

Fairlie Community Council (FCC) Draft Minutes 05/03/2018

Present: Rita Holmes (chairperson), Karla Tully, Ian Hunter, David Telford, David Nairn of FCC; Alan Hill (NAC Councillor) PC Dominic Ward; 12 members of the public.

Apologies: Tom Marshall, Marco Piva

February minutes proposed by RH, seconded by IH.

1. Police report

Few issues last month. 2 vehicles' break downs, 1 parking obstruction, 1 lost camper on Kelburn Estate, who was quickly found.

3. Clyde Marine Environment Planning and Public Meeting

Meeting was held immediately after with 42 attendees.

4. Dawn Homes: RES3 Trust

DT raised concern that there have been no public minutes for 6 years. RH has spoken to Alec Gallagher who as a trustee has not attended a meeting but promised to report back should he attend one.

KST to chase NAC Planning about the issues raised after previous meeting regarding non-adherence to Phase One planning conditions.

5. A78

A Fairlie resident contacted FCC on website raising concerns about parking congestion on Bay Street including two boats on trailers permanently parked. Resident asked if residents only parking could be allocated.

NAC do not have a policy of residents' parking, but AH stated that Largs CC have also raised similar issues for parts of Largs which he does not expect to be successful. AH agreed to discuss at NAC.

The same resident raised concerns regarding the mis-use of Disabled parking spaces on both Bay Street and the Main Street.

KST will contact Transerv to request that the bays are re-painted.

5. Peel Port's Planning Application: Deconstruction of oil rigs?

FCC and Fairlie residents remain concerned of the lack of transparency from Peel Ports.

FCC members and Fairlie residents attended marine planning consultation at Sea Mills Hotel re: extension of jetty. This was a pre-application consultation.

Peel Port clearly have oil rigs planned for the site and confirmed that it will be a 24/7 operation.

Attendees voiced their grave concerns regarding the lack of detail, the clear risk on the marine environment and life, the SSSI, and the piece meal nature of the planning process. Peel Port also used Clyde Marine Mammal Project data to illustrate that the marine life would not be affected without their permission. David Nairn had the information removed and has demanded both an apology and explanation.

RH has written to Peel Port raising the concerns. AH agreed that Peel Port tactics appear to be 'Planning by Stealth'.

Bute Community Council have also contacted FCC concerned about the impact this development may have on leisure and tourism. FCC have committed to liaise with BCC.

Douglas Colman, Peel Port Director also informed attendees that work had already started to dismantle the three cranes on the Hunterston pier, so they are sold to a firm in India. No evidence to date.

AH agreed to ask Peel Port to conduct a consultation event in Fairlie.

7. Fairlie Castle

DT stated that after a Freedom of Information application all documents related to the castle is on the Historic Environment Scotland (HES) website.

DT maintains that HES have stated that NAC should never have given permission for the castle's development.

8. Coastal Path

Still no update from NAC or response to last email from KST.

KST to chase response from Louise Kirk, NAC Access Manager

9. NOWTFF (Wind turbines)

SSE have provided background noise data on the 9th March. FCC have asked John Yelland, Acoustic Consultant to scrutinise the data provided.

11. AOB

FCC Vacancy

This vacancy has been advertised on the FCC website.

Anyone interested please contact KST.

Next meeting, 09/04/2018, 7:30pm in Semple Centre (not Easter Monday)