

MINUTES AGM



Date: 24 November 2022 – 6pm via ZOOM

Topic: AGM & Monthly Regular Meeting

Present: Alex Harvie (Chair), John McHenry (Vice Chair), Duncan Fraser, Gregor Harvie (Adviser), Graham Wallace (Adviser), Angus Campbell, Lorraine Fraser (Cumbrae Forum), Louise Riddex (NAC), Tony L (Police), Cllr Alan Hill, Cllr Ian Murdoch, Callum Corral (Press) and 4 members of the public

Apologies: Keith Hammond (Secretary), John Riggins, Cllr Todd Ferguson, Cllr Tom Marshall, Cllr Eleanor Collier, Sarah Baird (NAC), Thomas Reaney (NAC), Jan Wilkie (CCDC), David Williamson (Golf Club & CCDC), Trish Broadley-Clews (Golf Club), Julie McAleese (Cumbrae Primary), Crawford Gillan (Cumbrae Resilience Group), Iain Morrison (Millport Motors), Angie McCallum (Millport Town Hall), Mark Semple (Police Scotland), Scott Ferris (Isle of Cumbrae Tourism Association)

Welcome Alex H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair declared the meeting quorate. Minutes of 27 Oct approved – see https://cumbrae.org/CCC_Minutes.html
AGM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair’s Report delivered. Saved online – see https://cumbrae.org/2022_November_AGM_report.html
Organisations	
Police Scotland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police Scotland reported 16 incidents since 27 October, including 1 death, and a number of incidents relating to dogs. They confirmed that overnight parking and camping is not an offence, this would require the introduction of a by-law. In the absence of any by-law, the police can only advise people, they cannot enforce.
IOCTA	No report
CCDC, email from Jan W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding has been confirmed for the installation of two EV charge service points within the grounds of Garrison House. Work to be completed by the end of this financial year. CCDC have also secured NAC funding for assistance with funding applications in relation to the raising of funds for much needed repairs to Garrison House. Cumbrae’s Island Delivery Group, encompassing the Carbon Neutral Islands Steering Group met at Garrison House on 15th November. The meeting chaired by Alan Hill, was well attended and discussion took place about the appointment of a Community Development Officer Post for the CNI project. Discussion and proposal of one amendment to the Terms of Reference relating to the Island Delivery Group/Steering Group and the appointment of CCDC as the Anchor Organisation. Garrison House Heat Hub – NAC are funding a ‘Drop In at Garrison House’ on Tuesday 3pm – 7pm, starting next week, offering free soup, tea, coffee, juice etc. All welcome to come and use the facilities including the café and library areas and hopefully more. A meeting is scheduled for next week between John Riggins, David Williamson and Jan to discuss the matter of parking by-laws.
Cumbrae Forum Lorraine F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cumbrae Forum reported that their new website and branding is under development and is likely to launch early in 2023. They outlined of their activities, including issuing vouchers for use on the island, and Christmas boxes for children. They confirmed that their income comes from donations and grants, and they now have a basket for donations for the food bank.
Millport Motors Iain M	No report
Cumbrae Primary	No report
Millport Golf Club	No report
Field Studies Council, Duncan F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FSC reported that they are still having visits from universities and school who are catching up after COVID. They will have had 4.5k visitors this year.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They have had some trees taken down from their grounds, and the boat will be taken out of the water soon. • The FSC will shut on 16 Dec and re-open around 4 Jan.
Ferry Users Group Angus C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FUG confirmed that 5 journey tickets are now available for disabled customers, and the 1 month discount is being reinstated. However the online system has been delayed, and CalMac still want to move to single rather than return tickets. • There are concerns about the plans to rebuild the slip next year, relating to the design and also the provision of the temporary slip. The works will not improve operations compared to now.
Island projects	
Data Graham W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graham W is still waiting for the latest baseline data from NAC, and believes there is an opportunity for more detailed studies, which could better feed into and support the work of the 10-year plan delivery group and the zero carbon islands initiative.
Ten Year Plan	No report
Flood Defence, Gregor H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no progress to report on the flood defences. As far as CCC is aware, the contractor has not been appointed yet.
Marina Graham W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update was posted on the CCC website regarding progress on the Marina. This followed two workshops in October. https://cumbrae.org/2022_November_Marina_update.html • The next consultation meeting is likely to focus on what sort of operating body is required, and this is likely to take place in January.
Town Hall, Angie McC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erection of extension steelworks and roofing works were delayed due to high winds. • Work has started on Phase Two basement internal partitions and frames. • New employment opportunity for a Temporary Development Officer anticipated in the New Year to work on the development of the holiday letting for the project.
Issues	
Planning & licencing, Gregor H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • XLCC have submitted an application for variation of the conditions on the outline planning permission, relating specifically to the requirement for a bond to reinstate the site at the end of the life of the building. • There was a discussion about the granting of a lawful development certificate for the construction yard at Hunterston. There was concern that this may open it up for heavy industrial use in the future.
Carbon Neutral islands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting was held for interested parties to discuss the 10 year plan. This will be followed up by a meeting to discuss the carbon neutral initiative, attended by Community Energy Scotland. • There was a request for meetings to be held in the evening so that working people can attend.
Japanese Knotweed, Gregor H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAC were prevented from completing spraying of the Japanese knotweed by bad weather. They will now not be able to spray until the growing season begins again in 2023. They have obtained equipment with a longer reach to enable them to spray more difficult to access areas of knotweed.
Councillors’ updates - community issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was some discussion about the proposal for an outdoor gym. It was suggested that one of the existing parks might be a better site than Kames Bay. • Gregor H reported that NAC have agreed to change the wording of the ‘no overnight parking’ signs and to install them at the locations identified where motorhomes park. • Councillor Hill discussed proposals for a Cumbrae book festival and asked interested parties to get in touch. • Councillor Murdoch mentioned the possibility of a recycling pilot scheme on the island, but suggested there was no funding available for an amenity site.
Next meeting	Thursday 26 January 2023 6pm via zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9329701663