

KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

WELCOME TO UPDATE 151 – Nov. 2025



Please find below – an update on news from KCC. Pls. see link for minutes of meetings <https://killearncc.org.uk/meetings.html> Pls. note that the next KCC meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th Dec. at 8pm - pls. email contactus@killearncc.org.uk for details.

Community Council Membership - KCC has vacancies for two new co-opted members and residents are invited to join the council as a co-opted member. To find out more and to request a nomination form please email contactus@killearncc.org.uk. The form must be completed and returned by 30th November. <https://www.stirling.gov.uk/community-life-and-leisure/your-community/about-community-councils/>)

POLICE MATTERS - the full police report from Oct. '25 is available on the KCC website www.killearncc.org.uk – please note highlights from Killearn below ..

- A vehicle, which had been parked close to Finnich Glen, was stolen and taken to another location before machinery, including a generator, was taken and the vehicle left at the site. This crime is still under investigation.

PLANNING AND LOCAL PLACE PLAN

Please see the Stirling Council [website](http://www.stirling.gov.uk) for the latest planning report. Extracts of applications and activities within Killearn are noted below:

Our Killearn Community Local Place Plan - The plan has been submitted to Stirling Council and once reviewed and validated will be posted on the Council's Local Place Plan webpages. <https://www.stirling.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning/development-planning/local-place-plans/local-place-plan-register/#register-2>

Planning applications submitted / processed

There are currently 9 applications live in the Killearn area and 4 recent applications:

- 25/00539/FUL - Land Some 85 Metres To East Of Mullanhead Cottage Balfron: Erection of dwellinghouse and upgrade of existing access to public road
- TREENQ-2025-108 - Spittal Farm, Drumore Road Killearn G63 9NX: Fell one fir tree in garden
- 25/00598/FUL - Archfield 6 Castle Gardens Ballikinrain Balfron G63 0LT: Extension to dwellinghouse
- 25/00597/FUL - Carbeth Lodge Drumtitan Road: Three storey side extension with raised patio, dormer extension, erection of canopy and alterations and extension to garage

2x applications approved:

- 25/00459/FUL - Blane River Cottage Killearn G63 9QH: Redevelopment of dwelling house involving the raising of the roof and erecting two storey pitched roof extensions
- 25/00270/FUL - 7 Alder Crescent Killearn G63 9SH: Change of use from public open space to garden ground

Blackwood's Beech House - Stirling Council have advised there have been some very helpful communications initiated by Councillor McGarvey and that the situation is being investigated and addressed by Council Officers, the HSCP and local regulators.

ROADS AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE

- **Napier road** – from B8334 Station Road to Allan Road, closed 26/11/25
- **Blane Water Bridge** – there are still temporary traffic lights in place after a recent collision – KCC engaging with the council to ascertain next steps
- **No Waiting At Any Time** restrictions to be put in place at the corner of Main Street in Drymen, to prevent parking over and blocking dropped kerbs.

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- **No Waiting At Any Time** restrictions to be put in place on A81 Blanefield (opposite Station Road) to improve visibility for vehicles joining from adjacent properties.
- Suggestion of 40mph limit from Killearn to Distillery were passed to Stirling Council and based on initial findings, the council is satisfied that the criteria for consideration of a 40-mph speed limit have not been met.

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- **The Annual Killearn Fireworks Display** was an excellent family night out on Sun. 2nd November – thanks to all who helped to make it happen. Following the review of this year's event – there is notice of the need for more volunteers to help with the Bonfire build and clear up and more donations on the night to help fund future activities
- **New glass recycling bins** – the new glass bins have arrived. Collection frequencies for glass recycling will remain unchanged until 5 January 2026. After this date, the collection frequency will move to every eight weeks.
- **CALA Street Naming** - Signage has been erected at Ballagan Woods for the first 4x streets; Grant Road, Bruce Court, Teasdale Street and Templeton Avenue. A reception was held on 13th November at the Showhome / Sales Office to celebrate the street naming and CALA invited those who had nominated families and friends. How wonderful it was to see how proud the families / friends were – a lovely idea.
- **Balfron Household Waste Recycling Centre** - Thanks noted to David Rae and others who led an engagement meeting at the John McLintock Hall on Thursday 13th November to discuss Stirling Council's plans for the redesign and rebuild of the Balfron Household Waste Recycling Centre. The new centre will be built on the same footprint as the current one, and a contractor, Kier, has been appointed. The team is very keen to have input / consultation and there will be further in person / online sessions to help with questions. The main hurdle for local communities will be the closure of the site during the works – this could be as early as next summer and might be 6-7 months.
- **Stirling Council has agreed a new Administration and Council Leader** – following a recent local election, Stirling Council has agreed a new Administration with Councillor Susan McGill (SNP), appointed as new Council Leader. Cllr Jim Thomson (SNP), will take up the role of Deputy Leader, while Cllr Rosemary Fraser (SNP), becomes Stirling's new Lord Provost.
- **Christmas Lights** - Thank you to the Killearn Beer Festival, Cala Homes, KCFC and Killearn Trust for supporting KCC through their generous donations towards the lights.
- **Flu Vaccinations** - A gentle reminder from Forth Valley Health Board to schedule your flu jab. If the GP surgery is fully booked, the Killearn chemist is also offering appointments.

Dates for diaries

- **1st Dec.** - Advent Windows - there are now 41 advent windows taking part this year. The adventure starts on 1st Dec. at the Co-Op with carols being sung by the Guides
- **3rd Dec.** - Killearn Christmas lights - these will be going up on Wed. 3rd Dec.
- **4th Dec.** - the window at the Village Hall is once again being designed and created by Killearn Primary School and will be 'opened' on Thursday 4th Dec. and there will be a Primary School Fundraising Group Fair in the hall to help add to the celebrations
- **6th Dec.** - Christmas Market - 11am until 4pm at the Village Hall.
- **6th Dec.** - Killearn Christmas Tree - The Christmas Tree will be put up outside the Church, on the first weekend of December – Sat 6th Dec. Huge thanks noted to Edenmill who are very generous in donating the tree.

Please note that Local Councillors will attend KCC meetings as below
Wed 17 Dec - Councillor McGarvey

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