

Campbeltown CC Report for MAKI Jan 24

Trench Point Path

In 2021, following representation from members of the public to Campbeltown Community Council about the poor state of the core path between Trench Point and Baraskomil and the unsafe nature of the bridge thereon, the upgrade of this path was identified in the Campbeltown Community Action Plan. Initially it was thought that this project could be part of Campbeltown's celebration of the Queen's Jubilee in 2022. However, accessing funding has taken longer than anticipated and it was only at the end of 2023 that we secured funding to upgrade the path.

The work on the path started on Monday 16th January 2024 and the path will be out of use for approximately 6 weeks. The path will be 1.5 m wide with a compacted aggregate spread to leave a smooth surface and should link with the path at Slatyfarlan Sewage works.

Democracy Matters

In response to the Scottish Government's request to consult with our local community about the future of Local governance, Campbeltown CC held a public meeting on Tuesday 17th January 2024. While the numbers attending were disappointing, those present did have some interesting discussions and ideas.

Campbeltown Pharmacy

With the closure of the Main Street branch of Boots Pharmacy, the remaining pharmacy in Longrow has come under sustained pressure to cope with the volume of prescriptions. Many members of the public have complained about the long waiting times to receive their medicines, stock availability etc. Fortunately, three young pharmacists have indicated that they would like to open a pharmacy in Campbeltown. There was a good turnout at our Community Council meeting to find out about the proposed new pharmacy, when the pharmacists provided more information. The crux of this journey is the upcoming public consultation questionnaire by the Health Board. It is hoped that the Highland Health Board will listen to the need of our community and will expedite the opening of this much needed additional pharmacy in Campbeltown.

Roads

"Campbeltown CC is concerned at the state of the road surface on the Esplanade and request that it is included in the coming year's road budget."

This was copied from the March 2020 MAKI report and still the Esplanade has not been resurfaced. The road surface is getting worse.