

Oban Community Council

Minutes of Oban Community Council meeting held on the 25th September 2017 at 7pm at the Rockfield Centre, Stevenson St, Oban

1.Present: SEP Community Councillors: M Malloy(MM), J MacFarlane(JMF) J Anfield(JA), D Martin(DM), K MacColl(KMC), S McIver(SMI)

Argyll and Bute Councillors: R McCuish(RMC), A Vennard(AV), K Green(KG)

Police: C Law(CL)

Public: K MacLellan(KML

Health: C Henderson(CM), P MacLeod(PML)

Apologies: D Gallant(DG), K Winton(KW), E Robertson(ER)

- 2. The following declarations of interest were duly noted and recorded. None.
- 3. Police Report: CL reported some vandalism to cars. A few incidents in licensed premises. 23/9 a serious knife assault, with no danger to the general public.

Neighbourhood watch scheme for Oban/Dunbeg. Contact A Simpson for more information.

- 4. The minutes were duly approved for accuracy.
- 5. Matters arising from minutes of the previous meeting: McKelvie Rd planning application for shop has been withdrawn by developer, due to objections.

KMC still no bin on Gibraltar St. KML no bins from Rockfield up to the Distillery. RMC this is because of convenience of emptying. KG live streaming of council meetings, a motion on this at Thursdays council meeting.

MM quote in from Soroba Play park. £300 agreed from OCC.

- 6. Public questions and issues: KML Confidential document was leaked to the Sunday Herald. E-mailed all 8 OLI councillors on the matter and received 7 replies. RMC document was only given to the Area Committee.
- 7. Parking consultation: DM read the response from Stuart Watson. OCC to put in a formal objection. Should be addressing parking in residential streets first.
- 8. Councillor reports: AV spoke again of the changes to education. RMC Soroba Rd £40,000 of work to be done over 5 days. Busy planning committee meeting. KG Been busy on social and home care. Need to watch out for centralisation. Lynn of Lorn had a bad report so watching that. KMC Even 10/15 years ago there were rumours on cutbacks, suggesting that consultants travelling was wasting time. KG we need to avoid a situation where people are unable to afford to travel for treatment. RMC meeting with Transport Minister Humza Yousaf to discuss the trunk road. The Royal Marines visit to Dunbeg and Rockfield it is disappointing and embarrassing that they are not allowed to bring guns into the schools. If parents are informed then it can be up to them if their children take part. JMF its part of their uniform. Locality health forum meets next week.
- 9. Health and Social Care: PML Lynn of Lorn issued with a formal enforcement order. Having fortnightly improvement meetings. RMC visited to see what was happening. A new manager and more staff to help with improvements. PML Mears home care have formally given notice. There staff will be tupeed over to the other care companies. There are staffing problems, there are 2,000 hrs to cover. Action plan in place to ensure no missed visits. Huddle each day to discuss problems. Response team in place, with help from Helensburgh if needed. Spot checks are being done and an e-mail alert system is n place. RMC mapping movements is a great thing. KG an internal service here would be a great thing but it comes down to cost. Health and Social care partnership has a over spend of 4.4m. CH an internal service would still have problems like staffing. Recruitment is a problem, with low unemployment in the area. PML on staffing we are trying to make sure all care providers have the same rates, terms and conditions.
- 10. Hospital update: CH Plan for the future group meeting on Friday to discuss a draft report. Final report in October to management for sign off. Hospital has physician post and interviews will take place in October. Recruiting for a half time post. There are candidates and some one will be recruited. More generalists are being trained as it has now been recognised that this is needed. Putting models of working in place to attract more to the

posts. Scottish Government are putting money forward to help reduce out patients waiting times. MacMillan unit a great success. Oncologist visit once a month. Using e-mail and video to keep in touch. Open day on the 28th October at the hospital to let people see what happens at the hospital. MM more transparency a great thing. Meetings with Dr Thorp very helpful also. DM number of beds? CH 46. With 6 McMillan day beds and 6 day care. CH still people in hospital waiting on care packages. Waiting lists need work. 18 week wait for Chronic pain. Orthopaedics has a long list, trying to improve this. Using pictures electronically can be one way of alleviating these lists. Nationally there is a shortage of ENT/Dermatology consultants. KMC I have attended the hospital on 6 occasions, always been seen quickly and efficiently.

- 11. Community Council Review: DM Disappointed that the document did say no boundary changes. Written to say Auction Mart not in our area. Also area above Dunbeg in Oban should really be in Dunbeg. Now need to make a formal response one this. As a statutory consultee the area needs to be relevant. RMC All 3 CC's should comment. DM to contact Dunbeg and Kilmore and Kilbride.
- 12.Defibrillator: MM I was led to believe this would not cost us money. I have received an e-mail from ER on how to obtain funding. Thought all funding was in place. DM I think we were being asked about the maintenance. Need to find out where we are on this.
- 13. AOCB: AGM 30th October 2017. KMC spoke of the beach front which is overgrown with weeds. RMC Get a letter to the Chair of the Area committee to help move this along. Also Ganavan. JMF M&S and Premier Inn do they have planning? RMC yes planning is through. Need to find out when Premier Inn plan to start building, that area could be used for parking. MM Area committee meeting very good. It was well attended but some only there for their own benefit. KML I was there to ask about live streaming of meetings. But had 2/3 questions which I didn't get time to ask. Pilgrimage gentleman talked for ages.KMC should allocate 10 to 15 minutes for each speaker. KG perhaps contact the Chair.