

Isle of Arran Community Council
Minutes
Meeting held 29th September 2015

Those present: Ricky McMaster (Chair), Bill Calderwood (Vice Chair), Neil Arthur, Jim Henderson (Treasurer), D Bowes, P Randall, Hazel Gardiner, Cllr J Bruce and Gus McLeod.

Also present were Jim Nichols, PC Colin and 4 members of the public

2. AGM – Order as per Agenda

Minutes of AGM 28.10.14 - proposed by JH, seconded by H Gardiner.

Chairs Report

It's been a busy year – many items discussed including:

- New Pier
- Problems re: Ardrossan
- Coastal erosion
- Buses and stops
- Roads

4 new Councillors had joined the committee and Barbara McNeice had resigned
As well as the topics above we also organised a series of supplementary meetings to discuss boundaries, Forestry extraction and roads.

He thanked councillors for help last year especially Bill Calderwood as secretary.
The support from Councillor Bruce, Gus MacLeod, Police and Banner was also appreciated.

Treasurers Report:

Accounts were submitted on 17th September 2015.

Project account remains at £324.62

Administration account has a balance of £3.90

1st October 2014 began with an expense surplus of £72.71, which resulted in a payment from North Ayrshire of £837.29 for the total allowance of £910.00.

This is made up of administration grant of £337.29 and Island location grant of £500.00.

Last year (2013/14), with 11 members eligible, the highest claim was for the sum of £189.90 with £3.60 being the lowest. Average claim of £82.00 at £0.36 per mile, excluding insurance etc.

The past financial year with total of 11 members, (4 not claiming) the highest mileage claim was £237.89 and the lowest £29.82 changing the average to £130?

The mileage claim being less than £0.31 to keep the amount within the £910.00 allowance.

This did not take into account the fact that some members only qualified for part of the full year and 4 elected not register a mileage claim.

A full explanation has been registered with North Ayrshire and they have agreed to pay an additional £290.00 raising the annual claim for mileage expenses to £1,200.00.

To register the full amount claimed showing a balance of Zero at 30.09.15 everyone has been included in the mileage claim. Additional cheques have been dated 28th of the month and will be recorded as uncashed cheques for the administration account at 30.09.15.

This in turn will ensure a full mileage / expense claim of £1,200.0 for 2016.

Election of Office Bearers

We expect some restructuring by April as the NAC review is completed.

Chair proposed to keep things as they are now until April.

RMcM supported election of all representatives en-bloc.

Proposed JH, seconded HG – carried.

AGM Closed 6.20pm.