

**MINUTES of MEETING of BUTE AND COWAL AREA COMMITTEE held in the QUEEN'S HALL,
DUNOON
on TUESDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2009**

Present: Councillor B Marshall (Chair)

Councillor A MacAlister	Councillor L Scoullar
Councillor A McNaughton	Councillor R Simon
Councillor J McQueen	Councillor I Strong
Councillor R Macintyre	

Attending: Shirley MacLeod, Area Corporate Services Manager
David Eaglesham, Area Team Leader, Development Control
John Duncan, Link Manager for Community Services
Richard Gorman, Environmental Health Officer
Mark Lodge, Senior Planning and Strategies Officer
Caroline Sheen, Estates Surveyor
John Irving, Planning Enforcement Officer
Stewart Shaw, Head Teacher, Dunoon Grammar School

1. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor J R Walsh.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

(a) MINUTE OF AREA COMMITTEE OF 13TH JANUARY 2009

The Minute of the Area Committee of 13th January 2009 was approved as a correct record.

4. PRESENTATION BY AREA CHAIR TO MR S DAVIDSON

The Chair presented Mr S Davidson with a Quaich in recognition of his achievements in Sheep Dog Trials over a number of years.

5. COMMUNITY SERVICES

(a) DUNOON GRAMMAR SCHOOL: ACHIEVEMENT REPORT 2008

Members heard an informative presentation from Stewart Shaw, Head Teacher of Dunoon Grammar School on the major achievements of the school in 2007/08 including the SQA examination results for pupils who sat examinations in May/June 2008.

Decision

The Committee noted the continuing improvement in the performance of pupils and the commitment of staff in their examination successes and in the aspects of achievement across the school.

(Reference: Report by the Head Teacher, Dunoon Grammar School – submitted)

6. CORPORATE SERVICES

(a) VERBAL REPORT ON DUNOON - GOUROCK FERRY SERVICE

The Committee heard an update from the Area Corporate Services Manager on the Gourock/Dunoon Ferry Service.

Decision

The Committee noted the detail provided on this matter

(b) BUTE & COWAL AREA PLAN

Members heard from the Area Corporate Services Manager on the Bute & Cowal Area Plan.

Decision

The Committee agreed to the recommendation in the report by the Area Corporate Services Manager, and noted that the plan would be recommended for approval by the Council in February 2009 as part of the Council's budget setting process.

(Reference: Report by the Area Corporate Services Manager – submitted)

7. PUBLIC AND COUNCILLOR QUESTION TIME

Brian Chennell spoke on behalf of EnviroKirn about the amount of litter in Kirn during School lunch times. Stewart Shaw advised that he would be happy to meet a representative from EnviroKirn, the Environmental Warden and Councillors to discuss a solution to the problem.

Anne Gabriel, Dunoon Community Council asked for a definite date on when the Milton Burn Flood Prevention Scheme would start and was advised that preparatory work had already started.

Councillor Simon expressed his concern over the state of the roads in Marine Parade, Kirn and Rankin's Brae, Sandbank and was advised that the Assistant Roads & Amenity Services Manager would be attending the Business Day in February to update Members on these, and other matters.

John Duncan advised Members that he was the Link Manager for Community Services (Social Work) and if they had any queries or didn't know who to contact then to speak to him.

8. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

(a) **REPORT ON LOCH LOMOND AND THE TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK CONSULTATIVE DRAFT LOCAL PLAN**

The Committee heard from the Senior Planning and Strategies Officer on the Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park Consultative Draft Local Plan.

Decision

The Committee agreed to recommendation 2.2 in the report by the Senior Planning and Strategies Officer, and noted that the report would be referred to the Executive Committee on 19th February 2009.

(Reference: Report by the Senior Planning and Strategies Officer – submitted)

(b) **PLANNING APPLICATION 08/01513/DET, MR & MRS A BARKER, LAND BETWEEN TIGH NA RUEL AND LOCHHEAD COTTAGE, GLENDARUEL**

Councillor Simon intimated his apologies and left the meeting for this item.

Decision

The planning application be approved subject to conditions contained in the report by the Head of Planning Services.

(Reference: Report by the Head of Planning Services dated 15th January 2009 – submitted)

(c) **CHANGE OF USE APPLICATION 08/01759/COU, STEWART SHAW LTD, YARD 4A COLBECK PLACE, COLBECK LANE, ROTHESAY, ISLE OF BUTE**

Decision

The change of use application be approved subject to conditions contained in the report by the Head of Planning Services and with the inclusion of an additional condition:-

Storage of building materials within this yard should not take place above a height of 2.5m.

(Reference: Report by the Head of Planning Services dated 26th January 2009 – submitted)

- (d) **NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT 08/01995/NMA, HEATHER MONTEITH, FLAT 4, CRAIGIENURE FLATS, SHORE ROAD, INNELLAN**

Decision

The non-material amendment be approved subject to conditions contained in the report by the Head of Planning Services.

(Reference: Report by the Head of Planning Services dated 26th January 2009 – submitted)

- (e) **DELEGATED DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AND BUILDING CONTROL DECISIONS**

The Committee noted Delegated Development Control and Building Control Decisions made since the last meeting.

9. EXEMPT ITEMS

- (a) **LEASE OF SITE AT DUNOON STADIUM**

Members heard from the Estates Surveyor on the lease of a site at Dunoon Stadium.

Decision

The Committee agreed to support the request made to the Council, subject to detailed agreement on current terms and conditions.

(Reference: Report by the Head of Legal and Protective Services dated 26th January 2009 and 3rd February 2009 – submitted and tabled)

- (b) **ENFORCEMENT REPORTS**

Decision

Enforcement Reports:-

08/00261/ENFOTH1 – No further action

08/00195/ENFOTH – No further action

Quarterly Enforcement Report – Noted