

KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

WELCOME TO UPDATE 138 – Oct. 2024



Please find below – an update on news from KCC and some highlights from the meeting on Wednesday 16th Oct. '24.

Pls. see link for minutes of meetings <https://killlearncc.org.uk/meetings.html>

Pls. note that the next KCC meeting will be held on Wednesday 20th Nov. @ 8 pm - pls. email contactus@Killlearncc.org.uk for information.

POLICE MATTERS (The full police report is available on KCC website www.killlearncc.org.uk)

- A person was issued with a recorded Police warning after they assaulted a colleague by striking them to the head, fortunately no injury was sustained.
- A vandalism has been recorded after lead flashing and roof tiles had been removed. This appears to now be a civil matter with contractors and no further criminal inquiries taking place.
- Unknown persons gained entry to an old stand-alone garage; this has been recorded as a housebreaking with intent to steal. It is believed that children have opened the old garage door and played with the toys inside before leaving them nearby.

PLANNING AND LOCAL PLACE PLAN

Application ref. 24/00548/FUL (Retrospective at Two Oaks 41 Station Road). The planning meeting was cancelled and is due to be rescheduled. A decision is expected at beginning of November.

RSHA Housing in Lampson Road – has advised as below with reference to allocation of houses ... “We will be using a local lettings initiative to let the properties in Killlearn. This means priority is given to those who need to live in the Killlearn Community Council (KCC) area and have a significant housing need. Anyone who is interested in the properties at Killlearn should submit a housing application https://www.rsha.org.uk/data/RSHA_ApplicatonForm_2023_2023_03_30_14_23_50.pdf

TPO (Tree Preservation Order) - KCC will be approaching the TPO officer to review and extend the areas as applicable. KCC will also reach out to members of Killlearn Natural Heritage Group for advice.

Local Place Plan (LPP) – KCC members met with Stirling Council to share the LPP data and analysis from the initial survey / questionnaire and proposed follow up questions. The response was very positive and information will link in with the SC Local Development Plan. The follow up questions will be shared online and some in-person / pop in sessions will be held to help engage with a wider audience.

Disabled Parking at the Killlearn Pharmacy – the repainting of the disabled parking space at the Pharmacy has been requested.

General Planning discussions – KCC have received information from Stirling Council on the numbers of local planning applications over the past 5 years as below: **175** applications have been submitted. Of these applications: 141 were approved, 7 Declined/Refused, 6 went to the planning panel for review and 5 out of those 6 panel decisions were made in line with the planning officer’s original decision (84%). KCC members will be having a meeting with the planning department to discuss further.

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ROADS AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPORT

Blanewater Bridge - A review of the traffic lights is ongoing and the temporary lights will remain in place until this is concluded.

Footpath on Station Road - Construction of a new footway between Cala homes new site and Killlearn via Station Road is programmed to start Monday 18th November 2024. (see signs on Station Rd.)

Footpath from Endrick Road to the Park - reports have been made regarding the overhanging trees. Following discussions with Stirling Council, KCC have confirmed the landowner and will be making contact to discuss options.

Fireworks Road Closure and Parking Restrictions - Station Road will be closed / no parking on the evening of 3rd November for the fireworks and there will be no parking on Main Street from the Square – and along Balfron Road to approx. the boundary of the village.

B818 from junction with Polmaise Road to its junction with the C41. This road will be closed for a distance of 530 metres or thereby from 0900 hours until 1700 hours from 18-11-24 until 24-11-24 to facilitate surfacing works.

CORRESPONDENCE

Oak Tree in the park - The council are going to try and save the tree by limbing the dangerous branches. KCC have enquired as to whether the fallen limbs / logs could be cut horizontally and whether the resulting planks could be used to repair benches at the woodland cemetery

Representatives from community councils - are now meeting 2 to 3 times per year. The recent meeting had 37 communities take part. Caroline Sinclair (Stirling Councils new Chief Officer) was in attendance and this was seen as a positive forum discussion

Booklet for Older People's services - A new booklet has been produced to signpost older people to support services across the Stirling area. It is available [online](#) and printed copies can also be obtained from community centres, libraries, etc.

Community Winter Volunteers <https://www.stirling.gov.uk/media/nrrdevif/community-winter-volunter-pack1.pdf> Residents are being asked to consider becoming Community Winter Volunteers, offering their time to clear snow or spread salt along public footways and footpaths in their streets and housing estates.

Minor Injuries – please note that you MUST now phone NHS 24 on 111 and not just go to Minor Injuries directly.

Stirling Council is continuing its Big Conversation - with residents about how it tackles another significant budget shortfall next year (2025-26). Residents will be able to share their views on the budget in two surveys, please see [the Engage Stirling website](#).

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Advent Windows - if anyone in the community has a window visible from the street and would be interested in taking part in the Christmas advent windows - please contact Lindsay at killearn.advent.windows@gmail.com

BHS Minibus - Killearn Community Council and Killearn Community Futures Company have confirmed their support to Balfroun High School for their plans to apply for funding for a new 'community' minibus

Provost's 2024 Charities of the Year – congratulations to Trossachs Search and Rescue <https://trossachs-sar.com/> who were awarded Charity of the Year.

Historic Sundays with Historic Scotland - on the first Sunday of every month, from November 2024 until March 2025, members of the public can get free tickets to their iconic sites across Scotland by visiting www.HistoricSundays.scot

Without Barriers - free come and try multi-sport sessions for those living with disabilities or who face barriers to participating in sport. No experience is needed—just come along and enjoy! <https://www.activestirling.org.uk/news/without-barriers-multi-sport-sessions-balfroun> John McLintock Hall, Balfroun – Thursdays in Nov. 10.00am-12.00pm for info email mckennac@activestirling.org.uk

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