

KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 JUNE 2018

Members present	Heidi Bryce, Andrew Donaldson, Janet Duncan, Robert Dunn, Margaret Harrison (Chair), Elizabeth Jones, Hilary McGregor, Jim Ptolomey, Fiona Rennie, Heather Wright
Apologies	Doug Ashworth, Eva Mailer, David Scott, Police Scotland
In attendance	Ian Denvir (SC), Cllr Graham Lambie, Euan Shaw, Sgt David McNally (from 9pm) 17 members of the public, Christine Bauwens (Minute Secretary)
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CC676 – MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 16 MAY 2018

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

CC677 – MATTERS ARISING

- **CC663 – Matters Arising, Community Benefit Fund**
Following a meeting with SC on 15 June, options for play equipment in the Play Park will be circulated for local consultation. The Burma bridge and wooden climbing frame/ladder structures require to be replaced and equipment for older children was also requested.
- **CC665 – Planning, Other Planning Matters**
SC Tree Officer has confirmed that the owners of Kirkhouse woods have the necessary permission for tree thinning.
- **CC670 – Question Time, Lighting at The Kingdom**
Margaret informed the meeting that lighting on the footpath through The Kingdom will be provided when lighting on Lampson Road is upgraded later this year.
- **CC672 – Reports of Meeting Attended, Emergency Resilience Plan**
A draft resilience plan has been prepared for consideration by SC. A lease of the wooden hut, next to the public toilets at the top of Station Road, will be taken out to store resilience equipment.

CC678 – POLICE MATTERS

In the absence of a Police Scotland representative, Fiona presented the Police Report.

- Window broken in house at Crosshead Road.
- Complaints about new fish sellers in the village have been investigated and have been found to be doing nothing illegal. Please note these sellers are not the regular fishmongers who visit Killearn.
- House break-in on 16 May with jewellery and cash stolen from unlocked house on Station Road.

- Internet scam messages re demand for money and threat to share compromising images with recipients' contacts. This is a nationwide scam and anyone receiving such emails should delete same.
- On 27 May two drivers were charged with dangerous driving between Finnich Glen and Queen's View.

Later in the evening, Sgt David McNally attended the meeting. Following a question from a local resident regarding the Fireworks Display, Sgt McNally agreed to request that local police who have local knowledge attend this event in the future.

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

CC679 – REPORT FROM KILLEARN BROADBAND GROUP

Andrew informed the meeting that the new Crosshead Road cabinet (P2) is now live and accepting orders. Residents at postcodes G63 9NE, G63 9PX, G63 9PY and G63 9RL should check their individual situation. A further cabinet (P3) is proposed to be live by March 2019. The location of same is unknown as yet.

With regard to the Forestry Commission planting scheme on Stockiemuir Road, it was announced that consultation is taking place and it is hoped a firebreak in the woods can be made so that internet signal can be received in this area.

CC680 – PLANNING

- **Valid Planning Applications Received**

18/00343/FUL Erection of 3 Car Detached Garage and Gymnasium at Stilwater, Killearn G63 9QN
No comment.

18/00370/FUL Extension to Rear of Dwelling House at 8 Harpers Road, Killearn G63 9TA
No comment.

18/00387/FUL New build farmhouse and support accommodation for Little Moss Farm at Land 470 Metres South West of Little Moss, Drumbeg Road, Killearn. KCC to object on grounds that it is out of character with surroundings; it is not a traditional farm steading but a new build; it is not a brown field site and it does not meet the criteria on housing in the countryside.

- **Decisions of Appointed Officers**

18/00186/FUL Extension to Side of House at 16 Rowan Crescent, Killearn G63 9RZ
Approve with Conditions.

18/00259/FUL Extension at First Floor above Garage Conversion at 8 Branziert Road North, Killearn G63 9RF
Approve.

18/00139/FUL Erection of 2 Residential Dwellings at Land Between Gartness Road and Blairessan House, Killearn.
Approve with Conditions.

18/00231/FUL Conversion of Outbuildings to form 2 Domestic Dwellings at Land North of Ballochruin Farmhouse, Killearn
Approve with Conditions.

18/00269/FUL Alteration to Roof Profile to allow Extension of Accommodation at Camallt, Killearn G63 9LA
Approve.

16/00170/FUL Single Storey Oak Framed Orangery Extension at 26 Balfroon Road, Killearn G63 9NJ
Approve.

- **Planning Applications Withdrawn**

18/00291/FUL Erection of 3 Car Detached Garage and Gymnasium at Stilwater, Killearn G63 9QW

- **Planning Enforcement**

EN/18/038 NONCOM Alleged Non Compliance with Planning Condition Killearn
Case Closed No Further Breaches.

EN/17/070/UNAUTH Parking of Coaches and Erection of Timber Building at Billyn House, Blanefield.
Enforcement Notice Served. Retrospective Parking Application Refused as Contrary to Placemaking Policy, Employment Development and Economic Development in the Countryside.

EN/053/UNAUTH Alleged Formation of Access Track Without Permission
Gartness Road, Killearn.

EN/18/059/UNADV Unauthorised placard in Killearn.

Other Planning Issues

New Procedures will be in Operation from 11 June with the first Panel affected on 31 July.

1. Some applications will go straight to the Planning Panel (much as before) but also where there are 5 or more objectors to a non-household application.
2. The weekly schedule will no longer be used to determine whether a proposal is delegated.
3. Elected Members only have 25 days to remit an application to the Panel.
4. Where a Hearing is requested a Decision will be made immediately thereafter. There will only be 14 days in which to request a Hearing.
5. Site visits will no longer be required by the Panel.
6. There will be no more Requests to Comment from Planning and it will be entirely up to the Community Council to decide on which applications they will comment. (Previously it was a good indicator of where planners might have seen a difficulty but now it will be entirely up to us viewing all applications.)

7. Comments will not be considered after the Report on Handling has been signed by the Planning Officer.

CC681 – ROADS AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPORT

Robert reported on the following:

- Update on repair to Blane Water Bridge and request for war time tank trap to be preserved.
- Situation re footpath at Play Park.
- Traffic island at top of Station Road to be discussed further when SC provide drawings etc.
- Work on pavements at Cedar/Elm/Elder Roads due to be completed early July. Road repairs scheduled for October.
- A875 Main Street road surface dressing between former Spar and Beech Drive to be carried out March 2019.
- A81 re-opened at Ballat on 1 June on completion of bridge repair.
- Details of closure of A81 up to Campsie Road, Strathblane on Wednesday 8 August for Glasgow 2018 cycling event to be posted on KCC Facebook page.
- Robert to send priority road repair notification to SC over the summer.
- Following a meeting to discuss improved sight lines for Gartness Road onto Station Road, Robert brought SC suggestions to the meeting. After discussion, it was agreed these were not adequate and that Robert convey comments and objections back to SC. It was felt a holistic approach to the situation was required with a proper traffic management proposal sought from the Council.

Residents informed that A809 to be closed at Dalnair House from 9 – 20 July for utility connection and that Gartness Road to be closed from 16 July to 3 September for repair to burst pipe. It should be noted that emergency services access will be maintained.

A member of the public brought a complaint to the meeting regarding lighting changes in Cedar/Elm/Elder Road area. When pavements are upgraded SC usually replace old street lighting with LED lights, which are more economical to run. Residents had received neither communication nor consultation from SC regarding same and it was agreed Cllr Lambie take this up with SC.

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

CC682 – COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

In his full and comprehensive report, Cllr Lambie informed the meeting about road and pavement repairs, roads capital budget for 2018, bridge repairs, road safety at Finnich Glen, A811 trunk road upgrade request, planning situation regarding Lampson Loan and Killlearn Hospital and details of road maintenance programme for 2018/2019. While it was noted that a £90m City Region Deal had been agreed for Stirling city projects, KCC emphasised the need for rural investment in projects such as rural broadband, tourism infrastructure, roads and cycle paths and the Killlearn Hospital site. Cllr Lambie's full report is available on KCC website.

CC683 – TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no Treasurer's report.

CC684 – QUESTION TIME

The problem of large, fast, noisy agricultural vehicles driving on Station Road during the day and late at night was raised. It was assumed that such vehicles are taking slurry to the biodigester plant near Fintry. Whilst appreciating the need for farmers to work while the weather is favourable, it was also felt residents have the right to undisturbed sleep at night. It was agreed Jim contact SC regarding any restrictions on such vehicles.

CC685 – YOUTH MATTERS

There was no youth report.

CC686 – REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

- At the KCFC meeting held on 17 May, it was suggested an information pack on Killearn be provided to welcome new residents.
- Rural South West Area Forum held on 21 May. S5 and S6 students to continue involvement with community groups. Waste Services to look at re-routing uplift in some busy tourist areas. Grey and brown bins may be replaced and new recycling service to be introduced for schools and businesses.
- Participation requests meeting. Stirling Council is keen to encourage CCs to become involved in SC decision making.

CC687 – CORRESPONDENCE

Fiona spoke to the correspondence received on the following subjects:

- Tree planting proposal, forestry case ref 18FGS27218
- KCC to support in principle Stirling's bid to be the 2020 European Volunteering Capital
- Information re Food Train Stirling

CC688 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

CC689 – DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next KCC meeting will take place on 19 September 2018 at 8.00 pm in Killearn Primary School.

The meeting ended at 10.10 pm.