

Ordinary Meeting of KCC

Monday 6th November 2023 at 7.30pm

in Kilmarnock Millennium Hall

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KCC : Gavin MacLellan (Vice-chair/GM), Andrew Sinnott (Secretary/AS), Anita Anderson (Treasurer/AA), David Scott Park (DSP)

KCT : Bob Shand, Mary Sweetland

LPP : Rob Vincent

LLTNPA : David Mackie

Balloch Castle Country Park Regeneration Group : Sally Page, Audrey Baird & Gillian Clark

Kilmarnock Old Kirk Trust : Willie Roxburgh & Janet Beveridge

Plus 4 other members of the community

2) Apologies

Geraldine MacDonald (WDC), Cllr. Hazell Sorrell, Police Scotland

3) Declaration of interest for tonight's agenda

None.

4) Minutes of meeting on 11th September 2023

Proposed as accurate by DSP, seconded by AA.

5) Matters Arising and Associated issues

The VoL wind farm planning application has been lodged with the Energy Consents Unit for Ministers to determine.

Reference : ECU00003468

<https://www.energyconsents.scot/ApplicationDetails.aspx?cr=ECU00003468>

6) Treasurers Report

a. Outgoings since last meeting were £26.39 (KMH rental and internet hosting).

b. Current account balance : **£1166.58**

c. Benevolent fund balance : **£354.41**

Based on predicted outgoings to end of year, there are sufficient funds for upgrading the website, assuming it costs around £300.

7) Planning Matters

New since last meeting

Formation of two dormer windows at The Blair, Gartocharn.

The Blair Gartocharn Alexandria G83 8RX

Ref. No: 2023/0394/HAE | Received: Fri 20 Oct 2023 | Validated: Fri 20 Oct 2023 | Status: Current

Replacement windows

Centre Stables Boturich Road Balloch West Dunbartonshire G83 8LX

Ref. No: 2023/0340/LBC | Received: Fri 15 Sep 2023 | Validated: Fri 15 Sep 2023 | Status: Current

Erection of dwellinghouse and formation of access track

Land At Windy Park Farm Blairlusk Gartocharn G83 8NB

Ref. No: 2023/0330/DET | Received: Thu 07 Sep 2023 | Validated: Thu 07 Sep 2023 | Status: Current

The above applications were discussed with no issues arising.

8) Community Matters/Local Place Plan

Balloch Castle County Park Regeneration Group

Sally Page and Audrey Baird gave a presentation on the formation and objectives of the BCCPRG followed by a Q&A.

Kilmarnock Old Kirk Trust

Willie Roxburgh gave a presentation on the progress and next steps for the KOKT in the restoration of the Old Kirk including an explanation of the plans for internal alterations and development of the grounds recently acquired adjacent to the Kirk.

LPP

Rob Vincent gave an update on the progress of the LPP through to the most recent community consultation meeting last month. Currently the text is awaiting the addition of maps expected next week. Once KCC have reviewed the plan it will be made available for elected members of WDC and neighbouring communities for a 28 day period for them to comment. The plan will then be officially submitted to LLTNPA & WDC for registration.

From then on, there will need to be an Implementation Plan to bring forward the projects identified within the LPP.

9) Kilmarnock Community Trust

KCT trustees will be meeting next week and will discuss the LPP with a view to progressing some of the projects that have arisen.

10) National Park Issues

David Mackie (DM) was present to discuss recent NP initiatives such as the National Park Partnership Plan and the development of the next Local Development Plan. The government are proposing two more National Parks at Lochaber and Dumfries & Galloway.

DM was advised of the lack of notice to local farmers to contribute to recent consultations.

KCC have recently been sent notice of a consultation on [Scotland's Strategic Framework for Biodiversity](#).

11) West Dunbartonshire Council

Roads

We are awaiting a suitable date for a meeting with Roads dept.

AS to follow up on getting a date organised to meet them at their office.

Waste & Recycling

Since the last meeting, Cllr Sorrell helped us get a response from WDC regarding a contact point at Barr Environmental. After discussion, it was decided not to pursue a visit to Barr at Auchencarroch but instead to ask WDC Waste Services Manager to join our next meeting to talk about recycling strategy.

AS to follow up with WDC Waste management team to issue invite to our next meeting.

Balloch Library

It was recently announced that Balloch Library was to be relocated from its present building to a space within Balloch School Campus. There was no public consultation or information on what options were explored, if any, other than complete closure. Cllr Sorrell was unable to attend tonight so after discussion it was decided to write to her and include any response with these minutes. See below...

Post meeting Cllr. Sorrell informed us that there was no budget available to keep Balloch Library in its present location.

"In May 2022. I was elected to Lomond ward. We were left with a £13.8 million debt and with inflation and the pay rise it jumped to £21.8 million. As a Labour administration we had to implement the cuts while safeguarding the most vulnerable in West Dunbartonshire.

The Library has been on the cards many times for closure and each time we have saved it. Balloch Library will not close but will be re located to Balloch Campus which is 20 metres away.

The Library will have its own enclosed entrance and the users will not be amongst the kids who go to this school."

12) Correspondence

Police report : Three recorded crimes – vandalism, extortion and wildlife crime. Further information was requested, as the police were not due to be present, but it did not arrive in time.

Other known incidents of theft, not listed, were brought up so will be passed on for comment.

AS to report back to Police Scotland.

13) Next Meeting

Monday 15th January 2024 at 19:30 in KMH

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



COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Name of Community Council: - Kilmaronock

Date of Report: - 6th November 2023

Submitting Officer: - PC Stephen McGarrigle

Crimes/Offences that have occurred in community area since last meeting	Police Report covering the period 10/09/23 - 05/11/23
	There were 3 recorded crimes summarised as follows :
	Vandalism 1 (0 detected)
	Attempt Extortion 1 (0 detected)
	Section 1 Protection of Wild Mammals (S) Act 2002 1 (0 detected)

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.

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

Community Policing Sergeant – Alan Heron

Tel: 101