

**Minutes of the meeting of South Cowal Community Council on
Wednesday 8 October 2008 in Innellan Village Hall at 1900 hrs**

	Action
<p>Present</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chris Valentine, Chairman 2. Forbes Pearson, Vice Chairman 3. Jennifer Bryson, Secretary 4. Richard McGilvray, Treasurer 5. Jim Bamber 6. Margaret Little <p>Also present</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Aileen MacNicol, Dunoon Observer 2. PC Andrew Hood, Strathclyde Police 3. Alister MacAlister, Councillor, Argyll & Bute 4. Eileen Brand 5. Evan Malcolm 	
<p>1. Apologies</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Irene Pratt b. Richard McGilvray c. Tony Miles 	
<p>2. Minutes of the meeting held on 13 August 08</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Minutes agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman 	
<p>3. Matters arising</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Notice Board: nothing to report b. 20 MPH sign at Primary School: Cllr MacAlister will look into this again. 	AM
<p>4. Police Report Sept 08</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. PC Hood made the following report about incidents in Innellan: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. 1 x speeding event ii. 1 x vehicle crash iii. 1 x theft from garden iv. Digger stolen from Bullwood Quarry b. Jim Bamber asked if action could be taken regarding cars doing a U turn on the road outside the Lido <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Only if it is observed and is a danger to other road users <p>PC Hood confirmed that all calls made to the Police are routed to a call centre in Glasgow</p>	

<p>5. Planning officer update a. No report tabled.</p>	
<p>6. Chairman's Report</p> <p>a. There is to be an enquiry into the wind turbines at Blackcraigs in January 09. Further submissions can be made then as can presentations at the event. However the enquiry in January will be based on points of law.</p> <p>b. Evan Malcolm asked "what was SCCC's position in relation to wind farms in principle".</p> <p>i. Chris reported that as there had been no clear signal from the community as to the position to take, none had been taken</p> <p>ii. Forbes stated that when a survey of the community was taken that as there was no clear margin for a mandate for either a pro or con position. This was probably because the majority won't see them</p> <p>iii. Evan said that once the wind farms were built the community would be aware of them as the would be able to see them</p> <p>iv. Chris said that local community councils will benefit due to the money given by the operator</p> <p>v. Evan asked whether by approving for one wind farm that it didn't set a precedent; Forbes said that the Government may probably overrule any refusal</p> <p>vi. Aileen asked if SCCC would like to make a statement on wind farms for the Observer</p>	
<p>7. Secretary's Report a. Nothing to report</p>	
<p>8. Treasurer's Report a. No report tabled</p>	
<p>9. Website</p> <p>a. Jennifer suggested that better use could be made of the website and Eileen agreed, e.g.</p> <p>i. More local information</p> <p>ii. To encourage younger members to get involved Eileen suggested involving DGS pupils in the content</p> <p>b. It was agreed to have a sub group of Chris, Jennifer</p>	

and Eileen to discuss it with the current webmaster, Pam Forsyth.	JB
<p>10. Unified approach to planning applications</p> <p>a. Alister said that Argyll and Bute Council believed that the new system would streamline the planning application process as there would be standardised procedures across A + B.</p>	
<p>11. Forces' Boxes</p> <p>a. Chris will get further details from his contact.</p> <p>b. The practicalities of doing this were then discussed,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Toiletries required ii. Shoe boxes iii. An article in the Observer iv. When it can be done in Somerfield v. Getting volunteers vi. Collection bins vii. Drop-off points 	
<p>12. Any Other Business</p> <p>a. Parking at the old Innellan Shops may still be illegal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Cllr McAlister to investigate ii. Remembrance Service 12 November <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Wreath ordered o Catering to be provided in Hall o Timings to be confirmed 	JB
<p>13. Date of next meeting Wednesday 12 November 2008 at 1900 hrs in Innellan Village Hall.</p>	