

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BUTE AND COWAL AREA COMMITTEE HELD ON A
HYBRID BASIS IN THE QUEEN'S HALL, DUNOON AND BY MICROSOFT TEAMS
ON TUESDAY, 6 JUNE 2023

Present: Councillor Liz McCabe (Chair)

Councillor Gordon Blair	Councillor Yvonne McNeilly
Councillor Audrey Forrest	Councillor Ross Moreland
Councillor Daniel Hampsey	Councillor William Sinclair
Councillor Reeni Kennedy-Boyle	Councillor Peter Wallace

Attending: Stuart McLean, Committee Manager
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Councillor Peter Wallace declared a non-financial interest in relation to item 12 of the agenda (Supporting Communities Fund 2023/24) with specific reference to the application from Crossroads Caring For Carers Cowal & Bute, advising that a family member is involved with the group. He advised that he would leave the meeting during the consideration of this item of Business.

3. MINUTES

(a) Bute and Cowal Area Committee - 7 March 2023

The Minutes of the meeting of the Bute and Cowal Area Committee, held on 7 March 2023 were approved as a correct record.

(b) Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group - 2 May 2023

The Minutes of the meeting of the Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group, held on 2 May 2023 were noted.

(c) Cowal Transport Forum - 16 May 2023

The Minutes of the meeting of the Cowal Transport Forum, held on 16 May 2023 were noted.

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Question on Dunoon's Active Travel Route

Several members of the public raised concerns on the plans to link Dunoon and Hunters Quay with a new active travel route and asked if further detail on the justification for this route could be shared with residents.

Councillor Moreland advised that the active travel route was instigated by the Charette that had been drafted in 2016 and that at the moment a stage 1 consultation is being undertaken, with a further 6 stages of development to follow. Councillor Moreland highlighted that members of the public need to make their feelings known during the consultation process and that he expects the final route to look very different once

The Committee were asked what their feelings were on the proposals. Members of the Area Committee recognised that the initial plans do not have widespread support and encouraged people to engage with the consultation to ensure the final route reflects the wishes of residents, offers value for money and encourages active travel.

A resident commented that the consultation did not offer an opportunity to suggest alternative proposals and that residents were forced to choose from 3 options.

Councillor Moreland confirmed that should responders to the consultation wish they can submit alternative plans to Stantec via e-mail.

Question from Valerie Edmonson

The Bute and Cowal Area Committee considered and noted the contents of the report.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services, dated May 2023, submitted)

9. CEMETERY MAINTENANCE AND ROADS ACCESS FUND

The Committee gave consideration to a report that provided options on how to spend £75,000 that had been allocated from the Crown Estates funding to a Cemetery Maintenance and Roads Access Fund.

Decision

1. agreed the package of proposals up to the value of £75,000; and
2. noted that regular updates would be provided via the Roads and Infrastructure weekly briefings.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services, dated May 2023, submitted)

10. ARGYLL AND BUTE HSCP PERFORMANCE REPORT 2022/23

Consideration was given to the HSCP Annual Performance Report for 2022-23. The report detailed how the HSCP had performed and also provided progress updates on how they have improved and adapted services which are fit for the future.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Committee considered and noted the contents of the report.

(Reference: Report by Chief Officer, Health and Social Care Partnership, dated June 2023, submitted)

11. DUNOON BID 3RD TERM BALLOT RESULTS

The Committee gave consideration to a verbal update on the outcome of the Dunoon BID Ballot held on 24.05.23. The results of the ballot were as follows:

Consideration was given to a report which detailed recommendations for the award of the been made available in the Bute and Cowal area.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Committee agreed within Appendix 1 of the report, are awarded funding from the Supporting Communities Fund Budget totalling £38,228.09, as follows:

13. ROTHESAY JOINT CAMPUS ELC DELIVERY

A report providing details of a planned change to the current Early Learning & Childcare (ELC) delivery model within Rothesay Joint Campus was before members for information.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Committee noted:

1. Bute; and
2. the plan to deliver non statutory childcare from within existing revenue.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Education, dated 24 April 2023, submitted)

14. CRUACH MOR AND CLACHAN FLATS WINDFARM TRUSTS

A report providing an update on the work undertaken by the wind farm trusts set up at both Cruach Mhor (Glendaruel) and Clachan Flats (Cairndow) in accordance with consented developments was before the Committee for information.

The Committee resolved in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the press and public for the following item of business on the grounds that it was likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 8 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

17. ROTHESAY TOWNSCAPE HERITAGE - RECOMMENDATION OF AWARD

The Committee gave consideration to a report which asked Members to approve a grant award in relation to a shopfront within the town centre of Rothesay as part of the Rothesay Townscape Heritage Project.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Committee approved the grant as detailed in the report.

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