

KILWINNING COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Monthly meeting held on
Thursday 20th November 2014
Kilwinning Academy

Present	Bill Taylor (BT) - Vice-Chair Stephanie Krus(SK) - Treasurer Jim Kennedy(JK) Andy Robb(AR) Ted Somerville(TS)	Janey Grier(JG) - Secretary Colin Hedley(CH) Nairn McDonald(NM) Jim Miller(JM) Councillor Robert Steel(RS)
Visiting	Police Constable Page & Constable Rodger; John Harrison(JH)	Paul Quirk(PQ)

		ACTION
1.0	<p><u>WELCOME</u> The meeting was opened with a welcome from BT</p> <p><u>APOLOGIES</u> Jim Watson - Chair Councillor J. Ferguson Councillor D. Reid</p> <p><u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS – 16th October 2014</u> Approved by AR & JM</p>	
2.0	<p><u>POLICE REPORT</u> 2 new members of our community policing attended.</p> <p><u>Crimes 01/09/14 – 31/10/14</u> All Crimes – 178 Reports; 91 detected Assault – 14 Reports; 8 detected Robbery – 0 Reports; 0 detected Housebreakings – 7 Reports; 0 detected Damage to Property – 29 Reports; 2 detected Consumption of Alcohol – 1 Report; 1 detected Drugs Misuse – 15 Reports; 15 detected</p> <p><u>Crimes of Note</u> 2 Serious Assaults; 1 arrest</p> <p><u>Directed Patrol Plans</u> Housebreakings, Youth Disorder</p> <p>Rise in number of calls to police this year from 692 to 827</p> <p>BT thanked police for report.</p>	
3.0 3.1	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES</u></p> <p><u>Main Street</u> e-mail from Councillor D. Reid Bollards are working again – although intermittent. Discussion ensued about enforcement of driving & parking offences in Main Street. Agreed to write to Inspector Conway. RS has met with Roads Dept. with view to using CCTV to identify offences. All councillors are concerned about situation in Main Street. BT suggested that offending number plates should be noted and passed to police with details.</p>	JG

<p>3.2</p> <p>3.3</p> <p>3.4</p> <p>3.5</p> <p>3.6</p>	<p><u>Footpath at Dalry Road</u> SK nothing new.</p> <p><u>Lady Glasgow's Lamp</u> e-mail from JW – restoration almost complete, soon ready for installation.</p> <p><u>Sun clock in McGavin Park</u> Ongoing</p> <p><u>Community Event</u> Still to be decided.</p> <p><u>War Memorial</u> JH reported that War Memorial has been cleaned and brass plaque has been painted. Stone needs cleaned with a special material – agreed to write to Fiona Porter again, thanking for work done and asking for further work to be carried out.</p>	<p>JG</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p><u>REVIEW of the Establishment of Community Councils in North Ayrshire</u> Audrey Sutton did respond to say she had responded to letter and could not understand why reply was not received, agreed to resend response – still not received – RS agreed to speak to Audrey on matter. e-mail from Melanie Anderson stating that Community Councils will not require PVG checks. NM has e-mailed Kilwinning Academy & St. Matthew's about representation at KCC.</p>	<p>RS</p>
<p>5.0</p>	<p><u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u> Balances - Administration account £752.08 Project account £199.80</p>	
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	Community Councils in Scotland. SK agreed to collate answers from KCC – please e-mail any responses by 10 th Dec., can discuss at next meeting – closing date for survey is 19 th Dec.	All
7.0	<u>VISITORS</u> John Harrison & Paul Quirk were co-opted to KCC. Proposed JG, seconded AR.	
8.0	<u>AOB</u>	
8.1	JM – approach from resident in Underwood re an area of access to McGavin Park which is proving a nuisance to residents and unsafe as people are parking there when walking dogs. Fence needing replaced; foliage needing cut back and a lamp-post moved. RS agreed to progress.	RS
8.2	JK – 200 years since foundation stone was laid at Tower – celebration day on Sunday 21 st Dec.	
8.3	AR – Fly tipping at Nethermains continues to be a problem – RS has managed to get cycle paths cleared, so situation is better, however this is an on-going concern. Street Scene is good at lifting rubbish, but not good at enforcing fly tipping laws. Agreed to write asking for enforcement and seeking the possibility of CCTV, especially at night.	JG
8.4	JH – Raised concerns about litter and vandalism in Abbey Grounds. Discussion as to whether gates might be an option. CH stated that the Community Survey could help to identify this as a problem, also that Social Media could help by raising awareness to the town that this is an issue.	
8.5	BT informed meeting that The Royal Legion has been invited to Benzlie to see the War Memorial.	
8.6	CH informed meeting that major works are to start at the railway station – half of the new car park will be out of use due to machinery being in place – will bring more information to future meeting.	
8.7	RS a request for repairs and decoration has been submitted for Robert Service Court. A request has been made for a play area in the Corsehill area – only large area in town that has none. JH stated that the play area in Ladyford Ave. had been removed. NM stated that play areas are not being replaced due to vandalism. BT expressed regret that so many play areas have gone.	
	DATE, TIME & VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING Thursday 18th December 2014 – 7.15pm Kilwinning Academy	

Minutes compiled by JG