

# **PAIRC COMMUNITY COUNCIL**



## **Draft Minutes of meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 7.30 in Tigh Ceilidh**

### **Gravir**

**Members present:** Cllr DJ Macrae, P Bailey, K Bailey, AL Campbell, D Matheson, M Campbell

**Apologies:** S Campbell, Cllr P Maclean

**Members of Public:** L Maclennan, A Mackinon, J Mackenzie, J Holden, H Sandison, K Drew, E Drew, J Macleod, D Macleod, S Mortimer, D Philips, M Philips, G Banks, N A Kennedy, M Maclenan, E Rudd, A Macdowel, D J Macdonald, M Macdonald, N Campbell, A M Kennedy, J Ellis, J Wilson. C Macleod, I Nicolson, L Nicolson, D Reed, M Reed

The Chairman P Bailey opened the meeting and thanked all for coming and explained there were only two items for discussion

Part 1 Present medical Practice service

Part 2 Future Medical

#### 1 The concerns brought up

- Can't get through to Gravir Practice. On going since 2015 when Dr Rigby stated at a PCC meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> November, this was because of phone line upgrades, however when this was completed we would be able to contact Gravir directly.
- Can't get appointments easily.
- People waiting for medication coming down from Leurbost.
- GP Consulting hours dropping.
- Continually changing opening times, consulting times.
- Always being asked to attend the Leurbost surgery.
- No female doctor.
- Ageing population need regular availability of doctor.
- When asking for doctor app, being told you can see nurse.
- When regular annual appointment needed, the person couldn't make it to Leurbost, and was told to book appointment when they have a day off work.
- Being promised at the merging of the Gravir practice we would have enhanced services, we now have depleted services.
- People with podiatry needs, now have to go to WI hospital. Aged people who don't drive. One lady 103 blind and doesn't leave her home people with dementia, are but a few cases.

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## 2) Future Plans of Gravir GP Surgery

The Chair outlined the concerns of the community with regard to a proposed plan to move the Gravir Surgery to the Resource Centre.

- There was a lengthily discussion regarding Pairc Trusts attempt to purchase the Resource Centre before Christmas without first properly consulting with the community
- Pairc Trust confirmed Langabhat Medical Practice approached Pairc Trust to rent space in the Resource Centre.
- A member of the community present handed in a petition with over 140 signatures stating;  
*"We the undersigned do not agree to the closure of the Gravir Medical Practice, nor do we agree to the Pairc Trusts present plan to procure the Resource Centre in Kershader".*  
We agreed to support this petition and it was further agreed Cllr D J Macrae would hand a copy over to the appropriate departments at CnES and NHS.
- Secretary stated Pairc Community Council is required to hold all Pairc Community Council meetings in public as per our constitution.

Chair urged all to attend the Pairc Trust meeting on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

Meeting closed 8.45

Next meeting 27<sup>th</sup> March