



Argyll Rally 2025 Minutes of Community Council Zoom Meeting 16th September 2024

Present: Sam Spencer – Clerk of the Course – Mull Car Club
Iain McCuaig – Mull Car Club
Kenny Wilson - Mull Car Club
Sue Minns - Mull Car Club
Iain Wilkie – Strachur Community Council
Mike & Cathleen Russell - Colglen Community Council
David Clough – Dunoon Community Council
John Brints – Ardentinny Community Council

Apologies: None

1. First meeting with regard to Argyll Rally 2025. SS invited the Community Councils to have more than one representative at future meetings if they desired.
2. The consultation has been circulated to all Community Councils, the rally Facebook page, Argyll & Bute Council, Dunoon Observer and the website. SS contacted businesses at Millhouse and the B8000 – letters were delivered and a notice put up in Kilfinan Hall Notice Board. Holiday cottages have been emailed where possible. HO’N has a list of Air BnB’s and also the Association of Scottish Self Caterers – these will be contacted for room night rates to assist competitors/officials.
3. At meeting date, 23 direct responses to the consultation have been received, others were sent to MSUK and A&BC, so those will have to be collated and shared with SS.
Deadline for application to MSUK is 14th September. IW requested a copy of responses be shared with CC’s. Colglen CC meeting was successful, with people more positive due to the excellent communication with Mull Car Club officials. Suggested that there be more open community meetings/drop in sessions. Easier to resolve issues face to face.
4. Once the results from the consultation have been collated, they will be summarised and issued.
5. Repairs – West Glen Road – closing a road 2 or 3 times not popular. MCC to look at trying to get all repairs done at the same time. Ditch in Glendaruel needs to be repaired. MCC are still trying to get a response from BT Openreach on repairing telegraph pole.

This will be chased up. HO'N will write as Network Manager for A&BC to try and push it forwards.

6. DC reported that the survey DCC did on the 2024 rally responses, were overwhelmingly in favour of the rally. HO'N reported that Sandbank no longer have an active CC but the Development Trust should be included in any consultation. Lots of residents have misconceptions about the rally so the goal is to allay any fears. IW thanked HO'N for attendance, along with Chris Woodcock at the Strachur CC meeting.
7. HO'N made the point that if residents are vocal then they should join or attend their local CC meetings. The key point seems to be, that more communication with residents will be valuable, particularly those who live on the closed road sections, which MCC takes on board.
8. CR asked if copies of maps showing competitive/non-competitive routes could be put up in hall notice boards. A&BC offered to assist.
9. KW – at last MCC Board Meeting it was suggested that MCC make a donation to local halls that are on the rally route to put something back into the community, this suggestion was well received by all.
10. There being no further business, the next meeting date will be sent out along with a Zoom link.