

Update for Melvich Community Council: 21st February 2023



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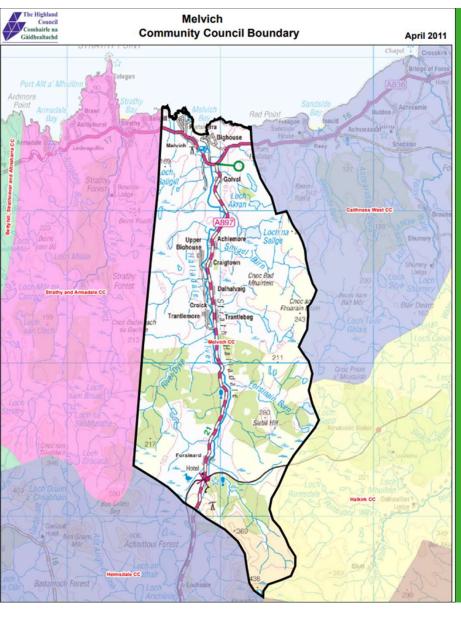
Melvich Community Hub project

- Community Asset Transfer request for Melvich Public toilets going through due process.
- Positive pre-planning advice (based on option C)
 received back from Highland Council. Stated "Based on
 the information submitted the siting of a new
 community hub as well as the formation of access and
 car parking area is likely to be supported given that it
 will cohere with the surrounding settlement pattern and
 will contribute to local living" Hub project is feasible.
- Will finalise outputs from RIBA Stage 1. Currently getting costs for RIBA Stages 2-4 and will require grant funding to deliver them.



Portskerra Play Park

- Community Asset Transfer (CAT) application submitted for Portskerra Play Park on 15/11/2022. Not yet shown on Highland Council CAT website page. Lease/ownership of the site is on the critical path – can't secure grant funding without this matter resolved.
- Work ongoing on draft ITT for play park equipment and supply chain engagement has started.
- Next Play Park specific fund raising event: Saturday 18th March 2023: Quiz. All questions are being prepared by local children!



Community Action Plan

- Invitation to Tender (ITT) issued to 8 suppliers on Local Energy Scotland framework.
- ITT included option for additional scope work for neighbouring community council areas if they wished to take advantage of our commercial agreements (subject to additional grant funding being available).
- Closing date for submissions is 24/2/2023.
- Tenders will then be assessed against specified criteria. Interviews of top 3 scoring suppliers to be held 17/03/2023. Contract award estimated 1/4/2023 subject to Local Energy Scotland grant funding approval.
- Intent is to have a CAP in place by ~ Summer 2023 for MCC area (subject to supply chain capacity to deliver).



Community events and fundraising:

Photo competition for 2024 calendar ongoing (See https://melvichcommunityscio.org/latest-updates-1/f/photography-competition-for-2024-calendar for more info).

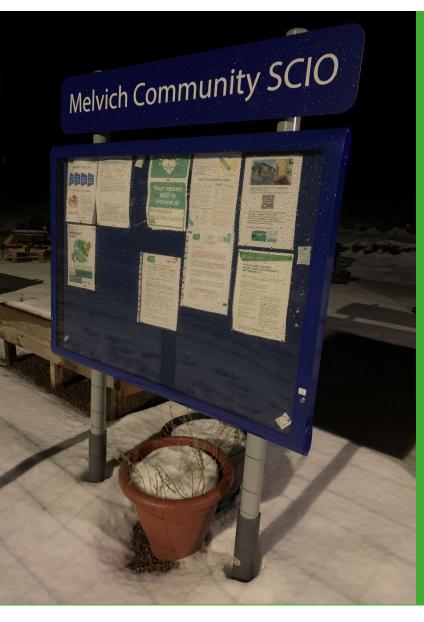
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Quiz night: 3rd March 2023

• Quiz night: 17th March 2023

Dates for CAP consultations to be announced in due course

• More events being planned but if you want to get involved and help out then please get in touch.



Work planned in coming months:

- Progress community asset transfer of public toilets.
- Finish delivering RIBA stage 1 (Preparation and briefing) for Melvich Community Hub. Commence requests for grant funding for RIBA stages 2-4.
- Work with MCC and other stakeholders to deliver a Community Action Plan.
- Progress Portskerra Play Park including CAT application. Issue ITT and assess tenders for Play Park equipment and installation / maintenance.
- Run regular local fund raising initiatives and community events.



Any comments / questions?













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