

Meeting date: Thursday 25 September 2025, 6pm via Zoom

Attendance: Alex Harvie (Chair), Duncan Fraser (CCC), Robert Wilson (CCC), Graham Wallace (Adviser CCC), Jan Wilkie (CCDC), John Wright (HM Coastguard), Lorraine Fraser (Cumbrae Forum), Jennifer Neilson (Cumbrae Primary School), Carol Campbell (Cathedral), Scott Watson (CNI), Cllr Eleanor Collier, + members of the public, 18 total

Apologies: Angus Campbell (CCC), Kari Lundie (CCC), John McHenery (CCC), Gregor Harvie (Adviser CCC), Millport Motors, Angie McCallum (Millport Town Hall)

	Recording of the meeting available online: https://youtu.be/sg9JCLqmEQo
Welcome Alex H	<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
Discussion: Wee Cumbrae	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perusal consultancy are supporting the charity which has taken the lease on Wee Cumbrae for the next 25 years. They are keen to link with the community about their plans. Cumbrae Primary is applying for a grant to work with the Field Studies Council to provide some outdoor learning experiences for the children. Issue – cost of bringing people across to the island. Action - Cllr Collier to connect them with business support in NAC.
Police Scotland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report
Coastguard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capsizing of fishing vessel – investigation to follow. Coastguard on TV last night. September weekend with Boys' Brigade.
IOCTA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caleigh and talent show cancelled due to lack of available space, everything else ready.
CCDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At Garrison House last week, the first of the four selected areas were water tested. The first being on the west elevation, outside the library, there was no water ingress reported. Within the Garrison, on Sunday 14th September we hosted the Round Cumbrae Road Race Team and the hundreds of runners. A more relaxing event took place the following weekend with a Workshop by artist Michelle Winslow, whose exhibition is currently on display at the Garrison. This weekend as we all look forward to September Weekend, we have what will be a very busy Craft Fayre (12noon - 4pm). The Motorhome Site is fully booked. Pit Stop Funding Award Letters have been signed and contractors advised. It is hoped that all works will be completed by the end of this financial year. Aim to secure funding to purchase the West Lodge from Cunninghame Housing Association has had a successful Stage One outcome securing £3,050 for the carrying out of a Valuation and a Condition Survey. It is hoped that these surveys will be completed in the early part of 2026. Holiday apartments at 8 Quayhead - Clach apartment has had upgrading of the shower room and the installation of a new water boiler. Winter maintenance programme is now being pulled together, and the Board will continue to look at future improvements being made in our other apartments over the next 12 months. Question from the community on timing of the gym – met KA Leisure this week, drawings have been submitted, timings not yet given.
Cumbrae Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lunch Club has started.
Millport Golf Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report
Cumbrae Primary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities have started including outdoor table tennis with ARIA grant, table tennis also in Town Hall, hoping to do curling.
Field Studies Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Busy month, schools including Glasgow High, St Andrews, universities including Dusseldorf. This weekend large religious group means they are unable to take Scottish Country Dancing.
FUG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report

Key island projects	
CNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rooftop solar project, procurement of solar battery project, feasibility of car park.
Millport Town Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Thursday 22 October at 11 am. • Ongoing volunteer painting alongside some employments for local people in the push to get the building ready.
Marina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work ongoing.
Cathedral	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiting for Court of Sessions to allow 1850 deed of trust to move to charitable vehicle.
North Ayrshire Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second home council tax – CCC has been invited to speak at NAC Cabinet meeting Wednesday 8 October 2025. • Most of Knotweed sprayed 19 Sept – note that the team asked for a longer lance last year as well. Action: CCC to chase. • Meeting pending on the overnight parking
Planning applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solar Farm - consultancy has been on the island, no contact with CCC yet. • Field Studies Council on Marine Parade - removal of spalling render and replacement with vertical grey cladding to match other buildings plus same grey cladding to the central upper floor wall areas. • Rear of G/2 20 George Street - alterations to an existing window to form French doors, a landing and steps. • 4A Kames Bay - the formation of a dormer extension and installation of new rooflight windows, solar panels and an external spiral staircase. • High voltage cable manufacturing facility at the Former Coal Terminal Hunterston - the developer is proposing a revised scheme that includes changes to the factory layout, a reduction in the overall factory footprint, and changes to the dimensions of the high extrusion tower. This means that a new planning permission is required. They are currently proposing that two in-person public exhibitions will be held on 09 October 2025 and 06 November 2025 at Fairlie Village Hall KA29 OAD, between 16:00 and 19:00. Final dates and times will be confirmed in due course when they are finalised. A consultation website will also be available at https://www.xlcchunterston.com/ • New design for the ferry slip and infrastructure approved. In response to public comments, design revised to be fully enclosed with a new glazed entrance door area included to the western side of the building.
Councillors - Cllr Collier	<p>XLCC doesn't have funding. Work to get NAC to respond on overnight parking, hope to have round table. Speed sign now fixed.</p>
AOB	<p>Review of Scheme of Establishment - delay to elections to next autumn New noticeboard – call for content</p>
Next meeting	Thursday 30 Oct 2025, 6pm via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87144169179