KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19 DECEMBER 2018

Members present Andrew Donaldson, Susie Henderson, Elizabeth Jones,

Jim Ptolomey (Chair), Fiona Rennie

Apologies Janet Duncan, Hilary McGregor

In attendance Doug Ashworth, Cllr Graham Lambie,

PC Gary Martin (Police Scotland), Euan Shaw,

Christine Bauwens (Minutes Secretary)

20 members of the public

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CC732 - MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21 NOVEMBER 2018

The minutes of both the Inaugural Meeting chaired by SC and the subsequent KCC meeting were accepted as a true record of the meetings.

CC733 - POLICE MATTERS

PC Gary Martin presented the police report, outlining the following:

- Enquiries ongoing and liaison with Dog Warden re leg bitten by dog.
- Cat struck by air pellet but no injury sustained.
- Noise disturbance and broken bottles reported at Killearn Primary School.
- Road traffic collision on A81 near Glengoyne Distillery.
- Use of Speed Radar Gun in relation to speeding issues in the area.
- Road traffic collisions in Main Street, Killearn.
- Report of cows and sheep straying on various roadways.
- High visibility patrols and unmarked patrols carried out in the area.
- Report of bogus workmen attempting to sell tar.
- Power saw and generator stolen from locked farm outbuilding.
- Residents encouraged to be vigilant following four recent domestic housebreakings in Strathblane, Croftamie and Killearn.

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

CC734 - MATTERS ARISING

CC723 – Planning – Blairessan Development

A letter has been received from Mactaggart & Mickel apologising for the breach of working times at the Blairessan Development. This was due to a subcontractor arriving unexpectedly.

CC735 - REPORT FROM KILLEARN BROADBAND GROUP

Doug reported that there have been no changes to the connectivity of premises in Killearn. The main progress has been work carried out in Fintry and Drymen. The full NBG Report is available on KCC website www.killearncc.org.uk

CC736 - PLANNING

Valid Planning Applications Received

18/00807/FUL Extension to rear of dwelling at Jana Cottage, Boquhan, Balfron G63 0RW No comment.

Decisions of Appointed Officers

18/00644/FUL Two storey rear extension to Camelot, Main Street, Killearn G63 9RH Approve.

18/00665/MSC Erection of dwelling house at garden ground to rear of 11 Gartness Road, Killearn Approve with conditions.

18/00774/FUL Formation of dormer window at lower wing at The Moss, Drumbeg Loan, Killearn G63 9LJ Approve.

18/00487/FUL Conversion of 3 silage clamps into industrial units, erection of 1 potale storage unit, erection of enclosure for water source heat pumps and associated pipework at land 150 Metres north east of Claylands Farm, Fintry Approve with conditions.

Planning Enforcement

EN/18/144/NONCOM Station Road, Killearn. No further breaches reported.

EN/18/151/UNAUTH Internal alterations, Drumtian Road, Killearn G63 9QB

Jim informed the meeting that the Killearn Hotel is for sale by G&S Properties with planning permission to convert to 14 flats.

CC737 - ROADS AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPORT

Work continues in Lampson Road to replace street lights.

The traffic island at the top of Station Road, which is part of the 2018 roads programme, has been erected with yellow lines still to be completed. Traffic cones are to remain in place until yellow lines can be painted in January, once affected areas are cleaned. Following discussion, it was agreed KCC convey the following points expressed by the public:

(Action JP)

- Anger felt by affected local businesses who feel they should have been consulted about traffic cones and proposed yellow lines outside their businesses.
- Economic impact on these businesses particularly at this time of year.
- Request removal of traffic cones until issue resolved.
- Yellow lines severely impact local parking.
- Query authority of SC decision not to consult about yellow lines and if this is in line with their constitution.
- Position of traffic island felt to be too close to junction.

- Clarification required from SC re temporary basis of No Waiting/No Loading restriction to allow the new layout to be monitored. Who will carry this out and under what section of the Traffic Act is this authorised?
- It was noted that in terms of rule 243 of the Highway Code that parking is not permitted within 10m of a junction. This has to be taken into account by Roads and Police.
- Favour was also expressed for the traffic island to assist crossing and prevent vehicles cutting the corner.

Following removal of the chicane on Station Road at the Blairessan development, it was agreed KCC request SC take away the warning road sign. (Action JP)

It was also noted that the new street lights at Blairessan have been positioned in the centre of the pavement and that this could cause difficulties for pedestrians. KCC to investigate further. (Action JP)

CC738 - COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Graham Lambie highlighted the following points in his report:

- Endorsement of police advice on safety and security of homes.
- Possible 20 mph speed limits in local villages. A local resident urged caution in adopting a 20 mph blanket ruling without due consideration to unintended consequences to the economy. Residents encouraged to complete online survey re consultation on 20 mph bill from Mark Russell MSP http://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/CurrentCommittees/109932.aspx
- Roads Programme 2018.
- Outstanding bridge repairs to Blane Bridge, Killearn and Cattermill, Croftamie.
- Road safety issues at Finnich Glen, Balmaha and Gargunnock.
- SC winter service policy changes.
- Community resilience/emergency plans to include request for additional grit bins.
- Ongoing request for A811 trunk road upgrade. Local residents emphasised the need for cats eyes on A811 to assist night driving. It was also requested that Cllr Lambie investigate the statutory duty of SC under the Traffic Act to provide white lines on roads.
- Discussion on Sunday service for C11/C12 bus service.
- Participatory budgeting.
- Local Killearn issues Station Road traffic island, locking of Killearn public toilets and Blairessan development.
- Planning panel procedure.
- Mugdock Country Park and National Park updates.
- Road Maintenance Programme 2018-2019

Cllr Lambie requested a list of roads and pavements in Killearn which require attention. KCC to address this in the new year.

C739 - TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash in bank £776.83

Despite assurances from SC at the Inaugural Meeting on 21 November, KCC is still awaiting its grant from SC.

CC740 - QUESTION TIME

The very poor condition of Branziert Road and North Branziert Road, aggravated by heavy vehicular traffic, was brought to attention of KCC. It was agreed this would be added to the list of prioritised work to be submitted to SC.

A local resident requested clarification re the Community Resilience Plan. It was confirmed that KCC has submitted a draft plan to SC for review. It was agreed that a request for a grit bin at The Oaks/Chestnut Avenue be added to the plan. (Action FR)

CC741 – YOUTH MATTERS

There was no youth report.

CC742 - REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

There were no reports of meetings attended.

CC743 - CORRESPONDENCE

Fiona reported on correspondence received on the following subjects:

- Meeting re items for playpark arranged for 25 January 2019.
- Two co-optees can join KCC in future. Pam Campbell of SC has shared details of the process to be followed for co-option.
- Consultation on polling districts and polling places.
- Confirmation of work to construct traffic island on Station Road.
- Waste and recycling collections over the Christmas period. No blue bin collection in week commencing 24 December.
- Generic email address for community council.

CC744 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Following a discussion about the Killearn Fireworks Display, the meeting was informed that details need to be clarified before a decision can be made regarding the future of the display. It was agreed this matter be re-visited at a future meeting.

CC745 - DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next KCC meeting will take place on 16 January 2019 at 8.00 pm in Killearn Primary School.

The meeting ended at 9.35 pm.