

Kilwinning Community Council

Minute of Meeting.

Thursday 17th October | 7pm | Nethermains Community Centre

Present: Ted Somerville(TS), Jim Watson (JW), Colin Hedley (CH), Mike Shepley (MS), Andy Robb (AR), Janey Grier (JG),

Visiting: Louise Riddex (Locality Officer), Ros Fallon (NAC), Andy Hamilton (Irvine Times), Janette Boyle (Elderly Forum), member of the public.

1	<p>Welcome: CH Welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies: LB, BK, JM, JH: Cllr Reid, Sgt Dodds, Kimberly Kirkwood</p> <p>Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Moved JG, Seconded AR - Approved.</p>	Action
2	<p>Police Report: Sgt Allen was on leave and provided a report for the month of September. Report to be distributed to all. Concern was expressed at traffic speeding on Dalry Road both entering, and leaving the town. Concerns were also raised about the volume of traffic on Stevenston Road and congestion between the mini roundabout and Pennyburn roundabout on the A78. As these are trunk roads, these matters should be raised with Transport Scotland. A letter to be sent to Campbell Dempster (NAC) asking that these issues are raised at the next quarterly meeting with Transport Scotland.</p> <p>Mike Shepley enquired about stop and search activities in the town and if it would be possible to have this information included in the monthly Police report. Concerned in particular, about how people committing offences move across the town and to what extent does stop and search identify children or vulnerable people who are being used to carry illegal substances or weapons. Sgt Dodds to be asked to speak about this at a future meeting. Sec'y to contact.</p>	JW JW JW
3	<p>Visitors: Ros Fallon, NAC provided an informative report on the preparations for winter gritting. The gritters will be on 24 hr standby from next week until April. The main focus is to keep open Priority 1 routes (trunk roads, bus routes) at all times and Priority 2 roads are cleared whenever capacity allows. There are 500 yellow grit bins around North Ayrshire and empty bins can be reported via the Council website and further information can be found at www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk/gritting.</p> <p>Street lighting faults can also be reported through the Council website. NAC is currently trialling a new online system called Your Voice Your View along with three other Scottish local authorities. Access via the Home page of the Council website.</p> <p>A good Q&A followed this presentation.</p>	
4	<p>Matters Arising: RBS Closure: Monitor the Land Registry.</p>	JW

	<p>Participatory Budgeting: application - awaiting decision; expected end October.</p> <p>Young People’s Participatory Budgeting: 128 applications.</p> <p>Claremont Crescent: Sgt Allen Dodds to provide traffic information. Next steps to be considered.</p>	
5	<p>Treasurers Report: Bank account is at the same level as last month. An expenses claim has been submitted by the Secretary for the wreath for Remembrance Day.</p> <p>NM had received a cheque for expenses however the Treasurer believes that some further money may be due to be paid. The Treasurer reminded everyone that all expense claims should be accompanied by a receipt and a completed expenses claim form as all expenses are scanned and stored by NAC auditors for a significant period. A copy of the expenses form will be circulated.</p>	JW
6	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>Two Planning applications have been submitted – two houses at the rear of Buckreddan and a development of commercial units at Muirside Steading. Concerns were raised about potential traffic difficulties at the second site if large commercial vehicles are accessing this location.</p> <p>A resident from Ladyford Avenue has raised a concern about the deteriorating condition of Kilwinning Rangers Football Park. NAC has responded that the Park remains the responsibility of the Club. JW has forwarded NAC Councillors contact details to the resident. Chair to contact Chair of Kilwinning Rangers to find out who is responsible for Park maintenance.</p> <p>NAC Budget Engagement consultation to be held in Kilwinning Academy on Monday 25th November from 5.30 – 8.00 pm. Four places have been booked – CH and MS currently attending – anyone else interested should contact the Chair.</p> <p>Discussion about supporting Promoting Kilwinning Tree appeal. Treasurer to enquire about using funds as part of our community engagement aims.</p> <p>Fireworks to be held on Tuesday 5th November and Fireworks Bingo fundraiser in the Playz on Sunday 20th October.</p> <p>Community Planning Conference, Sat 23rd November, Saltcoats Town Hall – time to be confirmed.</p>	CH

7	<p>Community Communications: Notice Board is currently full. Any posters for the Board should be handed into the 1st Alliance Credit Union. JW to compile list of contacts for elected representatives and display on Notice Board.</p>	
8	<p>Locality Update: Awaiting report on Charrette. LR will prepare a report when information is available and send to Secretary for distribution..</p>	LR
9	<p>Community Councillors: JG drew attention to the major refurbishment of the Co-op supermarket and the benefit to residents. She commended the staff on their forbearance during the upheaval.</p> <p>MS raised the topic of the recent World Mental Health Day and requested an update on the suicide rate among young men in North Ayrshire and any steps that are being taken to address this issue. LR to arrange a speaker from the Health and Social Care Partnership to speak to the CC in the new year.</p>	LR
1 0	<p>Elected Members: None present.</p>	
1 1	<p>A.O.B: JG highlighted the final strings concert in the Abbey Church on Sunday 27th October. All donations go towards the Organ Restoration Fund.</p>	
	<p>Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 21st November 7pm Kilwinning Academy</p>	