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Date: 27th June 2024 – 6pm via ZOOM

Topic: Monthly Regular Meeting

Attendance: Angus Campbell (Chair) Duncan Fraser (CCC), Keith Hammond (CCC), John Riggins (CCC), Graham Wallace (Adviser CCC), John Wright (HM Coastguard), Lorraine Fraser, (Cumbrae Forum), Carol Campbell (Cathedral), Scott Watson (Carbon Neutral Island), Jan Wilkie (CCDC), Tempany Grace (Largs and Millport News), Susan MacFadyen (Senior Manager Roads) + 20 members of the public

Apologies: Alex Harvie, John McHenry (CCC), Gregor Harvie (Adviser CCC), Cllr Alan Hill, Cllr Tom Marshall,, Iain Morrison (Millport Motors), Angie McCallum (Millport Town Hall), Ruaridh McIntyre (Millport Golf Club), Thomas Reaney (NAC), Cllr Ian Murdoch, Cllr Todd Ferguson, Julie McAleese (Cumbrae Primary), Canon Alec Boyd (Cumbrae Cathedral)

<p>Welcome Angus C</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair declared the meeting quorate. • No declarations of interest. • Minutes of previous meeting approved https://cumbrae.org/CCC_Minutes.html
<p>Organisations</p>	
<p>Cathedral, Carol C</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Renshaw Architects provided a 10 minute presentation on their plans for the Cathedral which were presented this afternoon at an Open community consultation Event in the College Library • Presentation is publicly available and feedback is being taken over the next month
<p>Police Scotland</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No attendees or report from Police Scotland to this meeting • Alex Harvie has written to the Police to ask for the restoration of the Yellow Phone outside the Police station • Alex Harvie has written to BT to ask to maintain Payphones on the island for emergency calls where people may not have mobiles
<p>HM Coastguard, John W</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restrictions continue to apply to all UK Government departments until after the general election including the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, hence no social media posts from our team until after the election • Operational taskings in June included recovery of a dinghy found adrift by a passing vessel and recovered to Millport Pier, and responding to Jet Ski's operating dangerously in Millport Bay • Navigational marks now being constructed on the edge of the new offshore flood defence rock armour • Big thanks to local drivers for not obstructing the yellow hatched area outside our station when parking for the Waverley at Keppel Pier • Looking ahead to a visit to our station from Cumbrae Youth Club in July, inter-agency training with RNLI and Coastguard helicopter during the summer, and attendance at various local community events like Millport Raft Race
<p>IOCTA, (John R)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report this month
<p>CCDC, Jan Wilkie</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whilst we await delivery of the scaffolding to allow for the works to commence at Garrison House. Our contractors Go-Wright have held a day's specialist training, under the instruction of Masons Mortar who have over 35 years' experience in the repair and conservation of buildings such as ours. A relatively new technique is being used to apply/insert the lime mortar to the stonework as required, to ensure it reaches deep into the walls of Garrison House. • A small compound is being created, north of the Bomb Shelter Toilet Block for the small workforce and all our neighbours have been informed. • Within Garrison House this month we have hosted a Green Homes Systems Event, Online Test Sessions – making it easier for island residents to access online theory, driving tests etc., without the need and expense of travelling to the mainland. Our usual weekly Art, Bible Studies and fortnightly Poetry Group continued to meet at the Garrison and Tuesday's Bank of Scotland Community Banker facility has been extended beyond June for the benefit of our community members. • Lat weekend we had the Classic Car Rally in our grounds with over 120 vehicles for all to enjoy and the event was a huge success and very well attended. • Looking ahead to July, the Garrison is hosting a consultation relating to the planning proposals for the former Cumbrae Watersporst site, we have a small wedding to look forward to and the Round Cumbrae Road Race on the 28th of July when

	<p>runners will make use of Garrison House for registration etc. Then into August when we look forward to hosting the annual Vintage Scooter Rally and Viking Camp as part of the Viking Festival.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will also see a change to our current, Trindelmoor Exhibition with a display of works by Jade Campbell going on display towards the end of July. • Along at our apartments, as we continue to make improvements and upgrades when possible. We are replacing all our TVs with larger, Smart TVs to enhance our clients stay with us. • Finally, CCDC continue to discuss the Marina Project for Cumbrae with members of The Pier & Harbour User Group, CCC and members of our community and I will leave it with Graham to provide a further update, later in this meeting.
Cumbrae Forum (Lorraine Fraser)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are funding an activities week run by KA Leisure for Cumbrae children of Primary school age, from Monday 8th -Friday 12th July and we will be providing each child with a packed lunch. • We have provided all P7 leavers moving to Largs Academy with school uniforms, Some have hoodies, some cardigans, and all have shirts, blouses, or polo shirts. • Along with this we have given each Cumbrae child, of Primary school age, 2x £5 vouchers to spend in 3 local businesses. • Our weekly lunch club is now in Summer recess and will resume again in September.
Millport Motors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report
Millport Golf Club,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report
Cumbrae Primary,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report
Field Studies Council, (Duncan F)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • .Another busy month at the FSC with visitors from all over UK and France. • We have had University groups from Aberdeen, York, Newcastle & Durham • School trips from Glasgow, Edinburgh & London • A few colleagues 7 myself were interviewed for a podcast by Cionnach McLeod know as” The Hebridean Baker “who is doing a series of interviews about Island life on the Scottish Isles, which went very well and will be broadcast at the end of the year. • We also have 50 students from the French International school , Ecole Jeanine Manuel staying this week, they have Private schools in Paris, Lille, & London .The kids have been visiting a Seaweed regeneration in a unit in Kinning Park Glasgow, then up to the Community Wind farm Dalry, and river sampling up the Top & Bottom of the Noddleburn up the Brisbane Glen comparing the difference in water quality. • We also have a lot of refurbishments going on in the Robertson Building & Keppel house. We are moving the Sheena Marshall library as well which houses thousands of books & journals dating back to late 1880’s. no mean feat!!.
Ferry Users Group Angus C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loch Shira delayed until the end of July • Service being provided by Loch Fyne and Loch Tarbert • We have an opportunity to further engage regarding ticketing improvements • Calmac re-structuring their Operational Management to be more community focussed
Millport Bowling Club,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report
Island projects	
Ten Year Plan Cllr Hill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Update
Local Place Plan Gregor Harvie (Email)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following the consultation on the local place plan, we have prepared draft proposals that we have submitted to North Ayrshire Council. When we have received their comments we will publish a draft local place plan to get feedback from the community before preparing a final version. • There have not been any new planning applications
Carbon Neutral Islands, S Watson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently working through Finance Strategy with HIE looking forward to how the project is funded from 2025 and beyond. Initial draft of the Cumbrae Annex for that expected to be completed by 8th July however the full strategy isn't likely to be available until later in the year from HIE and Scottish Government.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cunninghame Housing Association Project is progressing, I recently met with their project manager. Solar, ASHP and insulation measures are hoped to be installed in up to 35 properties in the scheme. Approximately 15 houses have had works either completed or ongoing. • Proposal to extend this with solar PV on 130+ properties through CNI Project has been written and submitted to Scottish Government, HIE and NAC. We are currently exploring the funding options and if possible work could potentially start work on this at the beginning of 2025. • Been in discussion two community organisations on the islands with regards to renewables installations on the buildings towards the end of this year. • Green Home Systems recently won the top award for Small Scale Regional projects at the Scottish Energy Efficiency Awards for their work with the CNI Project in Cumbrae and specifically the projects as the Bowling Club, Golf Club and two churches over the last year. • Dianne continues to work closely with Cumbrae Primary School on achieving their their ECO Schools Green Flag award. • We have reached out to NACs Woodland 2030 to explore the potential of woodland growth on Cumbrae. The Land Use Change and Carbon Capacity work that was conducted at the beginning of this year has helped us identify a few potential sites for this so we are at the stage of speaking with landowners and hopefully there will be some opportunities with this once the winter planting season starts.
Town Hall, by email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final fix work has progressed in the three holiday flats • Intumescent painting of the glulam beams is virtually completed to give fire protection. • Wainscotting is being fitted to the lesser town hall with the main hall to follow. • Drainage channels have been dug from the back of the building to the main water and sewage outlets.
Flood Prevention, Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative from Flood Defence Team attended • The next newsletter update will be with the community week commencing 8th July. We will post locally on the island (Garrison Reception, PIU on Glasgow Street and the church, going forward) as well as the Calmac Office in Largs. We also email a distribution list which includes the CCC so that they can upload the details to their Facebook page • Full updates to the project plans will not be ready until week commencing 8th July. The current expectation is for footpaths to be open to the public from the toilet block to Kames Bay for the end of July, plus the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Marine Parade – end of August ○ Millburn/ Crichton Street – end of August ○ Full completion date is the end of September • Grassed areas are to be reinstated as per the contract with type 4 grass seed. Works for seeding will start within the next period. Grass needs to remain out of use until grass has taken • The fairy lighting is ready for the council to connect along Glasgow street. Expected connection week commencing 1st July • For the bay at Cosy Corner, including the disabled ramp, and have been advised that unfortunately we cannot provide access until the work is fully finished, so this area will remain closed to the public until August in line with the road closures on Millburn Street/ Crichton Street
Marina, Graham W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting has been arranged with the CCDC Board on 8 July to discuss the development of the community’s business case which will be needed for the submission of a bid to become the operator of the marina. • Also looking at funding opportunities to assist with any associated costs of putting such a bid together
Issues arising	
Planning & licencing,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new planning Applications received over the last month for Cumbrae. There are planning applications for the oil rig yard at Hunterston rig yard

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre Planning Consultation on the Watersports centre by LMA Architects to create for refurbishment of the existing buildings and creation of 34 Glamping Pods is available l-m-a.co.uk. First stage consultation 1st to 7th July online with a in person consultation at the Garrison on 1st July 12pm to 7pm, and a second stage from 1st to 7th August with a further in person event on the 1st August 12pm to 7pm
<p>Island issues (Thomas Reaney) NAC Email</p>	<p>Flower Beds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Several Flower beds have been adopted by Island Groups who have arranged to plant them. NAC are providing some perennial Plants A priority List and map of flower beds have been identified by the community (Rena / Sandra MacIntyre) Alex Harvie and Thomas Reaney are having further discussion on linking the community group to NACs limited ability to plant and maintain the flower beds. <p>Palm Trees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAC are planning to plant additional palm trees following completion of the flood defence works. Locations can be recommended based on community feedback
<p>Councillors' updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Councillors attended or provided any updates
<p>AOB</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alastair Guild suggested (by email) that a request be made to consider twinning with an island such as Samsø, Denmark. He visited Samsø about 5 years ago and believe that Cumbrae could learn from Samsø and that a twinning could also be useful for Samsø. It could result in all kinds of interesting exchanges, cultural, economic, educational, technological and inter personal
<p>Next meeting</p>	<p>Thursday 29th August 6pm on Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83741044820</p>