

## KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 JANUARY 2020

Members present Caroline Carrick, Andrew Donaldson, Janet Duncan, Susie Henderson, Elizabeth Jones, Jim Ptolomey (Chair), Fiona Rennie,

Apologies Heidi Bryce, Chloe French, Hilary McGregor, Sophie Swift

In attendance Doug Ashworth, Cllr Alistair Berrill, Ciaran Canney, Police Scotland, Euan Shaw, Christine Bauwens (Minutes Secretary)  
16 members of the public

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### CC892 – MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 18 DECEMBER 2019

Subject to the word “top” being replaced by “bottom” in first bullet point of CC882, the minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

### CC893 – POLICE MATTERS

PC Gary Martin presented the following report:

- Reports of youths setting off fireworks within the grounds of the Primary School on Hogmanay.
- Accident near Finnich Toll with driver rolling his car and ending up in a field. Minor injuries suffered.
- Recent high winds and heavy rain have made driving conditions dangerous. An articulated lorry was blown over on A811.
- Report of suspicious activity involving a van on Lampson Road. Police attended quickly but the van had gone when they arrived.

The full police report is available on KCC website [www.killlearncc.org.uk](http://www.killlearncc.org.uk)

### CC894 – MATTERS ARISING

- **CC880 – Matters Arising – Roads and General Maintenance Report**  
Jim Ptolomey, Fiona Rennie and Ann Sommerville are continuing to take details for the updated roads and pavements survey for SC.
- **CC883 – Youth Matters – Bike Racks**  
Further to the suggestion re bike racks at the Co-op, it was agreed Fiona request appropriate advice from SC. (*Action FR*)
- **CC887 – Question Time**  
Jim has contacted SC regarding the missing rowan trees and is awaiting a reply.

## **CC895 - BROADBAND**

Doug spoke to the meeting explaining that there have only been subtle refinements to the status of premises in and around Killearn, rather than any functional changes. The broadband problems experienced by residents from Lampson Road and Ballochruin Road were discussed. It is hoped that the meeting of the Broadband Delivery Forum on 26 February will give a clear understanding from Digital Scotland of the R100 programme and that it will elaborate on the recent statement from Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Energy, Connectivity & the Islands.

The full NBG Report is available on KCC website [www.killearncc.org.uk](http://www.killearncc.org.uk)

## **CC896 – PLANNING**

### **Planning Schedule**

- **Valid Planning Applications Received**

19/00986/FUL Construction of New and Extended Footpaths, Alterations to Walls, Re Alignment of Access and Associated Landscaping Works at Glengoyne Distillery, Strathblane G63 9LB  
No comment.

- **Decisions of Appointed Officers**

19/00900/FUL Extension to Rear, Infill of Side Door, Installation of Conservation Rooflights and Alterations to Existing Chimney at The Tollhouse, 18 Balfron Road, Killearn G63 9NJ  
Approve with conditions

### **Other Planning Issues**

The meeting was informed that it was intended to make a planning application for the hotel conversion in the week commencing 20 January 2020.

Rural Stirling Housing Association (RSHA) plans to meet SC next week for a pre-planning meeting regarding the development at Lampson Road. Following this, they will finalise proposals and submit a planning application.

Two houses on the Blairessan development have been sold in the last month, leaving the final two still to be sold.

## **CC897 – ROADS AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPORT**

The work on pavements at Branziert Road has now been completed. Following a request from a local resident for SC to review the speed limit on the B818 road to Fintry, Jim explained that this is a national speed limit road and meets the national speed limit policy. SC has no current plans to alter the speed limit on this road.

## **CC898 – COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr Berrill presented the following local issues in his report:

- Parking charges will be introduced at the car park in Balmaha from this summer. It is thought a daily charge will apply but the possibility of a lesser charge for a shorter time may be considered.

- At a recent SC meeting, it was decided to close Croftamie Nursery. Cllr Berrill expressed his regret at this decision.

### **CC899 – TREASURER’S REPORT**

Recent expenses:

Tree lights	£150.00
Battery for defibrillator	£198.00

Current bank balance	£1474.57
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### **CC900 – QUESTION TIME**

Three questions were raised from members of the public:

1. *Does SC have a policy for the number of electric car charge points in their car parks?* KCC was unaware of such a policy but other local areas seem to have four points as does Killearn. Concern was expressed about the reduced number of parking spaces available for those attending the Killearn Health Centre and that this might lead to more cars parking on Balfroun and Station Roads.
2. *How do patients attend appointments at the Breast Screening Unit at Oakwood Garden Centre if they do not have a car?* Since the Breast Screening Unit has been moved from outside Killearn Health Centre to Oakwood, some patients have experienced problems in attending. It was agreed KCC investigate this matter further. *(Action JP)*
3. *When will the road at the entrance to the Blaressan development be completed?* It was agreed Jim contact MacTaggart & Mickel regarding this and also when the chicane and temporary patches on Station Road will also be finished. *(Action JP)*

### **CC901 – YOUTH MATTERS**

As Chloe and Sophie were involved in prelim exams, there was no youth report.

### **CC902 – REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED**

There were no reports of meetings attended.

### **CC903 – CORRESPONDENCE**

Fiona reported on the following items of correspondence:

- Request for reviewed speed limit on B818.
- Introduction of experimental Sunday bus service between Balfroun and Stirling via Kippen from Sunday 2 February operating every 2 hours.

### **CC904 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Fiona informed the meeting that the drainage problems in the playpark are being investigated. It is hoped all the new play equipment can be used when this has been solved.

Ciaran Canney of Connected Health Clinic spoke to the meeting of his plans to bring together allied health services to the village. Based at Lumsdaine Hall at the Pharmacy, Ciaran will co-ordinate these private services making them easily accessible to patients.

These will include physiotherapy, podiatry, osteopathy, speech and language therapy, audiology and counselling. Appointments and further information available from [www.connectedhealthclinic.co.uk](http://www.connectedhealthclinic.co.uk)

**CC905 – DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next KCC meeting will take place on 19 February 2020 at 8.00 pm in The Village Hall Garden Room.

The meeting ended at 8.48 pm.