

## **Campbeltown CC Report for MAKI**

**Kintyre Recycling** The Community Council (CC) were very disappointed that Argyll & Bute Council (A & B) had opted to terminate their contract with Kintyre Recycling Limited (KRL) for kerbside collection. This despite the fact that it was more cost effective than the in-house option. In addition, it has put at risk 19 jobs at a time of high unemployment in the town and particularly when many of the workforce, who were happy in their work, have barriers to work that would make it difficult for them to find alternative employment. Their subsequent unemployment could affect other budgets within A & B. Campbeltown CC were particularly annoyed that this was done without consultation.

**Campbeltown Roads** While the CC welcomes the proposed resurfacing of High Askomil, Roding and Glebe Street, they are very concerned about the state of other roads within the town. Kintyre 66 is marketing Campbeltown as a tourist area, yet the main road along the Esplanade is in extremely poor condition and not a good advert for tourism. Among other roads within the town boundary, Burnbank Street and Ralston Road require urgent attention.

**Education** The CC is seriously concerned with the state of the buildings at Dalintober Primary School. A & B promised a survey of the building over a year ago but this has still not been made available. It was considered that A & B should start planning for a new primary school for the town, as this building is no longer fit for purpose.

**Cycle Route from Campbeltown to Machrihanish** The CC agreed to work with Robbie Semple, Kintyre Wheelers, and A & B to campaign for a safe walking/cycle route from the town to Machrihanish and to Sound of Kintyre.

**Robert Black Memorial Helipad** The CC have been supporting this development and are delighted with the progress made by all the contractors. This should be open by early April. Congratulations and well done to Stuart McLellan.

**Campbeltown Cross** The renovation of the Cross has now been completed despite the lack of support from A & B with the exception of James Lafferty, who has been outstanding.

**Surf Award** James Lafferty and his team are to be congratulated on their hard work, which led to Campbeltown being named Most Improved town in Scotland.

**Campbeltown Community Windfarm Trust (CCWT)** has now been accepted by OSCR as a charitable organization.

**Community Action Plan** The CC is working with Inspiralba and South Kintyre Development Trust (SKDT) to produce an Action Plan, which accurately reflects the needs of the local community.