beach. Further poles are being installed, but fencing is not to be put around the putting green. In 2017 previous correspondence stated that the fence was not to secure the safety of children. If the bollards are removed whoever removes them will be held to account. If this is not sorted out AC will take it further. LH said there is now a pile of garden rubbish alongside the timber.

A special full council meeting of SAC is being held; this will take forward the adoption of LDP2 (Local Development Plan 2). This will include planning and development for the next 5 years. LDP2 is a disappointment according to AC. South Ayrshire should be opened up for business and open up rural areas. They will now work to assess what kind of housing is required. This will also try to be more flexible when people are building private housing. AC said that serious problems have to be addressed. There is a consultation period of 6 months and it is likely that a significant amount of amendments will be made. The planning manager is leaving. AC said that a new act will give communities much more power to control what goes on in their communities. The consultation will have to include communities but the process has not yet been decided upon. There is a lot of work required on this.

LH reported that the concrete has not been removed from Onslow Place, and there is a broken manhole cover outside 77a Main Street. AC will follow this up.

Rubbish has been left following the work on the school. LC said that the school is aware of this and it is in hand; SAC were arranging this through a specific company. It is equipment which needs to be moved; it is near the wall behind the school.

The RADAR key is not working at the public toilets. Apparently the lock has been changed. LH will recheck this and will notify AC if it is still not working.

14 CORRESPONDENCE – As circulated

15 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Scout hut – the electricity is not being used. AC to be informed when time is right for disconnection.

Tennis courts – gate has been locked because the nets have been damaged twice. LC said that the school have been using the tennis courts. The tennis nets have been taken to be repaired by Bob who lives across the road from the courts; he also holds the key. Discussion around the best system to allow access to the tennis courts – it was agreed that access to the courts should be allowed. AC thinks they may belong to SAC. LC will speak to Bob and to Rosemary Stevenson, and the lock will be removed. The primary school children are having tennis coaching at present.

GC – Ballantrae in Bloom. Written request for £30 for prizes for the flower show will be submitted.

CB said that the mat at the hall entrance is damaged and is a tripping hazard. LC will follow this up.

The minutes of BCC are displayed in the surgery; they will also go onto the website and the Facebook page.

16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 27.8.19