

Annual General Meeting of KCC

7:30 pm 19th May 2025

Kilmaronock Millennium Hall, Gartocharn

1) Sederunt

CC : Gavin MacLellan (Vice-chair/GM), Andrew Sinnott (Secretary/AS), Anita Anderson (Treasurer/AA) and 7 members of the public

2) Apologies

David Scott-Park, Stuart Smith, Martin Rooney and Willie Roxburgh

3) Minutes of the AGM on 13th May 2024

The minutes were proposed as accurate by AS and seconded by AA.

4) Chairman's report

The post of chairman remains vacant. Gavin MacLellan as Vice-chair has performed the duties of the chair in the meantime.

Last year's work comprised of

- the production of the Kilmaronock Local Place Plan,
- liaising with WDC Roads Dept,
- engaging with the Woodlands Trust,
- discussing school placements with Gartocharn Primary School and Early Learning Centre,
- investigating with the War Memorials Trust over a potential relocation of the War Memorial,
- dealing with issues arising from the proposed FlamingLand "Lomond Banks" development,
- active participation in the WDC Community Council Forum and the proposals regarding a SCIO to handle any Community Benefit Funds that may arise from the proposed VoL Windfarm development,
- forming local alliances with neighbouring CC's
- supporting the Balloch Park regeneration project

In addition to our regular meetings we also held a special meeting for the RSPB team to present their plans for a nature hub.

Thanks to the community councillors for their efforts.

5) Treasurers Report

The Fiscal Year (FY) ran from 1st March 2024 to 28th February 2025.

Due to imposition of banking fees, the Benevolent Fund was rolled into a ring-fenced part of the main fund.

During the Fiscal Year, the office of Treasurer was borne by Anita Anderson. The account signatories are Andrew Sinnott & Anita Anderson.

The account ran a surplus of £726.76 primarily due to the transfer of the Benevolent Fund. Actual expenditure was £385.09.

Main account balance : **£1791.78**

Benevolent fund balance (within the above balance) : **£354.41**

Special thanks go to David S. Taylor for his prompt examination of the accounts.

The statement of accounts is appended to these minutes.

6) Secretary's report

Andrew Sinnott held the position of secretary for this term and attended all KCC meetings. There were 6 ordinary meetings and 2 special meetings held. The special meetings were for the implementation of projects arising from the Local Place Plan and for the latest RSPB planning application.

There were also 4 CC Forum meetings along with various consultations in person or online.

Main themes this year :

Development Management (Planning)

KCC has had several engagements with the planning department as a statutory consultee. 23 applications have been presented and discussed in the past year including the special meeting for the RSPB.

West Dunbartonshire Council

Most of our engagement with the council has been with the Roads department. Not only on the general condition of roads and gulleys but also on re-establishment of a safer and more useable footway along the A811 from Balloch to Gartocharn. This year we also presented the Local Place Plan and highlighted the relevant projects within it.

KCC also met with the Education, Learning and Attainment department to discuss the priority of placements at the Early Learning Centre in Gartocharn Primary School.

7) Election of Office Bearers

Until further notice or by the addition of new recruits, the office bearers will remain as:

Chair : Vacant

Vice chair : Gavin MacLellan

Secretary : Andrew Sinnott

Treasurer : Anita Anderson

It was noted that the attendance for regular meetings has declined severely over the years and that public meetings on a Monday evening may not be the best way to conduct our business.

GM proposed reducing the number of meetings to 3 per year which was rejected. AS suggested that CC's could use a rota so that each CC can reduce their meeting commitments while retaining a quorum. Also rejected.

After wider discussion it was suggested altering the meeting schedule to alternate between 3 ordinary agenda meetings and 3 more bespoke meetings where a main topic has a guest speaker and a forum for discussion.

KCC will discuss this further and present the findings at the next meeting.

8) AOCB

If anyone knows anyone interested in joining the CC either full or part time then ask them to contact the secretary.

9) Date of next AGM - Monday 11th May 2026 @ 7:30 pm

10) Nominal programme for forthcoming general meetings :

Mon July 7th

Mon September 1st

Mon November 3rd

Mon January 12th

Mon March 2nd

Mon May 11th and AGM

Meeting closed at 7.55pm

Appendix 1

KILMARNOCK COMMUNITY COUNCIL		
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT - YEAR TO 28 FEBRUARY 2025		
	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2023-24</u>
Income		
West Dunbartonshire Council	757.44	757.44
KCC Benevolent Fund	354.41	
Expenditure		
Rent of Millennium Hall for meetings / Zoom e-meetings	96.00	138.50
Subs: Assoc for Protection of Rural Scotland		
Expenses	0.00	0.00
Website fees (Development)	0.00	0.00
Website fees (maintenance)	70.00	150.00
Website fees (hosting)	179.10	155.00
Miscellaneous	39.99	24.99
Total	<u>385.09</u>	<u>468.49</u>
Net surplus (deficit)	<u>726.76</u>	<u>288.95</u>
BALANCE SHEET AT 28 FEBRUARY 2025		
Assets		
Cash at bank	1791.78	1065.02
Unpaid cheques	0.00	0.00
	<u>1791.78</u>	<u>1065.02</u>
Represented by:		
Opening funds	1065.02	776.07
Surplus/(deficit) for year	726.76	288.95
Closing funds	<u>1791.78</u>	<u>1065.02</u>
(signed) <u>A. Anderson</u>	Anita Anderson, Treasurer	
<u>27 March</u> 2025		
I have examined the foregoing accounts of Kilmarnock Community Council for the [redacted] y opinion they are in accordance with the books and records of the organisation and the explanations given to me.		
(signed) <u>[Signature]</u>	David S Taylor ACA, Independent Examiner	
<u>27 March</u> 2025	Auchenlachie, Gartocharn, Alexandria, G83 8RR	