

KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 JUNE 2017

Members present	Heidi Bryce, Margery Burdon, Andrew Donaldson, Robert Dunn, Margaret Harrison (Chair), Elizabeth Jones, David Scott, Heather Wright
Apologies	Janet Duncan, Tom Morley, Hilary McGregor, Police Scotland, Jim Ptolomey
In attendance	Doug Ashworth, Cllr Robert Davies, Ian Denvir SC, Cllr Graham Lambie, Christopher McKenna SC, Euan Shaw, 18 members of the public, Christine Bauwens (Minute Secretary)
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Margaret welcomed Cllr Robert Davies and Christopher McKenna to the meeting.

It was announced that this would be Margery Burdon's last meeting with KCC as Secretary. KCC wish to express sincere appreciation and grateful thanks to Margery for her much-valued contribution over the last seven years.

CC523 – MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 17 MAY 2017

A member of the public commented that further clarification had been requested regarding the minute of planning applications 17/00088-89/PPP in February 2017 minutes. These applications had been withdrawn in May 2017 and the revised applications 17/00354 and 356/PPP would be considered later in the agenda. The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

CC524 – PRESENTATION BY CHRISTOPHER MCKENNA

Christopher McKenna spoke to the meeting regarding the setting up of two Community Sports Hubs at Bannockburn and at Balfron High School as a legacy of the 2014 Commonwealth Games. In his role as SC Community Hub Engagement Officer, he will be working in partnership with Sports Scotland in a one year pilot project bringing together clubs, communities and schools. Any sports clubs or groups wishing further information should email him at mckennac@stirling.gov.uk

CC525 – POLICE MATTERS

As the police were unable to attend the meeting, Margery presented their report:

- It was noted that the problems re youths drinking alcohol in the school grounds at weekends appear to have subsided.
- The situation at Finnich Glen continues to raise issues, with Community Councils in Strathblane, Drymen and Croftamie, as well as Killlearn, voicing their concerns. Members of the public are requested to continue making SC aware of problems.
- Regular police patrols around the Primary School continue in response to complaints about inconsiderate and illegal parking.
- Theft of expensive plant and pot from local garden.
- Advice on bogus callers which will be posted on KCC website.

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

CC526 – MATTERS ARISING

- **CC509 – Police Matters, Devil’s Pulpit, Finnich Glen**
Having heard the grave concerns about the situation from the owner of Finnich Glen, it was agreed Heidi, Margaret and Robert form a small group to meet with him and try to assist matters. Police and Mountain Rescue services would be asked for their views. Croftamie CC to be kept informed.
- **CC510 – Matters Arising, Flying Fox**
The Flying Fox has now been repaired.
- **CC510 – Matters Arising, Waste Collection**
A change was announced regarding waste which will now be uplifted on one day, Sunday, for the whole of Killearn.
- **CC520 – Correspondence, Cars on football field**
No further information available but situation continues to be monitored.
- **CC521 – Any Other Business, Telephone Kiosk**
The poor condition of the telephone kiosk has been reported again.

CC527 – REPORT FROM KILLEARN BROADBAND GROUP

Doug reported that there have been no significant changes in the last month. The full report can be seen on KCC website www.killearncc.org.uk KCC wish to record their grateful thanks to Andrew, Doug and Euan for their continued work in this area.

CC528 – PLANNING

- **Valid Planning Applications Received**

17/00354/PPP Erection of new Dwellinghouse Plot 2 Wishingwell Camp Site, Drymen G63 0NJ

KCC to comment - Green belt should be maintained between Plot 1 and old cottages at Gartness. Plots 1 and 2 form a cluster with 5 existing buildings at this site. SC should restrict the boundary of the cluster to prevent any further spread in the direction of the old cottages. The applicant should be asked to confirm whether any part of the land is zoned for agricultural use, which may require further consent. The proposals provide for one shared access to the two plots located as far as possible from the bridge. Should this be problematic, access to plots 1 and 2 could be gained from the existing Wishing Well site instead of from a new, separate access. In any event, access would require to meet standards prescribed by Roads Department.

17/00355/PPP Erection of new Dwellinghouse at Wishingwell Coffee Shop, Drymen G63 0NJ

KCC to support application to prevent building from becoming derelict and enquire if change of use is included in the application.

17/00356/PPP Erection of new Dwellinghouse Plot 1 Wishingwell Camp Site, Drymen G63 0NJ

See KCC comment re 17/00354/PPP as above.

17/00365/FUL Side and Single Storey front Extension to house at Meikle Boquhan, Fintry G63 0LQ

No comment.

17/00413/FUL Erection of Dwellinghouse Plot 1 Wishingwell Camp Site,
Drymen G63 0NJ
No comment.

17/00451/FUL Formation of Dormer and Attic Conversion with patio at Flat roof at
24 Branziert Road North, Killearn G63 9RF
No comment.

17/00466/FUL Formation of parking area with 8 parking spaces, new access
gate to parking area formed in existing 1.8m high timber boundary fence at
Old Meal Mill, Fintry G63 0LQ
No comment.

- **Decisions of Appointed Officers**

17/00242/FUL Erection of 2 Single Storey Extensions at Shepherds Lodge,
Ibert Road, Killearn G63 9PY
Approve.

17/00302/FUL Erection of Car Port and Canopy at White Lodge, Main Street,
Killearn G63 9LF
Approve.

17/00095/FUL 2 proposed dwellings -1 replacement house (Plot 1) and
1 house in adjacent site (Plot 2) at Red Cottage, Blane Smithy Road,
Killearn G63 9QQ
Approve with conditions.

- **Planning Applications Withdrawn**

17/00122/FUL Proposed change of use from Class 7 to Class 9, alterations and
extensions to existing building to form 17 apartments with associated amenity
space and private parking at The Killearn Hotel, 2 The Square, Killearn G63 9NG
Application to be re-submitted for 14 apartments. It was noted that the Punch-
Heineken merger will go ahead.

- **Planning Enforcement**

EN/17/031/UNAUTH. Tree Felling and Demolition of Building.
No breach of Planning Control.

EN/16/118/UNAUTH. Erection of Shed and Summerhouse.
Permission Approved.

EN/17/004/UNAUTH. Deviation from application.
Permission Approved

Blairessan

Following David's private meeting with SC Planning and Roads Depts, he reported that SC have agreed to reconsider access, sightlines, stopping distances, pedestrian routes, safe routes to and from school and road safety audit concerns regarding the Blairessan site. A response is awaited from SC. A member of the public wished to raise objections on behalf of the new owner of Spittal Cottage. However, the Chair ruled that the development had been discussed for the past five years, the site was zoned for housing in the Local Development Plan, and a decision was awaited from SC Planning Panel.

CC529 – ROADS AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPORT

Robert reported on the following points:

- Following a meeting with SC regarding outstanding issues, it is hoped 20 mph painted signs on Graham Road, yellow lines at top of Station Road and access protection marker at the Mulberry Bush will be carried out in the current financial year.
- Pavement on Station Road to be upgraded between Drumore Rd and Napier Rd.
- SC to move 40 mph speed limit sign farther down Station Road.

A local resident recommended using www.fixmystreet.com to report local problems with roads and pavements. Ian agreed to report this to SC.

CC530 – COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

The new councillor Robert Davies spoke to the meeting. Following the local council election, SC is now administered by SNP/Labour and will hold its first full meeting on Thursday 22 June. Cllr Davies pledged to support rural businesses and better broadband connectivity.

In the light of data protection changes, KCC requested that SC analyse these changes on behalf of all 42 community councils in its area. Ian Denvir agreed to put forward this request.

Ian also informed the meeting that the issue of poor communication with SC was being addressed. It is hoped a new system will be adopted resulting in a much-improved situation.

CC531 – TREASURER'S REPORT

Current bank balance £1048.27

With regard to the matter of personal liability insurance, it would appear that SC has already gone ahead and arranged this. It was requested that Ian investigate whether SC will recompense KCC for this additional cost and also clarify exactly what is covered.

CC532 – QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

CC533 – YOUTH MATTERS

As Tom was unable to attend the meeting, there was no youth report. KCC wish to thank Tom for his contribution as Youth member and wish him well for the future.

CC534 – REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Margaret attended the KCFC Board meeting on 23 May and reported on the following:

- Killearn Enterprise Hub set up in March 2017 in partnership with Stirling Enterprise and Balfron High School to encourage work experience and career opportunities.
- Refurbishment of *Welcome to Killearn* wooden signs completed.
- Funding from Co-op allocated to Colourful Killearn for wild flower planting and to the Paths Group for an update of the map of paths around Killearn.

CC535 – CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence covered elsewhere in the Agenda.

CC536 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS

KCC wish to minute thanks to SC officials and councillors for reinstating B12 bus service, Balfron – Stirling, departing Balfron at 10.10 am and C12A bus service, Stirling – Balfron, departing Stirling at 3.55 pm. These services to be subsidised by SC until 1 August 2020.

Following discussion, it was agreed KCC support Scottish Green MSP Mark Ruskell's Member's Bill for 20 mph speed limits in residential areas throughout Scotland to improve safety for pedestrians, reduce road accidents and reduce air pollution etc. Members of the public can also respond to the consultation at www.greens.scot/saferstreets.

A member of the public raised concerns about dog fouling in Ibert Road. KCC advised reporting the situation to SC and requesting a waste bin be provided in the area.

CC537 – DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next KCC meeting will take place on 20 September 2017 at 8.00 pm in Killearn Primary School.

The meeting ended at 10.10 pm.