

## LISMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2012, at Lismore Public Hall

1. Present: Archie McGillivray (Chair), John Carmichael, Mark Willis  
Attending: Cllr Elaine Robertson
2. Apologies: John MacCormick, Jim MacCormick, Peter MacDougall, Mandie Currie
3. Minutes of previous meeting: Proposed by John Carmichael; Seconded by Mark Willis. The minutes were adopted as a true and accurate record.
4. Matters arising: All issues were dealt with elsewhere in the agenda.
5. New correspondence
  - a. Minutes of the Oban, Lorn and Isles Locality Public Partnership Forum, NHS Highland /Argyll and Bute CHP: The minutes were noted. These make reference to the importance for health services of both ferry routes (at the Achnacroish and Point), and to the emergency planning exercise that took place on Lismore
  - b. National Planning Framework – A Plan for Scotland – Ambition, Opportunity, Place: The Scottish Government is seeking views from stakeholders on what should be contained in the National Planning Framework 3 (NPF3) and have invited input via a questionnaire. LCC did not submit a response but will input to the process if there are other opportunities in future. Further details can be found on [www.scotland.gov.uk/npf3](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/npf3)
  - c. Community Land Scotland – Argyll and Bute seminar, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2012, Corran Halls
  - d. Letter of introduction from Constable Karen Watson, Safer Communities, Strathclyde Police, who will be a point of contact in the police for the preparation and implementation of the Community Emergency Plan

#### 6. Ferries - updates

The Council have advised that a tariff including season tickets for the passenger ferry will not be possible. LCC should write to the Council to discuss further and to request a review of rotas in order to enable an extension of the sailing times, and the possibility of renovating the ferry to allow it to carry fuel. **Action: Secretary to contact Council**

The reduced capacity on the vehicle ferry is causing great concern on the island, as the lower weight limit will create significant problems for islanders, particularly farmers bringing in feed and sending livestock to market; carrier services and house builders. A meeting with Calmac must be organised as soon as possible to identify solutions. **Action: Secretary**

Car parking at Point – registration numbers of vehicles left for long periods at Point will be collected and passed to the Council so that letters can be sent to the owners requesting removal. **Action: LCC members**

Life belts at both ferry points need to be checked. **Action: Secretary to follow up with Council.**

#### 7. Health and Social Care Services – updates

No further updates were presented.

## 8. Emergency Planning

The final draft of the report of the emergency planning session will be prepared and circulated by the Council. LCC will then organise a community meeting to identify a sub group that will take forward the preparation of the island emergency plan. Mandie will prepare a draft template for the plan, based on the guidance and templates provided by the Council and by Scottish Government, to assist with preparation of the plan by the sub group. **Action: Secretary to circulate a copy of the report of the planning session and to prepare the plan template. Recruitment to the emergency planning sub group will be agreed at the next LCC meeting.**

Generator – SSE are making arrangements for provision of a generator, which will need to be installed in either the hall or heritage centre. Wiring upgrades may be needed and can be done for both buildings to allow flexibility of location of the generator, depending on circumstances. SSE are planning to move this forward over the summer months, with the aim of having the generator operational by next winter.

**Action: Secretary to seek a progress update from Neil Wilson, SSE.**

## 9. AOB

Bin collections – still need to improve communication on occasions when bins are not collected, so that householders know what is happening. Also, recycling bins need to be emptied more frequently, as soon as they are full, and the Street Scene Operator should alert the Council when recycling bins need to be replaced. **Action: Secretary to contact Council.**

Salt bins are required on the hills and junctions across the island. **Action: Secretary to contact Council to discuss provision**

Kilcheran Road requires repair. **Action: Secretary to contact Council**

## 10. Dates of future meetings

31<sup>st</sup> January (later postponed until 21<sup>st</sup> February)

14<sup>th</sup> March