KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 OCTOBER 2015

Members present	Margery Burdon, Andrew Donaldson, Margaret Harrison (Chair), Hilary McGregor, Jim Ptolomey, Heather Wright
Apologies	Jim Allan, Janet Duncan, Brenda Pell, Kirstie Robertson, David Scott
In attendance	Doug Ashworth, Cllr Alistair Berrill, Sgt David McNally, Gillian Taylor SC, 10 members of the public, Christine Bauwens (Minute Secretary)
How to contact us	Go to www.killearncc.org.uk and click on contact button

CC247 – MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2015

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

CC248 – POLICE MATTERS

Margaret welcomed back Sgt David McNally, who has been recently transferred to Balfron Police Station. David informed the meeting of the following:

- 10 Hebridean sheep, worth £600, stolen from the area behind Killearn Hospital.
- Gang target on Killearn Co-op and Drymen Spar looking for change in notes.
- Damage to car in Birch Road. Police believe this to have been targeted and are continuing investigation.
- PC Ray Murphy and PC Stephen Graham appointed as Ward Officers to take up post 23 November.
- Traffic control to be implemented during Killearn Fireworks on 7 November.
- On Remembrance Sunday, road will be closed and drivers asked to turn engines off as a mark of respect around 11.00 am.
- Reminder to leave house lights on late afternoon around dusk to deter burglars.

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

CC249 – MATTERS ARISING

• CC232 – Roads Report

As Jim A was unable to attend the meeting, Margery outlined the following:

Despite contacting SC in January regarding poor condition of several pavements in Killearn, and promises of updates from SC, no information has been received regarding our place in a prioritised list. Disappointment and frustration was expressed at the lack of response from SC.

Concern re inappropriate speed of large agricultural vehicles on Ballochruin Road will be forwarded to Sgt McNally.

Local resident has raised concern over the width of pavement at junction of Beech Drive and Main Street. It was agreed to request qualified advice from SC.

• CC236 – SC Consultation on Station Road

Further information was requested on 17 September from SC regarding the proposed no waiting area in Station Road. Margery received no acknowledgement of her email and is still awaiting a response. Again, frustration was expressed at the lack of communication from SC.

• CC237 – Scottish Boundaries Commission Consultation

Response to the consultation has been sent.

• CC244 – Correspondence – Cow Field

Clarification from SC has been received regarding the cow field. There is a right of access to the cow field but this does not preclude the landowner from grazing stock or erecting fencing on the land.

CC250 – PRESENTATION BY GILLIAN TAYLOR SC – COMMUNITY PILOT PROJECT

Gillian Taylor SC spoke to the meeting regarding the Communities in Partnership Service and the community test project which will work with four communities to look at ways in which services are provided by SC. The four test site areas are:

- Cowie
- Stirling (top of the town)
- Balfron, Killearn and Strathblane
- Strathfillan and Killin

Over the past three months Gillian Taylor has been gathering views from these communities. Initial workshops have been arranged in local areas and it is hoped that CCs from Killearn, Balfron and Strathblane will have a further meeting in early November.

CC251 – KILLEARN BROADBAND GROUP

Doug Ashworth updated the meeting on the work of the KBG team preparing for the Open Day on Saturday 24 October in the Village Hall. After the Open Day, information will be available on KCC website for those unable to attend.

CC252 – SC CONSULTATION ON POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF GRASS VERGE ADJACENT TO 16 ELDER ROAD, KILLEARN

Following discussion, KCC voted to object on environmental grounds as this area is part of the landscaping of the housing estate and is a public green space.

CC253 – PLANNING

• Valid Planning Applications Received

15/00567/FUL. Erection of two additional dwelling houses at former hall Main Street, Killearn. KCC has commented on this proposal and will object.

15/00570/FUL. Upper rear extension. balcony and front porch at 16 Elder Road, Killearn. No comment.

• Decisions of Appointed Officers

15/00426/FUL. Convert outbuildings to habitable accommodation at Drumore Farm, Gartness Road, Killearn. Approve with conditions

15/00451/FUL. Rear extension to 4 Buchanan Road ,Killearn. Approve with conditions.

15/00466/PPP. Erection of single dwelling at land West of Camber, Killearn. (Planning in principle) Approve with conditions.

15/00503/FUL. Erect decking to rear of 2 Birch Road, Killearn. Approve with conditions.

• **Planning Enforcement** EN/15/112/ENF. Use of property for B and B.

• Other Planning Issues

EN/15089/UNAUTH. Log Store at Greenend Lane, Killearn. More information required. No breach of regulations.

• Forestry Planting and Felling Proposals.

Application to plant conifer trees at Distillery behind bond warehouses. Public consultation ends 6 November 2015.

CC254 – FOOTBALL PAVILLION

Bob Ballantyne updated the meeting on the Football Pavillion as follows:

- Construction work to be undertaken by local Milngavie contractor at cost of £70,000.
- Site enablement works to be completed before end of 2015:
 - Pedestrian access path
 - o Tree/shrub removal
 - o Security fencing
 - Tree protection fencing
 - Play park equipment (seesaw and swings) relocation
- Construction work to begin early January 2016 with completion before Easter.
- Strict exclusion zone 22 m tree perimeter
- Provision of three changing rooms, toilets and showers.
- Open to whole community.
- Killearn Football Club responsible for maintenance of building.
- A single trench for water and electricity from breech point at Birch Road.
- Site deliveries made to Birch Road.
- Site parking behind Killearn Hotel.
- Every effort will be made to keep disruption to a minimum.

CC255 – COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Alistair Berrill reported on the following:

- SC to look at all options regarding Village Officers and the maintenance and cleaning of villages.
- SC to investigate the feasibility of going directly to SC Committees rather than via Petitions Panel.
- SC to carefully consider the care of the elderly and provision of GP services at the December meeting of full SC.
- PBB meeting at Balfron High School on Tuesday 17 November at 7.00 pm.
- SC lost the instruction for repair to the War Memorial but hope the work will be done by Remembrance Sunday.

CC256 – TREASURER'S REPORT

Current Balance - £1298.38 KCC received Connect Fund grant of £473 for Broadband Open Day.

CC257 – QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

CC258 – YOUTH MATTERS

There was no Youth Report as Kirstie was unable to attend the meeting.

CC259 – REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

- Andrew attended Thinking Digitally meeting organised by SC. This provided information and advice for community councils to engage with the public online.
- Margery attended PPB meeting. The next consultation may include proposals for fundamental changes in the way that SC services operate. SC website is to be reviewed and redesigned.

CC260 – CORRESPONDENCE

Margery spoke to the correspondence record re SC review of C10 and C12 bus services. This will be discussed further at the next KCC meeting. See KCC website for more info.

CC261 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- KCC agreed to support Tennis Club in their funding bid to Co-op Local Fund for surfacing and netting of small side court used by younger children.
- Forth Valley and Lomond LEADER consultation on the rural economy to be held in Village Hall on 29 October at 7.30 pm.
- Last brown bin collection for the year will be on 26 November.

CC262 – DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next KCC meeting will be held on 18 November 2015 at 8.00 pm in Killearn Primary School. A report will be given on the Broadband Open Day. The meeting ended at 10.05 pm.