

Ordinary Meeting of KCC

Monday 2nd November 2021 at 7.30pm

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KCC : Jim Morrison (JM/Chair), Gavin MacLellan (GM/Vice-Chair), Andrew Sinnott (AS/Sec), Anita Anderson (AA/Treasurer) and David Scott-Park (DSP).

WDC : Cllr Sally Page (SP)

LLTNP : Willie Nisbet (WN)

Plus 8 other members of the public

2) Apologies

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3) Declaration of interest for tonight's agenda

None.

4) Minutes of meeting on 13th September 2021

Proposed as accurate by GM, seconded by DSP.

5) Matters Arising and Associated issues

The operators of the Auchencarroch landfill site, Barr Environmental have been hit with a £99m fine by HMRC and are appealing for the second time. Hopefully there is some news before our next meeting.

6) Treasurers Report

a. Outgoings : Monthly web hosting.

b. Current account balance : **£1001.23**

c. Benevolent fund balance : **£424.01**

7) Planning Matters

Old

2019/0175/DET Local Review - 2021/0002/REVREF Land at Dumbain Road

The planning officer's representation to the LRB explained the original refusal decision in context of the previous 2015 application which the developers referred to in support of their 2019 application.

WN informed us that the LRB had upheld the original decision to refuse.

New

2021/0359/DET - [Further application \(under section 42\) for planning permission for demolition of existing farm outbuilding and erection of dwellinghouse approved under 2014/0169/DET without occupancy restriction \(condition 1\)](#)

High Duncryne Farm Gartocharn G83 8SA

KCC has no comment

2021/0352/PPP - [Erection of dwellinghouse](#)

Land Adjacent (WNW) To Kerrknowe Badshalloch Road Gartocharn Alexandria G83 8SB

KCC has no comment

2021/0336/DET - [Change of use of guesthouse \(use class 7\) to residential dwellinghouse \(use class 9\)](#)

Old School House Gartocharn Alexandria G83 8SB

KCC has no comment

2021/0334/DET - [Change in the use and extension of workshop and store to form dwelling](#)

West Cambusmoon Farm Gartocharn Alexandria G83 8RS

KCC has no comment

Lomond Banks (Flamingoland)

Some people have received glossy brochures, most have not. Some project information is on their own website (<https://lomondbanks.com/>). No prior notice of recent consultations were given to KCC. The ones we knew about in August were cancelled.

GM expressed concern over the proposed loss of the car park site opposite Balloch Station. This will disincentivise rail travel and thus lead to more car journeys instead of rail journeys and on road parking nearer the station.

AS - The previous plan of re-siting an alternative half-way down Pier Road is not acceptable even if a shuttle service was provided. The present available information is not clear if an alternative car park will even be provided. Sacrificing a local public amenity for private gain should be discouraged if not prevented. Lots of publicity about world class treatment of visitors but none about *any* treatment of locals.

KCC to make representation on this and advise public to add their own comments via the Lomond Banks website.

SP – Fiona Robertson is the PR person for the consultation will be happy to meet groups with concerns.

Other

Solar Farm at Ross Priory – No plans have been submitted but concerns were raised over the potential negative visual impact due to alteration of the landscape.

2021/0280/DET - **Sub-division of garden ground and erection of dwellinghouse with detached garage and waste water treatment plant**

Aber Mill Gartocharn Alexandria G83 8NQ

The applicant asked if the CC had written a letter of support based on the discussions at the last meeting.

JM/GM will follow up.

8) Community Matters/Local Place Plan

LPP

JM was in contact with the NP regarding funding and SP with WDC but no response yet from either.

Broadband

Rollout continuing. There is no community project but individuals can track their connection delivery on the Digital Scotland website by putting in their postcode and address into the following site : <https://www.scotlandsuperfast.com/>. A quick check on a small selection of local postcodes show a range of dates from March to June 2022.

9) Kilmaronock Community Trust

Aber Dam Bridge.

KCT has been awarded the funding from the National Park for replacement of the bridge. We are currently obtaining new tenders from a range of suitable suppliers including those suggested by members of the community.

As in previous awards, the National Park are seeking to include some obligations on KCT which we cannot agree to so we are still in negotiation, however we are confident that the work will start by the deadline which is the end of February, depending on availability of materials.

New members

Anyone wanting to be involved or know more should get in touch (kct@gartocharn.org). They will be very welcome.

10) National Park Issues

We have an upcoming meeting with other CC's & the NP regarding the Planning Process.

11) West Dunbartonshire Council

Roads

JM, GM and AS attended a zoom meeting with the head of WDC Roads dept. Everything had to be explained again so that they could make a new plan. All the previously agreed work has been shelved for various reasons. Next meeting scheduled for end of November.

WN raised the issue of the A811 collapse into the Endrick on the Stirling side and that we ought to apply pressure to Stirling Council via WDC. SP informed us that stabilising work is due to commence around 18th November.

Review of the CC Scheme of Establishment

A meeting is due for the second round of consultations. GM cannot attend so gave us some points to pass on from him, that communication and respect between CC's and Council is a 2-way street. Recent derogatory comments from Cllr Jim Bollan ought to have drawn an apology from WDC.

Councillor Page

Cllr Bollan has received many sharp emails regarding his comments about CCs but is unrepentant.

SP also had discussions about roads and the fault reporting system. Here is the link to the Council's website where the online form can be completed - <https://www.west-dunbarton.gov.uk/roads-parking-travel/report-street-issues/potholes/>

There is a similar page for reporting blocked gullies leading to flooding and many other issues.

Barr Environmental having received a huge fine and a change in operating procedure are charging more for their services which is a huge hit on WDC budget.

WDC refused planning permission for a development on greenbelt land but ScotGov overturned it.

There is a national Defib register, AS confirmed that the village Defib is on the Scottish Ambulance Service register and Trossachs Search & Rescue site.

There will be a collection of garden tools at the upcoming Fri coffee morning to donate to CHAS.

12) Correspondence

Police crime report appended.

Waste Handling/Landfill Presentation

AS remains in correspondence with Kenny Lang (WDC) & Steven Devine (SEPA) and now plan to do this at the next meeting in January in the hall.

Forestry & Land Scotland have advised us of an upcoming Ross Woods path survey.

VoL Trust – Brought our attention to the reduced opening days of BoS branches in Alexandria & Helensburgh and their concerns over a future permanent closure. GM spoke to branch manager and they are expecting to go back to 5 day operation by end of the year.

13) Next Meeting

Monday 10th January 2022 at 19:30 back in KMH

Please send in any agenda items in good time to secretary@kilmarnockcc.org

15) AOB

DSP reported a deep pothole at Mill Loan, SP has reported it with pictures.

WN asked that if not meeting in hall we consider using a different online platform – there are too many difficulties for those without superfast broadband.

A couple of meetings ago, complaints were made regarding the state of the field behind the hall. It has been deliberately left to overgrow and had leylandii planted to disturb the view. As it is private land there is little that can be done unless there are proscribed vegetation e.g. noxious weeds.

Meeting closed at 21:05h



COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Name of Community Council:- KILMARONOCK

Date of Report:- 28/10/2021

Submitting / officer:- PC Dale Logsdon

<p>Crimes/Offences that have occurred in community area since last meeting</p>	<p>Police Report covering the period 01/09/2021 – 28/10/2021 inclusive.</p> <p>2 reported crimes.</p> <p>The Crimes can be summarised as follows;</p> <p>Mobbing and Rioting : 0</p> <p>Wilful fire-raising : 0</p> <p>Common Assault : 0</p> <p>Theft/Att Housebreaking – Domestic :</p> <p><i>1 – Occurred at Gartocharn Primary School. Unknown person did damage door frame and pull door open before gaining entry. Nothing reported stolen.</i></p> <p>Theft (Unclassified) :</p> <p><i>1 – Occurred at Robin House Hospice. Unknown persons did force padlock from outside container and steal hedge trimmer. Enquiries ongoing.</i></p> <p>Possess Drugs : 0</p> <p>Breach of the Peace/Disorder : 0</p> <p>Vandalism : 0</p> <p>Vehicle/traffic Crime : 0</p> <p>Fraud : 0</p> <p>Breach of Bail : 0</p> <p>Other : 0</p>
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	<p>The above excludes fixed penalty notices issued in respect of anti-social behaviour, non-endorsable and endorsable offences (Road Traffic).</p> <p>Some useful links for crime prevention;</p> <p>https://www.scotland.police.uk/advice-and-information/your-home/</p> <p>https://www.scotland.police.uk/advice-and-information/scams-and-frauds/doorstep-crime-and-bogus-callers/</p>
Updates on previous actions	
Incidents of note or crime trends	
Forthcoming events / Initiatives	
This month – Issues raised at the meeting	

Contact Us

I would urge the community to continue to use Crimestoppers if wishing to leave anonymous information regarding incidents which are happening within the community. The telephone phone number is 0800 555 111 and is operated 24hrs a day.

It should be noted that due to a recent restructure within Argyll & West Dunbartonshire Division we no longer have a dedicated Community Policing Officer for your area. Information contained on this form has been gathered by an officer from the Community Engagement Team. Any issues raised at the meeting will be disseminated to either Local Policing or Problem Solving Team officers.

If you wish to contact us direct with any specific complaints or concerns, please contact the following based at Dumbarton Police Office;

Community Engagement Team Sergeant – Brian Simpson

Tel: 101