



Welcome to Update 115 04/07/2022

Next meeting : Wednesday 21 Sept. @ 8 pm – details tbc. pls. email contactus@Killlearncc.org.uk for details and / or to join the meeting.

pls. see update below, based on discussions from the KCC meeting held on Wednesday 15 Jun. '22 and subsequent happenings.

KCC AGM was held on Wed. 15th June

- Jim Ptolomey was re-elected as Chair of the Council,
- Fiona Rennie was re-elected as Vice Chair and Secretary of the Council
- Elizabeth Jones was re-elected as Treasurer
- On behalf of KCC, special thanks were expressed to Jim Ptolomey for his work as Chairman throughout the year and the commitment of all of the other councillors Heidi Bryce, Caroline Carrick, Andrew Donaldson, Susie Henderson, Elizabeth Jones, Hilary McGregor and Fiona Rennie, in supporting the community was acknowledged.

Community Council elections are held on a four-yearly cycle and the next elections will take place in 2023. There are currently 8 councillors in Killlearn but there can be up to 11. If you or a friend would be interested in joining the council - please contact us for further information c/o contactus@killlearncc.org.uk

Police:

As PC Steven Graham was on holiday, there was no police report for the month. Residents are asked to email any queries to contactus@killlearncc.org.uk for passing on to the police.

Planning:

- Development of Former Killlearn Hotel - the project is on schedule with the first six flats becoming available on 14 August and the remaining ten flats on 17 October
- RSHA Development at Lampson Road - a contractor has now been selected and when the design and final pricing are complete, a tender application will be submitted to the Scottish Government for finance. It is hoped to begin work on site in the autumn
- Former Killlearn Hospital Site - due to a slight delay in purchasing the site, it is now anticipated works will start in October.

Roads:

- Following extreme frustration expressed at the lack of progress regarding the zebra crossings on Main Street and at Branziert Road, KCC wrote to SC asking for an explanation. A reply was received apologising for the delays but stating that there have been very unusual circumstances in this case. It is planned to

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relocate the zebra crossing poles to the front of the footway on Main Street and cut back the adjacent householder's hedge by Well Green. Details tbc.

- Contractors are hoping to begin work on 27 June to repaint the lines in the road around the corner of Balfron Rd. and Main St. but this has not been confirmed.
- It is anticipated that work on Branshogle Bridge will be complete by the end of September, assuming good weather and no supply issues – an extension of the closure of the road to continue works at Branshogle bridge from 1-7-22 until 21-8-22 has been issued meantime
- Six tenders for work on Catter Burn Bridge have been received and although the costs are much higher than anticipated, SC have given assurance that finance will be made available to carry out the work. No start date has been given. The road closure at Catterburn Bridge has been extended from 1.7.22 to 30.09.22
- SC have given notice that the A81 to Milngavie after the Kirkhouse roundabout will be closed for 2 weeks from 18 July – 1 Aug. – during the day from 8 am – 6 pm
- It was noted that resurfacing work is to be carried out on Balfron Road near Greenend Road, on Main Street between Kirkhouse Road and Drumbeg Loan, and at Killearn Business Park.
- Members of the public raised the issue of the number of bus journeys cancelled recently by First Bus. Killearn already has a limited bus service and complaints were made about the unreliability of the service and impact on those affected by cancellations including school pupils, young people and older commuters. It was agreed to link in with residents in Balfron to petition to First Bus and Stirling Council.

Any other business:

- A vote of appreciation and thanks was given to Frank Deas and his team for all their work in making the Queen's Platinum Jubilee such a memorable occasion for residents of Killearn.
- Although KCC has previously been informed that the BT phonebox is not available for adoption, it was agreed to ask BT re. future plans
- A licence has been agreed with SC for the Killearn fireworks event on Friday 4th Nov.
- Stirling Council will embark on a review of its waste services with a public consultation. Information on the review, its scope and the public consultation will be confirmed in due course
- Any organisation wishing to hold an event in the Park should note that they now need to apply to SC at bookings@stirling.gov.uk
- Reports of giant hogweed in the local area have been raised with SC. It was also agreed Cllr Fraser take this issue forward. Local residents were encouraged to report further hogweed outbreaks in public and private land.

After a break for the summer months, the next KCC meeting will take place on 21 September 2022 at 8.00 pm. It is hoped this will be a face to face meeting in Killearn Primary School and further details will be made available nearer the time.