

Fairlie Community Council – Monday 02/02/2026, h. 07:30pm, Semple Centre, 45 Main Rd, Fairlie

The meeting is declared open at **07:32pm**

Attending:

FCC: Rita Holmes (chair), Marco Piva (minutes secretary), Alan Holden, Malcolm Milne, Mairi Wyatt, Arran Hewlett, Gaye Nelson, Ian Hunter

NAC: Cllr Ian Murdoch, Cllr Tom Marshall

Police: *none*

Press: Calum Corral (*Largs and Millport Weekly News*)

6 MoP

Apologies: Jackie Pearson (FCC); Cllr Eleanor Collier, Cllr Todd Ferguson (NAC)

Approval of January minutes: proposed by RH, seconded by AlHold

Police report for January:

No Police present

Communications from the Chair:

+ Thanks are given to Hugh MacLean (present as a MoP) for having taken photos of potholes on the A78, which he forwarded to IM who sent them to Amey; the potholes were fixed, although several remain in other parts of the village (in roads controlled by NAC).

IM has filed a formal complaint with Transport Scotland for several similar issues not addressed on the A78, in several spots between Ardrossan and Skelmorlie. Potholes on NAC roads will be looked at by the end of the financial year.

+ Hunterston Parc Liaison Committee: next meeting on Tue 14th Apr

NA Cllr's Report:

IM has been campaigning for the improvement of footways, which will now be prioritised

IM: Tennis courts issue has been raised with Protective Services (tennis courts are not ran by NAC but by Fairlie Community Sports Club) due to the allegation of the use of weedkiller by an unauthorised MoP while it should be only used by authorised and trained individuals

1. A78 new 20mph limit

RH received two complaints from MoPs

Many MoPs state it should have been extended to the whole village. Two report of drivers dangerously overtaking vehicles travelling 20mph.

IM highlights the cost of the new signage; has asked NAC for a figure

2. SEPA flooding consultation

RH will draft an answer and share it with FCC and interested MoPs

MoP: bear in mind that flooding is intended to happen when water invades buildings, not when water floods the roads

There is a general negative opinion re. the likeliness of a new, effective anti-flooding scheme.

MoP: Culverts on Glen Rd are blocked by mud.

IM: flooding between Glen Rd and Causeway has been reported several times

3. **Fife Regatta**

It will be held between the 4th and the 12th of June
23 yachts invited, approx 250 people expected
Yachts will be berthed at Largs Marina
There will be races (the first will be around the Cumbraes)
Residents' participation and involvement is welcome
Brian at the Village Inn will be contacted
Following that, the Richard Mille Cup (for yachts over a certain size) will be held, based in Largs, between the 15th and the 25th of June

4. **Crosbie Wind Farm public enquiry**

It will be held in the two weeks starting on the 15th of June
There will be a pre-meeting on Thu 5th Feb (online) to gather evidence
Oppositions have been filed by National Air Traffic Control, Glasgow International Airport, Prestwick Airport, Strathaven Airfield

5. **Highview Power**

The liquid air storage facility would be the largest in the world
The original plan mentions approx 35/40 tanks of approx 50mt height (each). Questions were asked re safety, awaiting answers

6. **Hunterston SSG**

Next meeting on 5th Mar at 1:30pm at Seamill Hydro, open to the public

AOB

+ Barry Turley of Transmission Investment has suggested a further meeting with FCC, possibly next month

+ No news about XLCC for months. The project seems to have been abandoned.
XLCC have been removed from their role as observers at HPLC meetings (Highview have been added)
Apprentices are still being trained, not on XLCC-specific roles but on cable welding, which is a very useful skill nowadays

+ IM communicates that he has sent an email to the relevant individuals re. street drains. He will let FCC know of any replies

+ TM: NAC budget due end of Feb. There are talks of a major raise in Council Tax

The meeting closed at **08:49pm**.

The next FCC meeting is on Monday 2nd of March 2026 at 0730 pm at the Semple Centre, 45 Main Rd.