# KILLEARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL WELCOME TO UPDATE 148 - Sept. 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 17 Sept. at 8pm - pls. email <a href="mailto:contactus@Killearncc.org.uk">contactus@Killearncc.org.uk</a> with any queries.

**POLICE MATTERS** - the full police report from July '25 is available on the KCC website www.killearncc.org.uk

- Fraud A report was received of a fraudulent scheme. The circumstances being the
  victim engaged with an account on TikTok and was offered counterfeit money in
  exchange for money in the form of gift cards. The phone number used by the
  perpetrator was of US origin as such no suspect has been identified.
- Road Traffic A report was received following a collision between two vehicles travelling west on the B834 between A809 and A81. While the reporter stopped her vehicle, the driver of the other vehicle left the scene without exchanging details or reporting the matter. Enquiries have been conducted however no suspect has been identified.

### PLANNING AND LOCAL PLACE PLAN

Please see the Stirling Council <u>website</u> for the latest planning report. Extracts of applications and activities within Killearn are noted below:

- Our Killearn Community Local Place Plan With huge thanks to all who have contributed and responded to our surveys and activities our Killearn Community Local Place Plan is now online and we'd appreciate your comments / queries prior to the final plan being submitted to Stirling Council at the end of Oct. The plan is available here
   https://www.killearncc.org.uk/docs/misc/Killearn LPP for Consultation V2.pdf and if
  - https://www.killearncc.org.uk/docs/misc/Killearn\_LPP\_for\_Consultation\_V2.pdf and if you have comments or queries please submit them via email to contactus@killearncc.org.uk or come along to the next Killearn Community Council meeting on Wed. 17th Sept. @ 8pm in the Garden Room at the Village Hall where we'll have more information and copies of the plan printed out for easy reference. The deadline for comments is Tuesday 30th Sept. 2025.
- Stirling's Next Local Development Plan Call for Sites and Ideas the call for Sites and Ideas, is a Stirling Council invitation to submit proposals and ideas to help shape the content of Stirling's next Local Development Plan. Please see the <a href="Engage Stirling website">Engage Stirling website</a> to take part in the quick surveys and to find out more information. The <a href="Online surveys">online surveys</a> will be open until Friday 31 October, with paper copies available in libraries shortly. All submissions will be considered by the planning authority for inclusion in the next <a href="Local Development Plan">Local Development Plan</a>. Sites that are proposed for development will be part of a public consultation and engagement (expected in February 2026). This will provide individuals and community groups with an opportunity to offer feedback before the plan is finalised and published for public consultation in early 2027 (subject to council approval).

## Planning applications submitted / processed

- **25/00423/FUL** Alterations, additional storey added and extension to dwellinghouse at 3 Branziert Road, Killearn G63 9RG
- **25/00413/FUL** Alterations to and extension of dwelling, erection of outbuilding, landscaping woks, installation of Air Source Heat Pump and erection of gate and fence at access to existing dwellinghouse at 4 The Square, Killearn G63 9NF
- **25/00270/FUL** Change of use from public open space to garden ground at 7 Alder Crescent, Killearn, G63 9SH

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- 25/00459/FUL Proposed raising of roof on existing cottage to form additional stored and two stored pitched roof extension at Blane River Cottage, Killearn, G63 9QH
- **25/00155/FUL** Roof alterations including the formation of 3no. dormers at Fairwinds Endrick Road Killearn G63 9QD **approved with conditions**
- 25/00305/FUL Formation of garden building to form garage and additional living space ancillary to single dwelling at Little Carbeth, Drumtian Road Killearn G63 9QB – approved with conditions

## **ROADS AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE**

- 20 mph limits and works in Killearn work to update provision will be carried out this financial year. The review of signing and lining associated with the 20-mph speed limit will include Main Street, Balfron Road and the section of Station Road subject to this reduced speed limit. Speed surveys have also been arranged for the main routes through all villages currently subject to a 20-mph speed limit, including Killearn. These will be carried out over the next two months.
- The A875 (road to Killearn through Balfron from the Stirling Rd.) will close from its junction with the A811 to its junction with the A81 from 0930 hours until 1530 hours from 15-9-25 until 26-9-25 to facilitate parapet repairs at Mollinclerich Bridge
- Blane Smiddy KCC has reported the poor conditions at the mini roundabout and access roads. The council has recognised the condition of the road here is poor and that it will be put forward for inclusion in next year's programme of works with minor works undertaken in the meantime

### **AOB**

- Leaking drain at the top of Crosshead Rd. Scottish Water have been on site (3<sup>rd</sup> Sept.) to unblock and have used cameras to clean out blockages caused by roots from aging trees etc. in the pipework. There should be no further problems.
- Visitor Levy: Stirling Council is asking for feedback on a draft Visitor Levy scheme. The draft scheme proposes a 5% levy on overnight stays across all forms of paid visitor accommodation in the Stirling Council area. Residents now have an opportunity to share their views through an online survey which will run until 12 October. There are also drop-in sessions locally as below:
  - Balfron (11 September 2025 10am 6pm, John McLintock Hall)
  - Drymen (17 September 2025, 10am-6pm, Drymen Village Hall)
- The Stirling Housing Need Survey has been launched and views are being sought from residents across the region. Information from the survey will be used to plan for the number of homes that may be needed in future, set a target for affordable homes and areas of Stirling where new developments may be needed most and will inform a range of policies including the Local Housing Strategy and Local Development Plan. The survey is completely confidential and anonymous and will run for the next eight weeks. Survey partners Craigforth will be contacting a sample of residents directly via telephone in the coming month to request feedback. Residents can take the survey online at www.bit.ly/stirling-housing or by calling 0800 433 7212
- Education admissions policy consultation open to the public The new Education Admissions Policy aims to combine five separate policies that relate to admissions to educational settings within Stirling. These are:
  - Nursery Admissions Policy
  - Early Entry to School Policy
  - School Admissions Policy
  - Education Admissions Panel guidance for the admission of children and young people to Specialist Additional Support Needs Provisions
  - Placing Request Policy

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Anyone can take part in the survey, and the council is particularly keen to hear from learn parents or carers with children at, or about to start, school or nursery within the Stirling Council area. See here to view / complete the online survey

- Glasgow Wrestling Club- New Club Promotion in Balfron Free come & try dates

   Thursday September 25th & October 2nd , Location- The Aizle, Balfron Station
   Time- 6 -7pm, Age Range- 5 years to 12 years
   Website- https://glasgow-wrestling-club.classforkids.io
   Email- rossum87@hotmail.co.uk Call- 07883031955
- Use of the EV charging spaces at the Health Centre Car Park please note that there is no maximum time limits on the 22kW chargers as the length of time it takes a vehicle to charge is dependent on the car's on board charger and not all can draw 22kWs in an hour. As these are the only chargers in Killearn it would also be unreasonable to expect drivers to move their car after 3-4 hours if they are at work or charging overnight. Residents have noted that some owners are staying longer than necessary and this is more of an etiquette issue. Chargeplace Scotland have produced guidance on charging etiquette https://chargeplacescotland.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/cps-etiquette-guide.pdf It should also be noted that there is TRO in place at both car parks in Killearn and the EV bays are enforceable. Therefore a parking enforcement officer would be able to issue fixed penalty notices to those merely using the bays as a parking space.
- Plans for new glass recycling scheme Currently, residents are asked to present
  their 55-litre blue boxes for glass recycling collection every four weeks. Under the new
  system, 140-litre wheeled bins will be introduced to most households, with a collection
  frequency of every eight weeks. This will provide residents with 17% additional annual
  capacity for glass recycling. The bins will make it easier for the public to present their
  glass for recycling, removing the need for boxes to be lifted and carried to the
  kerbside.

Please note that Local Councillors will be in attendance at KCC meetings as below

Wed 17 Sept
 Wed 15 Oct
 Wed 19 Nov
 Wed 17 Dec
 Councillor McGarvey
 Councillor Henke
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