

Minutes of meeting of Ballantrae Community Council held on the 28th of November 2023 at 19:00

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Mhairi McKenna (MMcK) Sharon Adams (SA) Debbie Cassells (DC)
Martin McCourt (MMcC) Claire Erskine (CE) Kim Mawer (KM) Ryan
Ward (RW-SAC Link Officer) Ryan McIlwraith (RMcl)

Apologies

Colin McNally, Alan Lamont, Sean McIlwraith, Calum Macdonald

Minutes of last meeting 31st October

Minutes from 31st of October approved, proposed by SA seconded by
CE

Welcome

MMcK welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Matters Arising

- Minutes from September meeting still to be submitted
- No correspondence from SAC the ivy issues

Police report

- No police report for this period.

Treasurers report

Account Balances

- Special Interest-bearing account £65832.94 (money sent to
Foundation Scotland will show on the next bank statement)
- +£83.58
- Community Benefit Fund £10483.745
- -£322.64 Pilates group

- -£200 Trust psychic night
- -£440 Kings Arms Pub and Hub
- + £5000 Foundation Scotland (Carrick Futures)
- Harbour Account £1866.95

Small grant fund applications

- £165 for 66 selection boxes @£2.50 – agreed in full
- £500 for Girvan academy's personal hygiene supplies – agreed in full
- £455 13 Ballantrae primary 13 christmas presents @£35 – agreed
- £500
- £500 for ballantrae community council to purchase gifts for every child in the village. – agreed in full .

Community benefit fund applications (Carrick Future)

- No report submitted

Reports from Ballantrae community fund, Carrick futures and Kilgallioch

- No applications from Ballantrae
- Next meeting 10 days from the 28th of November

Report from Ballantrae Trust MMcC

- The funds have been released for the new slide in the playpark, an order is in the process of being placed. Installation date TBC
- The successful contractor has been appointed to carry out electrical improvement works to the public areas of the Kings Arms. Work will commence in the new year

- Scotmid have agreed in principle to assist with the repairs to the car park and to install an EV charging station. This is now proceeding subject to legal advice
- We have received funding to paint the outside of the Kings Arms, this will start in the spring, subject to approval from South Ayrshire Planning re colours
- The Community Action Plan is ongoing and a public consultation has taken place and we expect the results early in 2024
- The Architectural design ideas are being produced and costed for the Kings Arms.
- The Trust is always on the lookout for more volunteers, an open evening was held and some good ideas have come from that

Ballantrae Community Association

- No correspondence from this period

Harbour committee

- Nothing new has happened with the harbour committee

Traffic within the village DC

Proposed A77T Weekend Closure north of Lendalfoot (STAIDS

Pass) 8th Dec

- This was brought to our attention through local businesses who were very concerned of the impact this would have on the run up to Christmas. BCC is now included as a key stakeholders wrt any future works on this route from Girvan to Stranraer.
- BCC sent concerns to Amey, Transport Scotland, and MSP office, requesting that the full weekend road closure be reconsidered.
- Local councillors also sent letters of support
- At a key stakeholder meeting on Tues 28th Nov, it was agreed the

works would be rescheduled as overnight closures rather than a full weekend.

- The works will now take place from 8th to 21st Dec, overnight closures 8pm – 6am, with traffic lights during the day.
- Appropriate signage has been requested wrt 'Ballantrae still open for business'
- HGVs will be monitored in the use of non-designated diversion routes

Pedestrian Safety Progress

- An onsite meeting was held on Tues 28th Nov with Vince Tait (Amey), Neil Lang (Transport Scotland), Tracy Hamilton (Elena Whitham MSP Office), Mhairi McKenna, Debbie Cassels.
- Amey presented their options for signalled and un-signalled pedestrian crossings, based on the previous heat maps showing how the roads are used by pedestrians.
- These were discussed in situ wrt location, safety, and feasibility
- Local knowledge and observations were noted by Amey
- Amey will also review the need for 'your speed is' signs and other options to increase public safety throughout the village
- Amey will produce a proposal to Transport Scotland.
- It is expected that public consultation will be held in Spring 2024, with the work starting Summer 2024.

Ardstinchar bridge

- Caravan with equipment has moved from bridge

Report from SAC

- Alan Lamont unable to attend

- Signage for the location of the public toilets
- Roughcast of hall to match the front
- People to be sent to cut ivy on the fence behind the hall
- The broken fence at 8 Downan Avenue to be removed but SAC are hesitant to replace it

Correspondence

- Answered annual self-assessment questions

A.O.C.B

- Ryan Ward to find out about the Wi-Fi problem in community hall
- Need a copy of John's resignation letter for SAC
- There will be no meeting in December.
- Next meeting 30th of January 2024