

YEHAC5002 - CAOL & LOCHYSIDE FPS - COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP

Approved Minutes for Community Liaison Meeting No. 23
 held on Tuesday 25th July at 19:30 hrs
 Meeting held virtually on Microsoft Teams
 Minutes prepared by Gary Kennedy

	Item	Action
1	Introductions	
	Garry Smith (GS) – Principal Designer – The Highland Council Gary Kennedy (GK) – Project Manager’s Representative – The Highland Council Stephen Moore (SM) – Sub Site Agent – RJ McLeod Colin Strange (CS) – Secretary - Caol Community Council Joan Laing (JL) – Member - Caol Community Council John Gillespie (JG) – Chairman – Caol Community Council	
2	Apologies	
	Florence Cargill (FC) – Assistant PMR – The Highland Council Emily Currie (EC) – Assistant PMR – The Highland Council Andrew Baldrey (AB) - Councillor – The Highland Council John Grafton (JG) - Councillor – The Highland Council Liz Saggars (LS) – Councillor – The Highland Council Linda Campbell (LC) – Secretary – Kilmallie Shinty Club Arthur Cowie (AC) – Disability Access Panel	
3	Review of Previous Meeting’s Minutes	
3.1	Item 3.1 – Canal Lane pothole. GK to ensure this is included in next surfacing activities.	GK
3.2	Item 3.2 - CS queried shore access signing. GK to produce signage options.	GK
3.3	Item 3.4 – TM plans for final surfacing to be circulated this week. Proposals approved.	GK
3.4	Item 3.5 – McAlpine Place works progressed using different approach, different equipment and was completed without causing any disruption.	Note
3.5	Item 4.6 – Trial panel from shopping area to be integrated into reconstructed ‘Caol in Bloom’ planter. GK to produce sketch that also includes recovered planter stones.	GK
3.6	Item 5.4 – CS suggested new footway for pedestrian diversion during final surfacing activities. GK confirmed footway surfacing was complete, and this could be considered.	Note
3.7	Item 5.5 – See item 3.3 (3.4) above.	Note
3.8	Item 6.4 – JG queried status of Opening Ceremony invitations. GS advised that ‘Save the Date’ emails had been sent and requested confirmed attendee information ASAP.	CS

4	Progress	
4.1	<p>Overview of project progress presented by SM. This included an update on traffic management, resurfacing works, footway works on the embankment at shinty club and flood wall construction.</p> <p>The presentation will be available on THC website (detailed below) once final minutes are issued https://www.highland.gov.uk/caolandlochysidefloodprotection</p>	Note
4.2	JG queried status of playpark. SM confirmed RJM were hoping to open ASAP.	Note
4.3	CS queried the intentions for the Jubilee Trees planted at the Spit Access. GK confirmed that these would be planted during the delivery of the dormant season landscaping works scheduled to be completed in November. GK to supervise these works.	GK
4.4	CS queried recent issues with resident adjacent to Shinty Club (A. Hunter). GS confirmed that Mr Hunter was an objector to the scheme. GK stated that he has accommodated two of Mr Hunters requests, to move the bin and signs planned for outside his front window but was not prepared to omit the link path, as this is the reinstatement of an existing link.	Note
4.5	CS queried the status of THC's response to the resident email regarding the seepage/smell at the shinty club shore access/drainage outfall. GK confirmed that the scheme and Scottish water had investigated this previously and there was no infrastructure in the affected area. Issue had been passed to THC's EHO, who were investigating. GK committed to acquiring an update for next CLM and agreed to forward photos to GS.	GK
4.6	CS queried whether there was a shutdown this year. SM confirmed no shutdown period.	Note
5	Transport Management	
5.1	JG queried whether THC were planning a Press Release for the upcoming surfacing works. GK confirmed that, now plans had been approved, THC would progress a press release. GK to forward to Community Council for sharing.	GK
5.2	JL queried presence of advance signing (from Soldier's Bridge direction) at TM setup at Mossfield area. GK to check Wednesday 26/07/2023 and address any issues.	GK
5.3	JG advised that any bus turning route be protected against blockage from erroneous resident parking. GK confirmed this would be considered during works.	Note
6	Community Benefits	
6.1	<p>GK advised that the below Community Benefits have been/are being delivered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Lunch Donation 2022 • Christmas Trees Infrastructure • Provision of Shinty Equipment to Lochaber High School • Renovation of Green Space at Curlew Place, Lochyside • Renovation of access to existing Shinty Club Parking adjacent to Canal • Provision of Tools and Materials for Caol Primary School Planters • Provision of Transport for Mallaig High School Visit • Community Cupboard Installation & Provision of Power/Shelving /Appliances • Soldier Bridge Lighting (SUSTRANS assisted) • Shinty Club Parking Facility • Community Centre Field Regeneration • Additional Seating on the Foreshore Path • Erracht Drive/Glenmallie Street Resurfacing Works 	Note

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caol Shopping Area Resurfacing Preparatory Works & Lining • Footway Movement Counters for Non-Motorised Users (Sustrans assisted) • Wildflowers on the Foreshore Embankments • Crossing Points, Bus Stop Works and Footway Resurfacing on Kilmallie Road 	
6.2	CS highlighted concerns regarding parking on the grass on the foreshore. JL stated that local Councillor's had been unresponsive to concerns raised. GS to contact local ward Manager Dot Ferguson to request Councillor attention to this issue. GK stated that solution identification may be post scheme completion due to the unknown extent of the issue	Note
6.3	JG queried whether steps at McAlpine Place could be renovated and reopened as part of the Community Benefit project funding. GK stated that several of the initiatives above were still awaiting quotations so was unable to advise at present. GK to survey the steps and establish extents of remedial works required, in advance of funding clarity.	GK
6.4	CS reminded GK that RJM are still to invoice Caol Community Council for the electrical installation works, that was grant funded, and that any residual monies could be put towards the appliance acquisition costs. GK to liaise with RJM regarding this.	GK/SM
7	AOCB	
7.1	GK to leave x2 copies of RJM presentation, and Community Cupboard key, at reception for collection and display by Caol Community Council.	Note
8	Date of next meeting	
8.1	Tuesday 27/08/2023 at 19:30 Hrs via Microsoft TEAMS.	Note