

**ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING OF MID ARGYLL PARTNERSHIP
held in DALRIADA HOUSE, LOCHGILPHEAD
on TUESDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2004**

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Alison Hay, Councillor McAlpine, Councillor Robertson, Margaret McVicar, Eric Box, Roddy McLeod, South Knapdale Community Council, The Argyllshire Advertiser, Wilma Detmer

2. WELCOME

Donnie MacMillan welcomed all to the meeting and introduced Liz Cockhill on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce and James Anderson-Bickley on behalf of the Forestry Commission. Brent has now moved on and it was agreed that Deirdre will write him a letter of thanks for his advice and assistance over the past few years.

3. MINUTES OF MEETING OF 18th MAY 2004

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th May 2004 were approved.

4. FORESTRY COMMISSION – JAMES ANDERSON-BICKLEY

- i. Four new apprentices in forest management have been appointed in Lochgilphead, two working in the Cairnbaan area, one in Dalavich and one in Kintyre. Two of these recruits are local and two from outside Argyll and Bute.
- ii. A new 2 kilometre mountain bike trail near Kilmichael has been created and has been enthusiastically received by the Mid-Argyll Mountain Bike Club. A guided tour of the trail will be held during the forthcoming Dalriada Festival on 25th September 2004.
- iii. Ian MacIntyre asked if there had been progress on the Kintyre Walk, as it seemed to be taking longer than anticipated because of problems regarding land ownership. The Forestry Commission were keen to progress this and James will report back to the next meeting.

(a) Ardrishaig Community Council – Ron Bowe

Ron Bowe presented his report (attached)

- i. With regard to the Lochgilphead Wastewater Treatment Project comment was made regarding possible need for further planning applications and applications to SEPA. It was agreed that Ron would contact SEPA regarding this.
- ii. A reply had been received from OFCOM regarding the TETRA mast. The Area Committee has also taken up the issue and will be writing again to OFCOM, and copies of the letter will be sent to the Community Councils.

(b) Dunadd Community Council – No Report**(c) Inveraray Community Council – No Report****(d) Lochgilphead Community Centre – No Report****(e) South Knapdale Community Council – No Report****(f) West Lochfyne Community Council – No Report****(g) Craignish Community Council – No Report****(h) Furnace Community Council - Written report attached**

The following matters were agreed:-

- i. Question of Council policy on speed limits as they propose a 20mph speed limit on the C36 will be passed to Donnie McLeod for response.
- ii. The Community Council is trying to encourage more use of the playing field.
- iii. Friends of the Furnace continue to hold regular meetings.
- iv. There is a need for street lighting in certain areas. Bear to be asked for a response.

(i) Tarbert & Skipness Community Council – Ian MacIntyre

- i. Still trying to persuade BEAR / Scottish Executive to provide a new crossing near the Co-op
- ii. Car parking – Tarbert attracts various events throughout the year and the availability of parking at this times is limited. Possibility of in-fill in harbour but this is likely to cost prohibitive unless some partnership or funding could be found. If solutions cannot be found it is feared that events such as the Scottish Series may be lost to another place.

This matter to be referred to Area Committee.

(j) North Knapdale Community Council – No Report

6. STRATHCLYDE POLICE – No Report

7. BRITISH WATERWAYS – No Report

8. COMMUNITY CARE ISSUES

Although unable to attend Wilma reported that the respite house was being very well used.

9. LOCHGILPHEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE

The next meeting is to be held on 14th September 2004. Although already discussed the current aim is to meet the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act.

10. COUNCIL REPORTS

(a) Operational Services – Roads and Amenity Services – No Report

(b) Community Services – Education and Housing and Social Work

- i. Felicity Kelly said that there had been a new appointment of Childrens Services Worker under the FUSION banner. FUSION focuses on pulling together resources and preventing duplication. South Kintyre examples:
 - Breakfast Clubs
 - Road Safety / Pass Plus for young drivers
 - Homework Clubs
 - Mentoring Support in secondary schools
 - Preventing exclusions
- ii. Adverts have been placed to recruit part time youth workers in Tarbert to take the project forward. The Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust have allocated money for premises although this is proving difficult and there are concerns that the money will no longer be available if a suitable location is not found.
- iii. Lochgilphead Community Based Adult Learning continuing with the target based programme. Argyll College provides other classes.
- iv. Extension of the Better Neighbourhood Services fund across Argyll and Bute. Note: Following the meeting Moira MacDonald clarified that the Better Neighbourhood Services Fund would be extended to the rest of Argyll and Bute for Disabled Children only.

11. SCOTTISH WATER – No Report

Steven Greenhill to be invited the next meeting.

12. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 16th November 2004 at 10.30am in the Marriage Room, Dalriada House, Lochgilphead. Deirdre will also prepare a suggested list of dates for next year for the next meeting.

SEDERUNT SHEET

MID ARGYLL PARTNERSHIP

14 September 2004

Name	Organisation
Councillor Donnie MacMillan	Argyll & Bute Council
Deirdre Forsyth	Argyll & Bute Council – Corporate Services
Felicity Kelly	Argyll & Bute Council – Community Education
James Anderson-Bickley	Forestry Commission
Ron Bowe	Ardrishaig Community Council
Ian Y MacIntyre	Tarbert & Skipness Community Council
Liz Cockhill	Chamber of Commerce