

Glenorchy and Innishail Community Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting on 10th June 2026

Dalmally Community Centre

Present: Ishbel Livingstone (Convenor), Sue Rawcliffe (Vice-Convenor), Paul Greaves, Cllr Kieron Green, Gareth Young (Treasurer) and six members of the public.

Apologies: Maggie Clunie

Declarations of Interest: Sue re Youth Group small grant.

Minutes of the last meeting – Sue (proposed) Ishbel (second)

Matters arising

Visitors Levy – made a response, no update. Due to be a report to council this month.

Loch Awe level monitoring – quote from River track for monitoring, need to get a new quote (installation, running costs and maintenance) as that was last costed in 2024. Speak to Ford Community Council.

SSEN – had the community engagement meeting, access tracks 70% done, 10 pylons are installed. Raised issues of litter (work gloves etc. discarded). Pushed for STEM input into Oban High School – going to do more in Oban and the primary school. SSEN and their contractors have offered £6000 to the Men's Shed for their new shed and will also do the groundworks for them. Need to have conversations about linking up the tracks in the future.

Scottish Fire and Rescue

Presentation by Euan Diven and Rob Taylor. Dalmally is about to get a new fire truck but is struggling for recruits. There are currently 5 volunteer fire fighters in the village, and there would ideally be 11. Without new volunteers it will be difficult to maintain the service.

Scottish Fire and Rescue are willing to do everything they can to address barriers that might prevent people coming forward and Euan is available to speak to anyone who might be interested.

Discussed the possibility of any open day for people to see the new Fire appliance, sessions with the youth group to build interest and, the possibility of coming along to community lunches to talk about fire safety/prevention.

Community Council elections

Nominations for the new Community Council need to be in by 25th June 4pm with elections if needed on August 20th, 2026. Nomination forms can be downloaded from the Council website and returned by email.

Ishbel Livingstone, Sue Rawcliffe, Gareth Young and Suzy Anderson are all standing down so everyone is encouraged to think about stepping up to ensure the CC continues.

Micro grant applications

Youth Group – £500 towards the cost of their outward bound weekend. This was agreed.

Community orchard – £300 for new flymo for use in the Portsonachan garden. This was agreed.

Carraig Gheal micro grant application £450 for the Loch Awe-side Squirrel Regeneration Group. This was agreed.

Greenpower defib survey

Jennie Cowley from Carraig Gheal windfarm community benefot fund is carrying out a survey of defibs across the area. They are looking at whether they might fund ongoing maintenance costs. – SR has gathered information as follows: –

12 in total. 4 in Dalmally, 4 along the Loch- side, 3 in Bridge of Orchy and 1 in Lochawe.

Replacement parts are currently funded by Glenorchy and Innishail Community Council, SLACC, Bridge of Orchy Hotel and Ben Curachan Inn.

The defib at Inveroran needs to be upgraded and St Conan's Kirk would like to have one.

Police Report

The most recent Police report records 33 calls, 7 crimes

Planning/licensing applications

List of planning applications was circulated.

The Community Council has been contacted regarding the new licensing application for Ardbrecknich House. No objections raised although concerns were expressed re ongoing issues with the water supply.

KG advised that schedule four para 8 – states that tap water must be provided free of charge and suggested we might want to ask “are they providing water, or do they have other provisions?” Agreed to do this.

Question raised re the licensing of the Old School House, Bridge of Orchy. KG confirmed that they have had a license since April 2025.

AOCB

2 x consultation meetings – 28 July 230-6pm, 27 August, 930-1pm re the Ladyfield Energy Park cabling route.

The Community Council was asked to raise the fact that stones have been dislodged again on the Orchy Bridge. Also evidence of heavy erosion on the pillars under the bridge.

Date of the next meeting: 12 August 2026 (Dalmally)

Meeting closed: 21:06