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## MINUTES of MEETING of KINTYRE INITIATIVE WORKING GROUP held in the TOWN HALL, CAMPBELTOWN on FRIDAY, 13 DECEMBER 2013

### Present:

(Chair)

Councillor Rory Colville

Councillor Robin Currie

Councillor Anne Horn

Councillor Donald Kelly

Councillor John McAlpine

### Attending

Stephen Doogan

Argyll and Bute Council

Stuart Green

Argyll and Bute Council

Donald Clelland

Argyll and Bute Council

Roland Pullen

Tree of Life

Norman Weir

SKDT

Margaret Wallace

AVA

Susan Paterson

KFCC, PPF

John Mactaggart

Campbeltown Berthing

Company

John Bakes

Southend CC

Jim Martin

Campbeltown CC

Donald Melville

Business Gateway

Jane Mayo

Campbeltown Community

Business

Jane McCallum

Logan Air

Malcolm MacMillan

MACC

Alan Reid MP

### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were intimated by:-

Councillor John Semple

Michael Russell MSP

Jamie McGrigor MSP

Pauline Houston

Stewart Clark

Martin Gorringer

David Roberts

Ann Gallacher

John Lamont

Dhonna McCallum – Argyll College

Darlene Russell – Argyll College

Harvard Davis

## **2. MINUTES**

The Minute of the previous meeting held on 25 October 2013 was approved as a true record. This was moved by Councillor Horn and seconded by Councillor Colville.

Cllr Currie stated that he had previously requested that Carradale be on the Agenda for group discussion and also representation from HIE.

Decision

The group agreed:

That Carradale would be on the February Agenda for further discussion  
That a representative from HIE would be requested to attend the meeting

## **3. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no Matters Arising.

## **4. DIVERSE AND THRIVING ECONOMY**

### **(a) FUTURE INITIATIVES - STRENGTHENING LINKS WITH NORTHERN IRELAND**

Discussion followed in regards future links with Northern Ireland and that the KIWG have further discussion to decide on areas of commonality. Stuart Green updated the group on future funding from the EU and advised that the criteria for applications would perhaps be tighter as well as being oversubscribed due to the ongoing financial constraints in the European community.

The Chair thanked Stuart for his update

Decision

The groups agreed that this item would remain on the Agenda for further discussion.

### **(b) PARTNER UPDATES**

HIE:

There was no update from HIE, due to David Roberts being unable to attend due to ill health.

Business Gateway:

Donald Melville provided an update to the group and advised that development grants for small business were now available. However, the grant was available for existing businesses, not for 'start-ups'. He also noted that these grants unfortunately excluded retail businesses.

Picture House:

Jane Mayo updated the group on the Cinema Centenary project and that they were hoping to appoint a project manager and an organisational development manager.

They were hoping to appoint an architect at the end of January who would oversee the project design.

She reported that cinema numbers were down and encouraged more participation where possible. The Christmas programme was on the website. Jane also highlighted that the Picture House could be used for functions of various types and encouraged everyone to contact her in this regard.

SKDT:

Stuart Green informed the group of the progress being made at the Town Hall. He advised that funding had been secured and James Lafferty was meeting with the Design team. Where possible, SKDT would use local contractors and the envisaged timetable for works was:-

Transfer of title to SKDT - May 2014

Work to commence - June 2014

The Chair advised that the final design had been completed and was within budget.

Councillor Kelly voiced concerns regarding the existing businesses on Cross St who would be inconvenienced by the forthcoming works and requested that a review be undertaken to assist these businesses during the Town Hall renovations.

The Chair replied that SKDT were still reviewing the final details and he advised that a meeting with local businesses would be scheduled.

Duncan Clelland updated the group on forthcoming events which would be held as follows:-

27 January Islay

14 February Campbeltown

18 February Tarbert

Duncan advised that the Third Sector grants would be available and the total amount available this round was 35k. Application forms were available on line

Councillor Kelly suggested that the KIWG could use the Community Centre for future meetings whilst the Town Hall was out of commission due to renovations. Councillor Horn continued that venues should also be considered out with Campbeltown.

Further discussion ensued and the suggestion was made that Duncan Clelland could perhaps collate a map highlighting existing community assets for community use

The group agreed that the Chair would review other venues with

Duncan with the possibility of bringing a short report to the KIWG for their consideration.

### **Decision**

The group agreed:

To note the updates provided  
That updates be provided for Kintyre House and possible flood risk at Ferry Road, Tayinloan

## **5. INFRASTRUCTURE THAT SUPPORTS SUSTAINABLE GROWTH**

### **(a) PIERS AND HARBOURS**

Cllr Kelly informed the group that despite requests to Transport Scotland by the Ferry Sub-Group, they were unable to change the timetable for next year. The Chair advised that there was a need to strengthen existing groups and coordinate links and resources accordingly. Discussion followed regarding air links with Northern Ireland and Jane McCallum updated the group on Logan air routes to Ireland. The Chair welcomed any ideas and suggestions from the group

### **Decision**

The group agreed that Piers and Harbours would remain on the Agenda  
That the Marine Operations manager would be alerted to the slippery condition and bad lighting at Tayinloan Pier  
That the Ferry Subgroup would be on the February Agenda for discussion at the meeting  
That Jane McCallum would provide the detail of scheduled Logan air flights to Ireland.

### **(b) ATTENDANCE BY TRANSPORT SCOTLAND AT FUTURE KIWG MEETING - DISCUSSION**

The Chair enquired if the group wished to invite a representative from Transport Scotland to attend a future KIWG meeting.

### **Decision**

The group agreed that an invite be proffered to Transport Scotland to attend a future meeting.

### **(c) CAMPBELTOWN AIRPORT**

There was no update from HIAL.

### **(d) ROAD ISSUES - INCLUDING UPDATE ON A83**

There was no representative from Roads at the meeting. However,

Stewart Clark had provided the following update for the group.

A meeting has taken place with Transport Scotland and the Council in regard the re- trunking of the A83. The envisaged handover being - Spring/Summer 2014. The road classification will also take in Park Square, Kinloch Road and Hall St to New Quay).

It was suggested that members of the group should be aware that trunking the road in this manner means that the road from the pier through the town will no longer be under Council control and that there were implications to this.

(e) **CHORD**

Stuart Green advised that the project at 13-15 Kirk Street was nearing completion and plans were being made to extend the THI. He continued that with the Town Hall renovation work and work on Main Street – there would be 2 major projects being undertaken at the same time, hence the concern mentioned above at Item 4 (b) – Partner updates.

(f) **RENEWABLES: UPDATE MAP WINDFARM SEMINAR**

The Chair updated the group on the Windfarm Seminar held in Lochgilphead – 11 December.

Discussion followed in regards holding a similar event in Campbeltown with representation from the Economic Development Team

**Decision**

The group agreed

That Stuart Green would liaise with the Economic Development Team in regards a seminar in Campbeltown

That Stephen Doogan would provide a briefing note on the MAP Windfarm Seminar and distribute to the KIWG before the next meeting.

(g) **BROADBAND AND MOBILE PHONE ISSUES - RELATING TO PENINVER AND SADDELL**

Norman Weir tabled a short report which updated the group on local Broadband issues.

**Decision**

That Alan Reid MP would make contact with the Community Broadband Scotland regarding issues highlighted.

That both Roland Pullen and Norman Weir would attend the February KIWG meeting.

(h) **MACHRIHANISH COMMUNITY FACILITY**

Malcolm MacMillan updated the group on progress to date at

Machrihanish Community Facility. These included the completion of new water supply, new central administrative offices, potential for new events in 2014, 2 new tenants and a visit by Creative Scotland. He also informed Members of a forthcoming event being held by Kintyre Agriculture Society in December. He anticipated the completion of a further 5 new leases in 2014 and detailed that MACC would be implementing a new marketing strategy and thanked both Argyll and Bute Council and HIE for help and support received to date.

**6. EDUCATION, SKILLS AND TRAINING - MAXIMISING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL**

**(a) ARGYLL COLLEGE - PARTNER UPDATE**

An update was tabled from Argyll College.

**7. PEOPLE LIVE ACTIVE, HEALTHIER AND INDEPENDENT LIVES**

**(a) KINTYRE WAY - PARTNER UPDATE**

There was no update from Kintyre Way.

**8. PEOPLE LIVE IN SAFER AND STRONGER COMMUNITIES**

**(a) EXCEPTION REPORT - COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM**

The report would be distributed with the Minute.

**9. MAKI COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**

**(a) MAKI COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP - MEETING DATE**

The next MAKI CPG meeting was scheduled for:-

4 December, 2013 – 2.00p.m.

The venue for the meeting would be the Town Hall, Campbeltown.

**10. ALIGNMENT WITH MAKI CPP - TERMS OF REFERENCE AND NAME**

The Terms of Reference and the covering paper would be distributed with the Minute.

**11. A.O.B.**

Councillor Horn raised the issue of the Argyll and Bute Long Term Outcomes - People Life active, healthier and independent lives and suggested that an invitation be made to NHS Highland to attend a future KIWG meeting. She also enquired when local Community Councils would receive their Emergency kit bags.

Councillor Kelly affirmed that every local Community Council should be in receipt of the Emergency kit. Stephen Doogan agreed to raise this issues with the Business Improvement Manager, Communities.

Councillor Currie made the suggestion that perhaps the KIWG agenda should have fewer items to enable the group to give fuller discussion and enable more focus on issues.

Councillor Kelly also put forward the suggestion that additional partners

should be invited to meetings and perhaps extend the meeting length

Decision

The group agreed that Donnie Cameron NHS locality manager would be invited to a future KIWG meeting.

The group agreed that the Chair would review the issue of amending the Agenda format and meeting length.

The group agreed that Stephen Doogan would raise this issue with the Business Improvement Manager, Communities

The Chair thanked the group for the attendance and updates.

## **12. MEETING DATES FOR 2014**

The group gave consideration to the meeting dates for 2014 and agreed that the February meeting would be held on 14 February to coincide with the CPP Depopulation and Regeneration event.

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