Kilmacolm Community Council 2020 Annual General Meeting Secretary's Report

This is the last occasion, in my twelve year tenure as a Kilmacolm community councillor, that I will be delivering the Secretary's Annual Report to the Annual General Meeting of the Kilmacolm Community Council.

In the last twelve months there have been fewer community council meetings than in any of the previous periods between Annual General Meetings in the time of my long association with the Kilmacolm Community Council. Only two of these 2019/2020 cancelled meetings were as a consequence of complying with the Coronavirus imposed social distancing regulations. The other cancellations were because there were insufficient numbers of members present at the venue to form a quorum.

In the last year we received a small number of emails from members of the community – either directly or via the website. All of the requests or queries in these emails were dealt with.

Unfortunately our email inbox has - in the last year - again been swamped by unwanted and unsolicited emails offering anything from get rich crypto currency deals to rapid weight loss products and invitations to meet Asian and Russian beauties!

I continued to be responsible for updating and maintaining the KCC Website and email service but this is not a responsibility that my Secretary successor will be taking on board. I shall, therefore, continue to act in a Webmaster role until I can hand over this role - possibly at the start of the new year. There has been year on year increases in the costs of hosting our web and email service. I will be embarking on an exercise to determine whether there are better value services to which we could seamlessly transition. It is the intention to set up, as part of my handover duties, @kilmacolmcc.co.uk email accounts for use by the Chair and the Treasurer. These will be in addition to the established and well used Secretary email account.

I thank my fellow community councillors and the members of Inverclyde Council and officials for their support, help and advice over the years and for those who have undertaken the Secretary duties during my long absences from Kilmacolm in recent years

I wish my successor success in this important community role and I give my assurance that I will handover the Secretary responsibilities in an effective and organised fashion.

I will continue to make myself available to provide ongoing support, help and advice to the members of the Kilmacolm Community which it has been my pleasure and honour to serve.