

KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE 2015

Members present	Jim Allan, Margery Burdon, Andrew Donaldson, Margaret Harrison (Chair), Hilary McGregor, Jim Ptolomey, Heather Wright
Apologies	Pam Campbell, Janet Duncan, Cllr Ian Muirhead, Brenda Pell, Kirstie Robertson, David Scott
In attendance	13 members of the public, Christine Bauwens (Minute Secretary)
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CC215 – MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20 MAY 2015

The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

CC216 – MATTERS ARISING

- **CC203 – Matters Arising – Turnip Field**

It was agreed that Margaret contact SC enquiring about the recent pattern of grass cutting in the Turnip Field. (*Action MH*)

- **CC203 – Matters Arising – Road End Bin Collections**

Following correspondence from KCC to SC regarding our concerns about road end bin collections, it was agreed to closely monitor the situation with Ibert Road and Endrick Road collections.

- **CC204 – Killlearn Primary School Parent Council Proposal**

A letter of support has been written to the Parent Council regarding the footpath.

- **CC213 – Correspondence**

The bus shelter panels at the Spar bus stop have been replaced.

- **CC214 – Any Other Business**

The memorial plaque for Derek Stuart's bench is still awaited.

Repairs to the footpath at Blackhill Crossroads have been carried out and it was agreed to send a letter of thanks to SC for this work. (*Action MH*)

CC217 – POLICE MATTERS

The meeting were informed of the following:

- One driver caught speeding (41 mph) on Main Street. Fixed penalty ticket applied.
- One driver caught speeding (69 mph) on Station Road. Case to Procurator Fiscal .
- Incidence of theft by shoplifting at Killlearn Co-op.

- Continuation of Operation Zenith Campaign and Summer Drink Driving Campaign.
- Anti-social behaviour in the National Park is being tackled by using Operation Ironworks, with officers proactively patrolling in the East Loch Lomond area.

The full police report is available on KCC website www.killlearncc.org.uk

CC218 – BROADBAND IN KILLEARN

Stephen Chambers, Community Project Officer for Digital Scotland spoke to the meeting regarding fibre broadband being brought to Killlearn. He outlined the benefits of fibre broadband both to businesses and homes and the technology involved. Stephen then explained that 188 households will be connected to the two cabinets at the top of Station Road and at Blane Smithy for fibre broadband which should be available July-December 2015. 331 additional homes will be connected directly to the BT exchange, enabling them to access fibre broadband January-July 2016. Although speeds of up to 80 MB are advertised by fibre broadband providers, actual speeds will depend on proximity to cabinet/exchange. To determine whether properties will be connected to a cabinet or to the exchange, please go to <http://www.digitalscotland.org/superfast-broadband/where-and-when> to enter postcode or telephone number into the Instant Checker.

It was agreed to form a small steering group to monitor implementation in Killlearn headed by Doug Ashworth and to invite a representative of the businesses operating from Killlearn Mill to be part of this group. It was also agreed to contact Stuart Thomson who formed a similar group in Kippen to learn about their experience. Contact details to be provided by Stephen Chambers and followed up by Margaret. (*Action MH*)

CC219 – COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

As Cllr Muirhead was unable to attend the meeting due to illness, Margery outlined the following from his report:

Changes in the way Priority Based Budgeting process operates will make it a continual and ongoing operation throughout the year.

SC is currently in the process of drafting a new Local Development Plan. A Main Issues Report will be put out to consultation between August and October 2015. There are no proposals as yet for any additional sites in Killlearn over and above those earmarked for development. However, the consultation will provide an opportunity to highlight the need to make development on the Killlearn Hospital site as attractive to developers as possible.

CC220 – QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

CC221 – YOUTH MATTERS

There was no youth report.

CC222 – TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash in Bank as at 31 March 2015	£1150.31
Expenses	£ 97.99
Current Balance	£1052.32

SC has approved grant of £375.85 for 2015/2016 net of insurance premium of £65.00

CC223 – PLANNING

- **Valid Planning Applications Received**

15/00195/FUL Erection of double garage at 7 Drumbeg Loan, Killearn.
No comment.

15/00217/PPP-JJ Erection of new Dwellinghouse west of Cambar, Killearn.
Asked for boundary of settlement to be established as this is unit no 9 out of 10 permitted as a settlement.

15/00231/ADV Erection of new Fascia at 65 Main St Killearn
No comment.

15/00236/FUL Conversion of garage to 1.5 storey house at Am Fasgadh,
Drumtian Rd Killearn
No comment.

15/00230/FUL Install Bank Teller at 56 Main St Killearn.
No comment.

15/00274/PPP-ML Erection of new House adjacent and North East of
20 Drumbeg Loan Killearn.
Have commented that we would object on grounds of Environmental Impact and
Relationship to Surroundings.

- **Decisions of Appointed Officers**

15/00136/FUL Erection of 1.5 storey House at Pendle Cottage Killearn.
Approve with conditions.

15/00073/FUL Install BT Broadband Cabinet on verge opposite 22 Station Road,
Killearn.
Approve with conditions.

15/00136/FUL Erection of new House at Pendle Cottage, Killearn.
Approve with conditions

15/00072/FUL Erection of House in garden grounds of 25 Station Road, Killearn.
Approve with conditions.

15/00195/FUL Erection of double Garage at Drumwhirn 7 Drumbeg Loan,
Killearn.
Approve with conditions.

- **Planning Enforcement**

EN/15/057/NONCOM Breach of Construction hours Drumbeg Loan, Killearn.

- **Other Planning Issues**

Draft guidance SG33 issued for Wind Energy Developments. Comments by
6 July 2015.

- **Forestry Planting and Felling Proposals.**
Request to determine whether Afforestation project at Duntreath, Killearn will require Environmental Impact Consent.
- **Finnich Glen**

Filming due take place at Finnich Glen from 1 – 5 July may result in parking problems at Finnich Toll.

CC224 – REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Margery reported on a meeting with Stacey Burlet and Stewart Carruthers of SC which was attended by representatives from Killearn (Margery Burdon and Brenda Pell), Balforn and Strathblane. This was a welcome opportunity to meet officials from SC and provided a direct link should this be required. No further information was available regarding the community pilot projects. It is likely that this will be taken forward when a new member of staff takes up post at the end of June.

CC225 – CORRESPONDENCE

Margery spoke to the correspondence record, highlighting the following items:

- Following receipt of two further letters from local residents regarding the ongoing problems in Birch Road and Station Road/Lampson Road, Jim Allan updated the meeting on the situation. A response from SC is awaiting regarding the School Traffic Plan recommendations. It is hoped that Birch Road, as well as all of the “Tree” estate, will become a 20 mph zone.

Further to a recent meeting with SC officers, the 30 mph sign on Station Road will remain where it is currently sited and a 40 mph buffer zone will be introduced beyond same. Traffic calming measures are also due to be put in place after consultation with KCC.

- Scottish Health Council discussion group to be held on 2 July 2015, 4.00 pm – 5.30 pm at Forth Valley Royal Hospital to look at the review of primary care GP out of hour services.
- Email from Assistant Tree Officer at SC regarding a wood carving of the Ladies Linn and other native wildlife in Killearn Glen. This carving was made from the large oak tree which fell last year near the top of the Glen at Beech Drive. It was agreed that a warm email expressing thanks for all that has been done should be sent in reply. (*Action MB*)

CC226 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no further business to discuss .

CC227 – DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next KCC meeting will be held on 16 September 2015 at 8.00 pm in Killearn Primary School .

The meeting ended at 9.30 pm.