



## Draft Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in Ardrishaig Public Hall

### **Present:**

MaryMacCallum-Sullivan(MMS)Convener

Kenneth MacVicar (KMcV) Vice

Convener

Arthur Barclay (AB) Treasurer

Neil-John MacLean (NJ)

Lynn MacVicar (LMcV)

Fiona McFarlane (FMcF)

David Inglis (DI)

Ron Bowe (RB)

Cllr Dougie Philand (DP)

Police Sgt Martin Balkeen

Catherine Bowe (CB) Secretary

### **Apologies:**

Donna Mallin (DM)

**2. Notes of Previous Meeting:** No meeting held in April

**3. Matters arising:** None

### **4. Policing:**

4.1 Sgt Balkeen reported that there have been 58 calls to the police in the area over last 2 months – of which 4 were being treated as crimes.

1. No motor insurance.
2. Domestic disturbance.
3. Road accident caused by careless driving.
4. Some motor bike riders in the area are causing problems for other road users – they have been cautioned.

4.2 There are no plans to close the Police Office in Lochgilphead.

### **5. A & B District Councillor:** Dougie Philand

5.1 The Health and Care Forum are discussing the provision of elderly care in the area. There is an increasing number of elderly people who are no longer able to stay in their own homes and are requiring care locally, beside family and friends. Various options are being considered by A & B.

5.2 NJ raised the matter of an email from A & B Council objecting to the extra planters placed along the grass verge on the North side entrance to Ardrishaig. The objection is to the grasscutters having to be paid to strim around the bases and this will be an extra cost to the council. DP agreed that this is unreasonable and will represent Ardrishaig to the appropriate department.



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### **6. MACEL Chair Presentation re MACpool Plans:**

Kim Richie, the Chairperson of MACpool, gave a talk on the improvement facilities planned for the pool.

- Major fundraising required - £1.5 million, including a Grant for £300k applied for.
- Purchase offices adjoining pool – Existing Nursery will NOT be affected or closed
- Improved changing facilities and Reception areas
- Viewing space
- Soft play area
- Community Café

### **7. Planning and Regeneration:**

#### **7.1 Public Hall Plans Presentation:**

The future plans for the regeneration of the Public Hall were presented by the Architect Neil Taylor (NT) and Edward Laughton ACT (EL). Unable to obtain Grants, it was explained that this will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Stage of regenerating the Hall. In general, the plans were well received, but CB indicated her disagreement with the planned blocking in of the round window above the door in the Tower. The majority at the meeting (Councillors and Public) agreed with this. EL and NT will consider this suggestion. However, CB will consult members of village who were not attending the meeting, for their views. (On consultation as promised, members of the public require ALL of the windows in the Tower to be retained. CB has written to EL on behalf of the community with their opinion). The work is planned to start in the autumn and finish in Spring.

#### **7.2 KGV Playing Field:**

The Council engineer has declared that the ball fence has been inappropriately built, but has not yet replied with information meantime.

### **8. “Egg Shed” open for public consultation on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019.**

### **9. AOB:**

A Ping Pong table, obtained free by AB from A & B Hospital, will soon be installed in the North Hall.

### **10. 2019 Meeting Dates:**

4<sup>th</sup> June (AGM); 2<sup>nd</sup> July; 3<sup>rd</sup> September; 1<sup>st</sup> October; 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019

Next Meeting of the Community Council will be held in Ardrishaig Public Hall at 7.30 pm Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2019.