

EKCC – 6 August 2026

Minutes from the meeting at Carradale Village Hall 06/08/2026.

Abbreviated names: Ian Brodie(IB), Robert Strang(RS), José MacKinnon(JM), Anne Horn (AH), Trish Collins (TC), Elinor Prince (EP), Alastair Redman (AR), Dougie McFadzean (DMF).

Welcome

Trish Collins welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Present

Trish Collins, Ian Brodie, Audrey Willan, José MacKinnon, Councillor Dougie McFadzean via Zoom and members of the community.

Apologies

Robert Strang, Elinor Prince, Councillors Anne Horn & Alastair Redman.

Treasurers Report

Bank balance - £673.05

Matters Arising

- Torrisdale bay – TC – IB spoke to Kim at A&B council. They are hoping to take to planning committee 19/08 or 15/09.
- Tormhor car park – signs coming for residents only parking. Trying to get ACHA to come to a meeting about it. Not suitable for the amount of cars there now. Need to get council and ACHA together. DMF will look into which bits of land the council owns there.

Planning

- TC - MOWI appealing refused planning to change the size of the nets. Copy of the notice is available at dpea.scotland.gov.uk under ref PPA-130-2097.

Harbour

- AW - MOWI proposed a reduced 16m length pontoon to A&B council – agreed in principle. Now seeking amended permissions in terms of crown estate, marine licence, planning permission etc. Pontoon is being transferred to Carradale for storage shortly. Commitment to accommodate 3 community boats on the mooring remains.
- AW - Pier House refurbishment works due to start 10/08 undertaken by Argyll based contractor John Martin Joinery Ltd.

CCT Update

Russell Kay gave an update

- Pleased to welcome Aylish Prince as a trustee. 1 more vacancy for trustee.
- Harbour Day & Carradale Canter both successful. A small profit was made which is ringfenced for the harbour. Thanks to Alan Milstead and all the volunteers who helped make this a success.
- LDP – job advert is out for project manager role. 21 hrs per week average. Applications close 21/08 with in-person interviews 1st week of September.
- Garage – due diligence ongoing. Spoke to funders informally – need to do due diligence to be sure about contamination and change of use issues. This is underway. Ongoing consideration as to where funds can come from
- Network centre – Meeting McFadyens next week on site. Insurers will cover (not sure if 100%). McFadyens are busy so work may not commence for a while, which suits. Planning to sort signage and clearance in the short term to get cars up to the top car park as its becoming a problem on the road.
- New signs are up and looking good.
- New website is in beta testing.
- Annual accounts have been signed off, there will be an AGM by the end of August.

Wellpark

- Work commencing 2nd week September for fencing.
- New garage door and main door going in Pavilion.
- Dalriada was a success and they want to do more in the park. Play park committee having ongoing meetings re what to do with Pavilion to make it more usable.
- Bonfire will be 07/11. No fireworks as there is significant cost and other organised displays in the area.

EKWFT

- Alasdair Bennett - Tranche open until 04/09.

EKREG

- Alasdair Bennett – all quiet as no connections available at present. Substation likely to double in size next year.

Amenities / Roads

- TC – grass verges cut but poor. Lots missed, corners missed, bits at the edge of the road missed. DMF said email to him he will take forward – other areas have made the same complaint and some remediation has occurred.

- TC – asked DMF is road sweeping still happening? Usually done annually. DMF will chase up – should still be happening.
- TC – trying to find out who owns a piece of land at high airds – DMF will pass query on to council legal services to find out.
- AW – path to village hall is falling away. Brambles need cut back. Contractor looking at getting it done. DMF will check.
- AW – can we get a tap at the graveyard? Unclear but will look into.

A.O.C.B

- Toilets at village hall – many people still not happy with the toilets. Village Hall committee has responded to complaints that “unisex sanitary accommodation may be provided where each sanitary facility, or a WC and a wash basin, is located within a separate space for use by only one person at a time, with a door that can be secured from within for privacy”. As such there is no expected change.
- AW – Carradale Garden Services were asked if they could come to review what paths should be cut when at what to do at the new path at the bay. They were unable to do so but should hopefully meet next week.

Next meeting - 7pm Thursday 17th September, Carradale Village Hall