

**Glenorchy and Innishail Community Council**  
**Wednesday 11th January 2023 7.30pm**  
**Dalmally Community Centre**  
**MINUTES**

Welcome and introductions

Present

Suzy Anderson (Treasurer), Ishbel Livingstone, Caroline Sharp (Secretary)

+7 members of the community

Finn Nixon (Oban Times) Luna Martin (Local Councillor - Scottish Greens) Kieron Green (Local Councillor – Independent)

Apologies

Sue Rawcliffe, Richard Field

Declaration of interests

None

Minute of the last meeting 14.09.2022

Proposed by IL, Seconded by CS

Minute of the inaugural meeting 08.11.2022

ITEMS RAISED

SA formally named as Treasurer. IL proposed and CS seconded within public meeting.

Updates:

SSEN Local Public Inquiry Creag Dhubh to Dalmally 275 kV OHL.

Creag Dhubh to Inveraray 275kV Planning Application.

Starting in February SA and RF met with John Muir Trust for advice on what could be done.

Interesting meeting. **SA has typed up and will share in due course.** Very legal process and would need Legal representation moving forward. Questions around funding and how to raise money for this.

Although council rejected the plans – they might withdraw during the process. Given number of people in the community council, we would need a large number of people on board and a lot of work.

Written statement will be given by G&ICC but will need advice on what to put forward. SA suggested flags along the route but would not be visible enough and consent to enter land,etc. A reporter might come and see the route and give views.

KG voted against the pylons route, but this was against the official advice of the council (A&B). The main local council objectives were 1. Impact on Duncan Ban Monument and 2. Impact on woodland. This was brought into play recently which has helped.

Can we have another meeting within the community on this? Where can we get funding?

Would Visit Scotland help? CG said that any Scottish Government organisations will not be willing to help at this level.

Summarised leaflet and information on the key documents for the locals to look at without SSEN there? The 3D imaging may have been bias. What else do we have? Suggested that it would be better for the No More Pylons Group to move forward with further community engagement, but no-one from the group present to confirm. **SA will meet with Euan from NMP shortly.**

IL commented on the impact on the locals, it's unfortunate that we have to justify the impact on wildlife and historic places rather than just the 'people' who matter? JB – visual impact from a tourists point of view. Specific areas that are key here? (Already mentioned Duncan Ban Monument) A&B officers may have approved – why? They commented it had a significant impact, on balance, and that was ok. It is not ok, so why would they say that after looking at the visualisations.

**Energy Consents Unit website has all the plans on it. Summary available. Simply search for Dalmally under 'Applications' <https://www.energyconsents.scot/>**

**SA can collate** a few items from the thousands of pages from John Muir Trust to put forward to the committee. Webcasts will show content of previous meetings. Timescale is quite short for one person to go through everything.

SA read out letter received from the Planning and Environmental Appeals Division (DPEA) with regards to appeal. Only 14 days notice to reply now.

John Muir Trust meeting – were helping as much as they could but wouldn't commit themselves. Too big a process for them so be prepared basically. They didn't have a basis to get involved for Dalmally unfortunately.

John Kerr and Sue Rawcliffe has been helpful in supporting the group during meetings. Worth approaching Euan from NMP. The CC cannot do the work – we can only support the NMP group. They must be the lead.

#### **ACTION**

Contact No More Pylons. We do not want to unintentionally cause harm to the process, so need a unified voice. **CS will contact NMP** (with help from SA with info) and hopefully set up a meeting on this.

Collective Leadership Model – carried forward.

Community Action Plan – Janet Buchanan (South Lochawe-side community company) no updates available.

**ACTION SA will meet with Lisa Beckett and CS to check for an updated report.**

Coronation bench – to be placed at the church. Less likely to be vandalised in that area. Need to check with A&B as to the best place and where permission will be given. A&B Council cut the grass so need to check where they would prefer.

Community Police Report – nothing received. **CS will follow up.**

Funding Applications: Cannot agree while no balance available but can agree in principle.

1. Tea and Tots – need £750 (Proposed by GC, Seconded by IL)
2. Theatre performance (Steve spoke about it) £200 for theatre workshop. (Proposed by IL Seconded by CS)

#### Planning applications

1. Rockhill Ardbrecknish Dalmally Argyll And Bute PA33 1BH – feedback from JB. Significant objections to the use of access. They do not own the access road up the B840. Single track farm road which is not made up for heavy vehicles. The road may collapse onto other properties. 3 houses they will go past.

2. Erection of temporary 100m anemometer mast over a period of up to 36 months – may have a lot to do with the SSEN grand plan. On an agenda to export windfarm energy through Cruachan connection. Contracts exist already – cheapest way to do that.

#### Pharmacy

Snow clearing – concerns for the car park of the surgery. Could not access it. NHS Highland still own it and Taynuilt still rent it, so someone has to be responsible for it. Plans need to be put in place for snow clearing. Main road could be accessed but not the surgery.

**ACTION: CS to contact Practice Manager again to ask why not cleared and what plans are in place.**

What options are there for those who are vulnerable and cannot get prescriptions – what options are there? Community Nursing? Postal prescriptions?

**ACTION: utilise covid list for help locally – CS will check this.**

Council does not have the resources to clear every property. Dalmally to Inveraray road is highest priority to be cleared. Ardbrecknish hill is also a priority. Who is responsible for the emergency planning within the council for this area. Is there a list of vulnerable people? Will feed back at next meeting. Contact Mellisa Stewart ([communitycouncils@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:communitycouncils@argyll-bute.gov.uk))

**ACTION SA -Also copy in Luna to the email for Education.**

Gritting – Glenview to school gate, village loop road, Stronmilchan, Inveraray and back, Cladich loop, B840 hotel and back. Luna responsible for passing this on, this was mentioned to her and agreed to take forward. If Community Hall is an emergency centre can the road be cleared? It cannot then be accessed for this purpose. Can the road to the surgery and hall be adopted but the council?? Contact A&B. Very small section of road off the main route may not be too hard. Can we still remain as an emergency hall if cannot access it. **ACTION: IL – is the kit and plan at the hall?**

**ACTION: CS** As a CC can we have a list of those that need support should it snow again. We already have a list of those vulnerable from Covid times and could utilise this list.

**ACTION: SA** - Power and Communication support through SSEN – funding available for help. Ensure support in power cuts. Can this support be given in times of snowfall? Contact Greig (Resilient Communities fund Scotland).

St.Conans Rd and Glenorchy has no priority.

Recycling – glass bins have been done. Blue bins have not been collected. Will now be with the next Green bin collection.

**ACTION JB – will still update 'All about Dalmally' for road closures. Much appreciated. JB will ask Catriona for other B-roads.**

Correspondence and AOCB

Meeting ended: 21:25

**Date of next meeting: Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @7.30pm**