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SECC MEETING 26 September, draft minutes

Councillor Kieron Green, and two police representatives, PC Alex Ferrier and PC Darren Miller attended the Seil & Easdale Community Council (SECC) meeting held in Seil Island Hall plus 17 members of the public. Apologies were given by PC Jeremy Moore, Julie Ferris (Convener), Charles Struthers, John Gordon, Councillor Elaine Robertson & Councillor Andrew Vennard.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was suggested that the draft minutes of the July meeting did not completely reflect the discussion that had taken place re Scottish Water. The SECC decided that as the minute secretary did not have notes from that meeting, any amendment would be carried forward to the next public meeting.

SCOTTISH WATER (SW)

SW had written to the SECC on 19 September stating that their engineering design team were still completing investigations into alternative access tracks to the proposed option 1A site. SW have also been asked to consider a site location approximately 200 metres to the east. The SECC would arrange an open forum with representatives of SW once the proposals had been received. Three SW related communications were tabled; these, and any other issues raised, would be fully addressed at that forum.

ROADS & BUS SHELTER

Argyll & Bute Council has advised that construction of the bus shelter is going ahead; the base should be constructed in late October/early November.

Charles had not been able to ascertain whether the Knotweed spraying programme has been completed or not as the major players are away on annual leave and no-one else seems to know.

TRAMWAY COTTAGES ROAD ADOPTION

The SECC had sent a formal request to A&B Council to regularise the adoption of the Tramways Cottages road and effect the repair of the broken drain at the entrance to the above road as soon as possible. We await feedback.

HEALTH

There were discussions about defibrillators and a request that the surgery's defibrillator should be available for out-of-hours access. Current defibrillators are located outside of Seil Hall, the doctor's surgery and one on Easdale Island. The Tigh an Truish is anticipating having one and staff will be trained. Ideally, two further defibrillators would

be useful, one at Balvicar Stores and one at Cuan Sound although it was noted that costs have to be managed. George Hannah will speak to the surgery regarding having an outside box.

The Easdale island defibrillator is being replaced and the community has asked for support from SECC funds. Alan to send Anne Marie an invoice for the amount required.

POLICE REPORT

PC Alex Ferrier and PC Darren Miller gave updates on recent police activities in the area. Crimes/offences that have occurred in community area since last meeting:

- 2 persons reported to the PF for Sec 3 Road Traffic Act (careless driving) (1 on Seil, 1 on the A826)
- 1 crime report raised under the Wildlife and Countryside Act for illegal snares (not on Seil island)
- Incidents of note or crime trends: 16 separate road traffic incidents from accidents to loose manhole covers to breakdowns
- 2 separate incidents of people selling items from back of vans
- No incidents or complaints regarding stone skimming.

We were reminded that advice can be provided by contacting your local officer via '101.' Also, Rural Watch is now live and the scheme can be found by logging on to www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk Registration is reasonably simple and if stuck there is a help number.

Planning & Listed Building Consent for Building: New since last meeting

- Erection of detached garage (change to roof covering to that approved under 17/01179/PP from slate to profiled sheet); Cluanie, Balvicar Ref. No: 17/02520/PP Status: Pending Consideration
- Installation of 2 cabinets, 3 antennas & 2 x 0.3 dish antennas; land north of Kilbride Farm Ref. No: 17/02489/TELNOT Status: Pending Consideration
- Installation of replacement windows & doors & replacement of timber facings on existing porch with PVCU; Dunjeain, 37 Ellenabeich Ref. No: 17/02281/PP Status: Pending Consideration
- Erection of conservatory; Cottage 2, Achnaclach, Clachan Seil; Ref. No: 17/02181/PP Status: Application Permitted
- Demolition of extension & erection of replacement extension; Cuan Cottage, Cuan Ferry; Ref. No: 17/02170/PP Status: Application Permitted
- Alterations & extensions to hotel; Tigh An Truish Hotel Clachan Seil; Ref. No: 17/02159/PP Status: Pending Decision
- Internal alterations, replacement of existing flat roof (& two replacement rooflights) & installation of new window in rear extension; 8 Ellenabeich Isle Of Seil Ref. No: 17/01917/LIB Status: Application Permitted

