

Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 22 September 2016 at 7.30pm in Appin Village Hall

**Present:** Alison MacCorquodale, Elaine Venters, Lorraine Drysdale, PC Alex Ferrier, PC Cammy Lowe, Lorraine Drysdale, David Macneil, David Craig, Cllr. Kieron Green, Cllr. Elaine Robertson, Linda Macleod, Neil Mackie, Charles Fotheringham, Bob Cornish, Sarah Brown, Julie McKenzie, Ian Barclay, Stephen Divers, Ian Forbes, Mary Gregory, Doreen Evans, Roger Evans, David Macneil, Greg Riddle, Kate McIntyre, John Rea (SSF) Sheena Warnock (SSF).

**1. Apologies:** Jane Parkin, Paul Zvegintzov.

**2. Minutes of the last meeting** (27 July 2016) A change is required to item 3.7, re the posting of planning applications at Port Appin Co-op, this comment is to be removed.

**3. Presentation by Scottish Sea Farms re the salmon hatchery proposed for Barcaldine.**

Sheena Warnock, John Rae, Kate McIntyre and Greg Riddell attended on behalf of Scottish Sea Farms. John Rae gave an outline of what was planned for the site and the benefits it would bring to the area. Greg Riddell presented more of the detail of what was proposed, re building design, energy consumption, waste, traffic movements, noise, light pollution and jobs.

Numerous questions were asked from the floor.

Request for feedback forms were handed out, additional forms are to be left at the Doctors and Co-op.

Residents were invited by Scottish Sea Farms to give their feedback on this development.

**4. Matters Arising**

a) A828 Trunk Road

- Potholes at the Appin House corner have at last been filled.

b) School Transport/Public Transport

- Nothing to report.

c) Port Appin and other Council roads

- Nothing to report.

d) Broadband and Mobile Phone

- BT cabinets planned to be live by 2/17.
- HIE to carry out market review, review to include tech. Other than BT fibre, may take 2 years.
- Wireless in islands- problems with the siting of masts causing delays.

e) Safer Routes to School

- Nothing to report.

f) Recycling/Litter

- Appin House Layby- Bin still lidless and overflowing every week, seagulls scavenging and spreading the overflow.
- Request that an extra post box type bin is installed to deter the dumping of large sacks of waste. Cllr Robertson to liaise with Paul and the refuse department.
- It is thought that the planned tri weekly collections will not keep the layby clear.

g) Planning Applications

- A company called Appin Marine appears to be advertising as a boat storage facility at the old mink farm, the owner is to be invited to attend the next meeting to discuss its operation.

#### h) Invasive Species

- Rhododendron Project – Elaine Jamieson and Gordon Gray Stephens gave an update on the project progress in Glen Creran. Further funding is required to widen the project scope, the ACC to provide a letter supporting the project in order to assist with grant applications.
- The success of the project is dependant on the longterm buy-in by the community / individual residents and people moving in to the area.

#### 5. Correspondence

- Scottish Ambulance Annual review, The Crown Estate – portfolio update, SSE – community Update, Funding alerts, update on Community Empowerment.

#### 6. Treasurer's Report

- ACC funds stand at £3647.71.

#### 7. Any Other Competent Business

##### a) Proposed Plans for Homecare Provision.

- The Co-ordinator has been appointed and will be invited to attend the next meeting.

##### b) Emergency Response Plan (on-going)

- Co-ordinator and deputy to be recruited for the Port Appin area.
- The possibility of getting a SSE grant to purchase mobile phone boosters for the halls is to be progressed.

##### c) Police Report

- No issues / incidents to report other than 5 incidents (27/8/16 to 21/9/16), which were routine in nature. Static road speed checks will continue in the area.
- Questionnaire forms were handed out re "Policing your Community", copies are to be left in the doctors' surgery and Port Appin shop for residents to give their feedback to Police Scotland.

##### d) Appin Area Flower Displays.

- Enquiries to be made about planting out the mature plants / trees at the millennium bridge area.

##### f) Community Noticeboards

- Volunteers recruited to freshen up the boards and exterior frames, Gunns Garage has now been painted.

#### 8. Public Questions

- Community Transport Scheme – following the survey it was confirmed that there is demand and support (volunteers) for this service. An application is to be made for grant funding. A letter of support is to be provided by ACC for this. Argyll and Bute Council also to be asked for a letter of support.

#### 9. Date of Next Meeting

The next Community Council meeting will take place on Thursday 23 November. at 7.30pm in Appin Village Hall.

Further meeting date is: 12 January 2017.