

# ARDCHATTAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Notes of informal online meeting 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Present:** DJ Barr (CC Convenor), Tim McIntyre (CC Acting Secretary), Breege Smyth (CC), Colin Morrison (CC), John Campbell (CC), Cllrs Elaine Robertson, Kieron Green and Andrew Vennard; Jill Bowis, Jocelyn Miller, Ali Martin, Elaine Munro, Joy Blakeney.

**Apologies:** Caroline Campbell (CC Treasurer), Robin Dodman (CC)

- 1. Matters Arising: DJ:** Dog fouling signs are now installed at Gilly's Path & on cycle path at 3 points in Benderloch, and Elaine M & pupils got coverage in the Oban Times for project near the school.
- 2. Community Warden: Breege:** Caroline had suggested the possibility of the Ardchattan Centre taking on a warden for the area, however the organisation is still too new and not yet properly set up with resources and administration for employing people yet – a possibility for next year. **DJ:** Caroline also suggested making part-time use of the Appin warden as a short term solution – this to be followed up.
- 3. Speeding on Tralee Road:** A group of CC members are working on a letter to request a review of the speed limit on the Keil road. Mark Steward (Scottish Sea Farms) had also undertaken, in an email to the CC, to circulate a memo to staff reminding them of the need for careful and considerate driving to/from the South Shian site.
- 4. CC Office Bearers:** A new Convenor will need to be elected at the next meeting, as DJ is stepping down from the role. Tim is also intending to stand down as Secretary as soon as possible, and at the very latest by the next full Community Council Elections, which are due to take place in Spring of 2022.
- 5. Bank Balance at 11<sup>th</sup> June:** General Account £3,104.88; Covid Fund £1,240.51; The Covid fund is due to be wound up at the end of June
- 6. AOB: Elaine:** The Boundaries Commission final report has been submitted to the Scottish Government. **DJ:** provided a brief update on work still to be carried out at the School crossing. **Kieron:** noted that Covid infections are increasing locally and reminded for need for care and frequent testing. **Jill:** expressed frustration at the level of information/updates provided by Taynuilt Medical Practice compared with e.g. Appin. Suggested requesting a regular report from them for CC meetings. DJ to follow up. **Elaine M:** it is felt that the new dog fouling signage at the school is having a positive effect. DJ suggested that maybe a couple more signs are needed for further locations. **Mark Steward (SSF)** joined the meeting and confirmed that a memo will be sent to staff re: driving on Keil road and expressed a willingness to attend CC meetings and discuss any issues arising going forward. **Breege:** a big funding application has now been lodged in respect of the proposed development of the Ardchattan Centre in the former primary school. **Jill:** asked Council for details of the proposals to use the Achnaba Church car park as a camper van overnight space. Andrew V will forward the documentation relating to this.

It was agreed to hold a further online meeting on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 6.30pm. Invite and code to be sent out nearer the time.