



## **Minutes of HCC Annual General Meeting Civic Centre Annex 7pm 30<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

The meeting was chaired by Peter Brown. Cllr Paul Kennedy took over the chair for the election of officers.

### **Welcome**

Present for HCC: Simon Vella, Louise McCormack Fisher, Roger Clarke, Nigel Millar, Cameron Foy, Howard Green, Elizabeth Lambert, Peter Brown, Norman McNally, David Sinclair, Polly Jones, Richard Trail, Joanna Pryce, Irina Agostinelli, Sarah Davies, Stewart Noble, Paula McIntosh

**Apologies:** Tariq Durrani, Wendy Hamilton, Stewart Steel, Eilidh Steel

**Public in Person: 10**

**Argyll and Bute Councillors:** Paul Kennedy, Fiona Howard

### **Declaration of Interest**

None

### **Annual Report**

Report was presented to the meeting. Previously circulated and posted on the website. A comprehensive summary of HCCs activities 2023/4.

### **Finance Report**

Statement of Funds and Revenue Account for year ending 31 March 2024 had been examined and circulated to all members. AGM agreed these accounts and thanked Mike Paterson for his examination. Secretary will submit accounts to A&B. May financial report also presented.

### **Election of Officers**

Following Officers were proposed, seconded and agreed by the meeting.

Convenor: Peter Brown (proposed Sarah Davies, seconded Polly Jones)

Vice Convenor: Polly Jones, Norman McNally (proposed Howard Green, seconded Paula McIntosh)

Secretary: Sarah Davies (proposed Roger Clarke, seconded Stewart Noble)

Treasurer: Howard Green (proposed Polly Jones, seconded Cameron Foy)

### **Committees**

The following committees were agreed: (all CC members are entitled to attend)

Town Centre: Roger Clarke, Sarah Davies, Elizabeth Lambert, Cameron Foy, Angela Anderson

Communications: Stewart Steel, Simon Vella, Cameron Foy, Elizabeth Lambert, Sarah Davies

Planning: Nigel Millar, Roger Clarke, Richard Trail, Stewart Noble, Howard Green

Waterfront: Peter Brown, Norman McNally, Cameron Foy, Polly Jones, Sarah Davies, Elizabeth Lambert

Music In the Square: Tariq Durrani, Nigel Millar, Simon Vella

Business: Wendy Hamilton, Cameron Foy, Irina Agostinelli

Pier regeneration: David Sinclair

Place Plan: From HCC: Elizabeth Lambert, Nigel Millar, Norman McNally, Howard Green.

Community members Norman Burton, Angela Anderson, Dory Reeves

## May Monthly meeting

**Police Report:** Issues raised: Speeding and road safety outside schools: Attack on local woman

**Speakers:** Muaz Jamil presented Community Pharmacy proposal for our information.

Approval of **Music In the Square application form** (previously circulated). Agreed with minor amendments – Simon Vella will send to Fiona Baker re Colquhoun Pipe Band.

**Waterfront Update:** Peter Brown reported on Ross McLaughlin reply to HCC letter of concern.

We are still concerned that officials are proceeding despite serious issues being raised about the process. Polly Jones and Sarah Davies will write letter to council leader Jim Lynch.

**RBS Bank Closure:** Polly Jones, Cllr Fiona Howard and Gill Simpson attended a meeting with RBS to outline our concerns with withdrawal of important local services. A future meeting is to be convened. Residents are encouraged to sign the petition.

## Any Other Business

Planning Committee will meet to agree response to Ardencaple battery storage proposal, which will be circulated to HCC.

Shrub bed tidying Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Volunteers Lunch June 9<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm

D-Day remembrance service 6<sup>th</sup> June 10:45 am. Roger Clarke to lay wreath for HCC.

Meeting of local community councils June 6<sup>th</sup>. Sarah Davies to attend.

Place Plan group: update circulated by Elizabeth Lambert. Norman Burton has agreed to be chair. Next meeting Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 7pm Parish Hall.

**Next Meeting: June 27<sup>th</sup> 7pm Civic Centre**