

## **KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 MAY 2016**

Members present	Jim Allan, Margery Burdon, Andrew Donaldson, Margaret Harrison (Chair), Jim Ptolomey, David Scott
Apologies	Janet Duncan, Hilary McGregor, Brenda Pell, Kirstie Robertson, Heather Wright
In attendance	Doug Ashworth, Cllr Alistair Berrill, PS David McNally, Euan Shaw, 14 members of the public, Christine Bauwens (Minute Secretary)
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### **CC352 – MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20 APRIL 2016**

It was agreed to record an objection by some members of the public to the minute CC343 – Blairessan Development. Disagreement was expressed regarding the second sentence of the last paragraph which they felt should have ended "... to be sent to the CP." This, however, was not borne out by notes taken at the meeting and the minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

### **CC353 – POLICE MATTERS**

PS David McNally informed the meeting of the following:

- Car vandalised in Rowan Crescent between Saturday 9 April and Sunday 10 April. Ongoing enquiry.
- Noisy youths causing disturbance in the area of Killearn Primary School on Friday evening 22 April were traced and advised by police.
- In early hours of Sunday 24 April, complaint re loud music from residential property in Harpers Road. Police attended and provided advice.
- Male found in possession of a controlled drug on A875, Killearn on 5 May.
- Careless driving incident on A875, Killearn reported by member of public.
- Male driver reported to Procurator Fiscal driving at 56 mph on Station Road.
- On 14 May, male driver fined £100 for using mobile phone while driving on Main Street.
- One vehicle road traffic collision on A875 near Glengoyne Distillery. No injuries sustained.
- Continued monitoring of speeding and inconsiderate parking in area.
- On 10 May, theft by housebreaking at properties in Drumbeg Loan and Kirkland Avenue, Blanefield. On 11 May, further housebreaking at house in Birch Road. Perpetrator was disturbed and fled. He is described as pale white male, early 20's, athletic build with short ginger hair and a hooked nose. Entry was gained to each property by forcing windows open. Jewellery, alcohol, an electronic device and cash were stolen. Police enquiries are ongoing but residents are encouraged to report any suspicious activity to the police.

The full police report is available on KCC website [www.killlearncc.org.uk](http://www.killlearncc.org.uk)

PS McNally agreed to monitor speeding on Gartness Road and Beech Drive. Appreciation was expressed by KCC for the work done by PCs Ray Murphy and Steven Graham.

## **CC354 – MATTERS ARISING**

- **CC345 – Telephone Kiosk**

The telephone kiosk has been offered to All Killearn Archives. Reply is awaited.

- **CC350 – Any Other Business – KCFC Village Action Plan**

Meeting regarding Village Action Plan was publicised via social media and was well attended. Residents interested in becoming involved should join email list via KCFC website.

## **CC355 – REPORT FROM KILLEARN BROADBAND GROUP**

Doug spoke to the meeting highlighting the following points:

- Cabinet E3 on Station Road is now accepting orders again.
- Work does not appear to have started as yet on the Crosshead Road cabinet.
- Broadband Delivery Group (BDG) meeting held on 21 April.
- Doug Ashworth to represent local South West Area community councils at future BDG group meetings.
- Extra cabinets may be provided in Killearn area over next three years.

The full report is available on KCC website [www.killearncc.org.uk](http://www.killearncc.org.uk)

## **CC356 – PLANNING**

- **Valid Planning Applications Received**

16/00262/FUL Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of new dwelling and relocation of existing garage at Pendle Cottage, Killearn.  
KCC to request larch boarding be darkened down by staining or painting.

16/00302/FUL Change of use to become 2 bed ground floor flat at former Butcher's Shop, 54 Main Street, Killearn.  
KCC to enquire re parking provision.

- **Decisions of Appointed Officers**

16/00132/FUL Erection of sectional garage at 2 Buchanan Road, Killearn  
Approve with conditions.

16/00170/FUL Orangery Extension at 26 Balfron Road, Killearn  
Approve with conditions.

16/00192/FUL Single room extension at Atholl, 24 Lampson Road, Killearn  
Approve with conditions.

16/00149/FUL Single storey extension with patio, roof terrace, new window in bedroom and 2 larger roof lights to gym at Lindale, Lampson Road, Killearn  
Approve with conditions.

- **Planning Enforcement**

EN/16/046/NONCOM Alleged deviation in house position Station Road, Killearn

## **Killearn Hotel**

Shutters at the front of Killearn Hotel have been taken away and electrical and plumbing work carried out. It is hoped the hotel will soon be leased.

## **Former Killearn Hospital Site**

Following the drop-in event on 16 May in the Village Hall, Margaret outlined information and comments expressed by members of the public. These included:

- Several phases of development over perhaps a 10 year period.
- 58 house plots no longer self-build but a properly planned development.
- 38 affordable houses in the form of 2-bed cottage flats. If for sale these would fill a need in Killearn.
- 7 live/work units for those working from home.
- Important to encourage commercial development on site.
- Number of houses should be appropriate to cost of site clean up with remaining space returning to green land. Ensure site survey was totally independent.
- Concern expressed re impact on health services and schools of so many additional people moving to the area.
- Encourage site owner in his plans.

It was agreed Margaret update the comments and send to site owner, elected councillors and SC planners. (*Action MH*)

## **CC357 – BLAIRESSAN DEVELOPMENT**

The latest version of comments have been sent to Mactaggart and Mickel, SC planners, elected Councillors and Rural Stirling Housing Association. A response from Mactaggart and Mickel is awaited. They will prepare a revised site plan and access arrangements for discussion with SC planners and Roads Dept. Further public consultation will follow.

Following the meeting of the Community Panel (CP) on 18 May, Jim P outlined the following priorities for discussion with Mactaggart and Mickel:

- Meet with Roads Dept on site to discuss site access and safety issues.
- Style of houses.
- Smaller units required.
- Insist on only 30 houses – not 33.
- Ensure drainage meets SC standard and has no affect on surrounding properties.
- Affect on existing houses with respect to sloping site.
- On site parking.
- Parking on Station Road.
- Future site extension.

The CP will provide feedback at the next KCC meeting in June.

It was suggested that a future planning application for the development should be considered by SC Planning Committee and not delegated to officers for decision.

## **CC358 – ROAD REPORT**

There were no significant issues to report this month.

### **CC359 – COUNCILLOR’S REPORT**

Cllr Alistair Berrill spoke to the meeting regarding the following:

- Application to build 600 houses at Airthrey Kerse between Stirling and Bridge of Allan rejected but gone to appeal.
- Balforn High School closed for safety reasons investigating missing wall ties. Work due to be completed before the start of the new term. External exams are going ahead but pupils in S1 – S3 are currently bussed to schools in Stirling, due to return to Balforn High on 6 June where they will be accommodated in portacabins in the school car park.
- SC meeting on 19 May will discuss the future of Strathendrick Care Home as well as the restructure of senior posts at SC.

### **CC360 – TREASURER’S REPORT**

Income and expenditure account for 2015/2016 has been signed by Iain Sommerville and was approved by KCC. It will be brought to the AGM in June for adoption.

Current bank balance as at 30 April                      £1146.25

### **CC361 – QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions from members of the public.

### **CC362 – YOUTH MATTERS**

Community partnership event at Balforn High School on Tuesday 20 September from 9.00 – 11.00 am to publicise work experience and volunteering opportunities.

### **CC363 – REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED**

Margaret reported on the SW Area Forum:

- New waste arrangements using new, safer, rear-loading leased vehicles will result in saving £500k per annum. Staff conditions are under discussion with unions. Local road shows will be held to inform public of new arrangements.
- Standing items for future agenda will include broadband, Strathendrick Care Home and engaging with young people.
- Database of vulnerable people held by Fire Service who are happy to advise on home safety.
- As this was Pam Campbell’s last meeting before moving to her new job, KCC wish to record appreciation for all her help and support over the years. Her replacement is Ian Denvir.

### **CC364 – CORRESPONDENCE**

Margery spoke to the following correspondence:

- New section on SC website giving information on road works and roads budget.
- New round of Connect Fund (£473 allocated to Killearn) now available to Community Councils. Suggestions for possible uses would be welcomed.
- CI Lynn Ratcliff new area commander for Police Scotland in Stirling.

- New SC site link to broadband information.
- Community Empowerment awareness session on 23 May at Balfron High School.
- Community Energy Forum on 20 June in Stirling.
- KCC thanks to Helen Geddes for all she has done and good wishes for the future.

#### **CC365 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

It was agreed Margaret write to the owner of Spar and to the Bank of Scotland to enquire about their plans for the empty sites. (*Action MH*)

#### **CC366 – DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next KCC meeting will be held on 15 June 2016 at 8.00 pm in Killearn Primary School with the AGM being held beforehand at 7.45 pm.

The meeting ended at 9.45 pm.