



# Welcome to Update 113 15/05/2022

**Next meeting :** Wednesday 18 May @ 8 pm (on zoom) - pls. email [contactus@Killearncc.org.uk](mailto:contactus@Killearncc.org.uk) for details and / or to join the meeting.

pls. see update below, based on discussions from the KCC meeting held on Wednesday 20 Apr. '22 and subsequent happenings.

## **Police:**

- Following a disturbance outside a licenced premise in Killearn, a male was struck over the head with a bottle. Although no serious injury was sustained, a positive line of enquiry is being followed
- SC Enforcement Officers have attended the Finnich Glen area and issued parking tickets to numerous vehicles. This is an ongoing issue and the police will continue to manage the situation
- The driver of vehicle which drove into a hedge on the A81 near Killearn was charged with a couple of offences
- Report of theft of vehicle from a property in Killearn after perpetrators opened the house door and stole the keys of the vehicle
- Concern was expressed about work vehicles parking on double yellow lines near the former Killearn Hotel building site. The project developer and local police are aware of the situation and are working together to solve the problem.

## **Planning:**

- Development of Former Killearn Hotel: The project is on schedule. The first phase of the development will be completed by August 2022, with the remaining flats ready later in the year
- RSHA Development at Lampson Road: Although there are no further updates available, it is hoped to start work in the early summer
- Former Killearn Hospital Site: Developer, CALA Homes, hopes to commence work in the early summer.

## **Roads:**

- Repair work to the Branshogle Bridge has taken longer than anticipated and is now due to be completed by the end of June
- An extension to the road closure at Catterburn Bridge has been granted for a further three months, until the end of June. A contractor will be on site in May although it is not known when the bridge will re-open
- Work has begun on the two zebra crossings in the village. There are some issues with the placing of the columns at the crossing by the Well Green where the location of a stone culvert has limited the access for foundations. Stirling Council representatives are assessing options and talking to local residents
- KCC has carried out a road and pavement survey in the village to identify issues requiring attention. Many thanks to Teresa Prescott and Gordon Bauwens for their help with this. It was noted that pavements on Station Road, Main Street and Buchanan Road urgently need repairing
- Further to enquiries about the condition of the West Highland Way path between Drumbeg Loan and Station Road, the meeting was informed that this particular area is on third-party land and not in SC

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ownership. However, SC plans to undertake a condition survey this summer and will then be able to identify issues that require attention.

### ***Jubilee celebrations:***

Leaflets outlining plans for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations in Killearn have now been distributed to houses in the village – with thanks to the Killearn Courier volunteers.

Communities across the UK are coming together between Thursday, 2 June and Sunday, 5 June as part of the celebrations for the Platinum Jubilee – in Killearn we have two events for residents to join in

- a Jubilee Beacon Lighting ceremony on the Thursday (2 June) and
- a Big Jubilee Lunch celebration on the Sunday (5 June)

see the link <https://www.kcfc.co.uk/jubilee.html> for the new Jubilee page on the KCFC website for more information and for those who follow social media – there is now also a Killearn Jubilee FB page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/killearnplatinumjubilee22/>

### ***Any other business:***

- We welcome the return of the Killearn – 1 Mile Fun Run and 10k on Saturday 4 June – the 1 mile fun run will start in the Park at 10.00am and the 10k from 11.00am.
- KCC would like to thank Alistair Berrill, Jane Hutchinson and Rob Davies for their time as local Councillors. Following elections held on 5<sup>th</sup> May – KCC would like to welcome the three new councillors:
  - Rosemary Fraser - Scottish National Party (SNP)
  - Paul Henke - Scottish Conservative and Unionist
  - Gerry McGarvey - Scottish Labour Party
- Survey information has been published regarding the cycle path between Killearn and Balfron. It has been explained that this was only an initial survey, not representative and limited in scope, and that a much larger consultation will take place in the future. Further information to be given when available.
- Thanks to over 40 local volunteers who have offered a wide range of skills from tea making, admin and provision of transport, to music, art and language lessons to help support refugees from Ukraine. SC will act as the umbrella volunteer group and will organise and pay for PVG documentation and provide induction training for volunteers. Two hosts in Balfron are collating lists of families coming to the area and local contact Aileen May will liaise with them to find out what support is needed and match up with volunteers. Local schools have also been contacted.