

**KILWINNING COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Monthly meeting held on**  
**Thursday 18th December 2014**  
**Kilwinning Academy**

<b>Present</b>	Jim Watson(JW) - Chair Janey Grier(JG) - Secretary Jim Miller(JM) Andy Robb(AR) John Harrison(JH) Councillor John Ferguson(JF) Councillor Donald Reid(DR)	Bill Taylor (BT) - Vice-Chair Stephanie Krus(SK) - Treasurer Jim Kennedy(JK) Ted Somerville(TS) Paul Quirk(PQ) Councillor Robert Steel(RS)
<b>Visiting</b>	Christine Watson	

		<b>ACTION</b>
<b>1.0</b>	<p><b><u>WELCOME</u></b> The meeting was opened with a welcome from JW – in particular to JH &amp; PQ</p> <p><b><u>APOLOGIES</u></b> Colin Hedley(CH) Nairn McDonald(NM)</p> <p><b><u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 20th November 2014</u></b>            Agreed by Meeting</p>	
<b>2.0</b>	<p><b><u>POLICE REPORT</u></b>            No Police</p>	
<b>3.0</b>	<p><b><u>MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES</u></b></p> <p><b>3.1</b> <u>Main Street</u>            Bollards are working again – DR no problems reported in last 17 days.            DR informed meeting that driving &amp; parking offences in Main Street had been discussed at area meeting - enforcement of will begin in January. Both police and NAC have agreed that all signage is legal &amp; appropriate.</p> <p><b>3.2</b> <u>Footpath at Dalry Road</u>            SK nothing new – although maintenance work has been done, still no payment has been requested.            Copy of letter to Katy Clark from Craig Hatton circulated – no further action.</p> <p><b>3.3</b> <u>Lady Glasgow’s Lamp</u>            No update - ongoing</p> <p><b>3.4</b> <u>Sun clock in McGavin Park</u>            Ongoing</p> <p><b>3.5</b> <u>Community Event</u>            Still to be decided.</p> <p><b>3.6</b> <u>War Memorial</u>            JH reported that War Memorial has been cleaned and brass plaque has been painted. Awaiting further information re specialist cleaning to stone.</p>	

4.0	<p><b><u>REVIEW of the Establishment of Community Councils in North Ayrshire</u></b></p> <p>Letter from Audrey Sutton circulated.  Concern of meeting is still about lack of elections to Community Councils – thus lack of publicity, and lack of general awareness.  DR stated that Neighbourhood Community Planning Meetings are to begin soon and Community Councils will be consulted. NAC are waiting from direction from Scottish Government on a number of matters.  JW again raised concern that The Review has just drifted away and that there has been a severe lack of communication.  RS stated that a great deal of work is being done by CCP, but agreed communication could be better.</p>	
5.0	<p><b><u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u></b></p> <p>Balances -  Administration account £752.08  Project account £199.80</p>	
6.0	<p><b><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u></b></p> <p>6.1 E-mail from Colin Reid re Tourism Champion Volunteers – would like to visit KCC. Agreed to invite to March meeting.</p> <p>6.2 Letter received from Pam Crosthwaite NAC re Road Services. Requested to respond to short questionnaire.  DR stated this is also available on-line. Roads &amp; Streetscene are to be better linked – this combined working should make for better services.</p> <p>JK commented on the problem of poor road markings – these should be reviewed, inspected and maintained at all times, not merely at times of resurfacing.  JH commented on issue of ambiguous road signs.  Further discussion identified a number of local and individual issues.  Agreed to answer individually – but also to bring pressing concerns from each local area to next meeting, this can be compiled and forwarded to NAC.</p>	<p><b>JG</b></p> <p><b>All</b></p>
7.0	<p><b><u>VISITORS</u></b></p> <p>Christine Watson gave details of Kilwinning Heritage celebrations on 21<sup>st</sup> Dec. to commemorate 200 years of the laying of the foundation stone of the Tower. KCC will be represented by JW and a few other members.</p>	
8.0	<p><b><u>AOB</u></b></p> <p>8.1 JW asked Councillors about change of directorates at NAC.  JF &amp; DR commented on a number of changes.  JW raised concerns about responsibility for town centre regeneration being that Irvine Bay is winding down. Confusion surrounds strategy for economic regeneration and development.  Agreed to invite Andrew Fraser to visit and discuss.</p> <p>RS agreed to forward an organisational chart of NAC – this is available on NAC web site.</p> <p>8.2 JW – application being submitted for tall wind turbines near Bankend Farm – agreed to invite representative from consultants to January meeting and to inform local residents.</p>	<p><b>JG</b></p> <p><b>RS</b></p> <p><b>JW</b></p>

<p><b>8.3</b></p> <p><b>8.4</b></p> <p><b>8.5</b></p> <p><b>8.6</b></p> <p><b>8.7</b></p> <p><b>8.8</b></p>	<p>JW – concern that number of stalls at Farmers’ Market seems to be reducing.</p> <p>RS – investigating considerations for play area in Corsehill.</p> <p>DR – reported on recent Budget Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 217 full time staff to go – hopefully voluntarily</li> <li>• Review of library opening times</li> <li>• Library roof works to start in February – may result in 6 week closure</li> <li>• Public toilet in Kilwinning to be removed</li> <li>• Implications raised for Kilwinning if Dalry by-pass occurs</li> <li>• Concern of local traders re proposed out-of-town development at fire station</li> <li>• Council has agreed to sale of land at rear of Loudon Crescent to house developer</li> <li>• Community Wardens to be phased out</li> <li>• Holiday school lunch clubs are to be introduced – available to all primary aged children</li> </ul> <p>BT raised concerns about lack of public toilets in town – especially with so many visitors coming to Abbey &amp; Tower.</p> <p>JM asked about trees being cleared at Melvin House – DR confirmed that houses are to be built in this area.</p> <p>SK will forward survey as noted in last minute.</p> <p>JW wished all present a Very Happy Christmas &amp; Good New Year</p>	
<p><b><u>DATE, TIME &amp; VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING</u></b>  <b>Thursday 15th January 2015 – 7.15pm Kilwinning Academy</b></p>		

*Minutes compiled by JG*