

APPROVED

**BARRHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Meeting held on Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2011**  
**Memorial Hall, Barrhill at 7.30pm.**

No.	Item	Action
	<p><b>Sederunt: Barrhill Community Council</b> W David Bowling (WDB), Andrew Clegg (AC), Louba Hodgkinson (LH), Lily Niven (LN), Ann Robertson (AR), Dave Russell (DR) (Chair), Celia Strain (CS) (Minute Taker).</p> <p><b>In Attendance:</b> Councillor John McDowall (JMcD), Peter Linton (PL) (SAC). Richard Carr (RC) &amp; Colleague, (SAYLSA) (Part)</p>	
1	<p><b>Apologies for Absence</b> Stuart Donnelly (SD) DR referred to the recent resignation of Adrian Goodall. A letter of thanks to be sent for his work with the CC.</p>	CS
2	<p><b>Police</b> There was no police presence and no communication had been received. AR informed that there had been a serious road accident near Girvan and it was thought this was perhaps the reason for the absence.</p>	
3	<p><b>Speaker: Richard Carr, SAYLSA</b> DR informed that this item delayed as the speaker is unable to arrive until later.</p>	
4	<p><b>Minutes of Previous Meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011</b> Correction to the minutes at <i>Item 7, Updates: a) BCIC 'Arecleoch 30% fund' to read 'SAWET/Lendal Environmental Trust'</i>. <i>Item 6, Treasurer's Report:</i> LH requested words be added showing '<i>the report was offered round the table</i>' for viewing. Agreed. LH was not willing to approve the minutes until Item 6 was altered in relation to the '<i>Community Bus</i>' grant application. All the other Community Councillors who had been present at the meeting approved the minutes. A lengthy discussion followed until a compromise was put forward by DR and this was finally agreed. Reference to be made to the application being '<i>agreed in principal but to be formally approved at the next CC meeting</i>'. The minutes of the previous meeting, with additions, were then approved, proposed AC, seconded AR.</p>	CS CS CS
5	<p><b>Matters Arising from the Minutes</b> <i>Item 5: Matters Arising from the Minutes</i> <b>Station Road/B7027</b> AC confirmed that at long last the deep potholes on the B7027 had been repaired, which news was welcomed. The Station Road potholes, alas, had not and the road surface is still in a deplorable condition. CS informed that she had that morning contacted Roads and spoken with the Roads Inspector. He assured her that this was now a priority and top of his list and hoped to get approval to carry out the work at the weekend, although the weather forecast was bad. To be closely monitored. PL to be informed if the work is not carried out. <b>Stinchar Valley Communities Meeting</b> As reported previously, LH and LN had attended this meeting and notes had been forwarded from Claire Pirrie, but LH informed that both she and LN had resigned from this due to other commitments. While no-one else is willing at present to attend the next meeting, it was agreed that the CC wished to be kept informed and to receive the meeting notes/minutes. CS to communicate this to Claire Pirrie and send the CC's apologies for absence. DR suggested a rota to attend. It was hoped there would be a Barrhill representative at a later date. <b>Item 10: Closure of A714</b> JMcD had enquired into the lack of information regarding this and informed that it was due to an oversight. In future the CC should be informed of any road closures in the area. <b>Item 11: AOB Council Members/Members of the Public: Barrhill E-Newsletter</b> AC informed that he was willing to take this over in January. DR expressed the CC's appreciation. <b>Provision of Skips</b> It was also appreciated that WDB confirmed he will assume responsibility for the skips from next January. <b>Street Lighting</b> AR commented on a faulty light in the vicinity of her house, which she was monitoring.</p>	CS CS ALL

	<p><b>BRICC</b> PL had investigated this and informed that the contract had been put out to tender. It transpired that the successful group had omitted transport from the tender. The matter could only be resolved by a formal request to SAC. Noted</p> <p><b>SAC Planning Review</b> JMCD had previously informed of the result of his enquiries, and confirmed that it was the result of planning technical procedures. As all knew, the letters of support had been allowed and the original decision overturned.</p> <p><b>Community Engagement.</b> LN reported on her attendance at this in the afternoon session PL stated the evening session had been better attended.</p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	
<b>3</b>	<p>LH circulated the monthly statement which showed a healthy balance. She had received a bill from BMHCA, which confirmed the annual fee to be £125. Agreed that this would be paid.</p> <p>LH asked if the annual subscription to CCCF should be paid. CS was not aware of subscriptions being overdue and not all CCs had paid last year's. Agreed there was no rush to pay at present.</p> <p><i>8.30pm Speaker arrived.</i></p> <p><b>Speaker: Richard Carr, SAYLSA (Barrhill Community Bus)</b></p> <p>Richard Carr (RC) introduced himself and his colleague to those who didn't already know them, then proceeded to give a brief outline of the history of SAYLSA, which was established almost four years' ago, in 2008.</p> <p>He then spoke of the scheme for a Community bus. The scheme had been discussed before, with drivers using their own vehicles, but this idea had been abandoned. The current project had come about due to the Stena Line moving the Irish ferries from Stranraer to Cairnryan, with its impact on use of the railway between Stranraer and Girvan. Various funders are supporting the project, including SAC and Leader. There is a booking for the bus from Colmonell for this coming weekend.</p> <p>Drivers are to be trained. There are four volunteers at present. The CCT is a trainer and it is expected a course will be held in about three weeks' time. The bus seats sixteen plus the driver. The cost to hire the bus is £25 plus 55p per mile.</p> <p>The train timetable is to change on 11<sup>th</sup> December, with the loss of the 9.30am train to Barrhill. A project has been instigated by the Labour Group in SW Scotland to argue for a better timetable, with Stena being invited to join in. One meeting has already been held with JMCD invited to the second, to be held shortly.</p> <p>RC then invited questions. AC was concerned that the 7.45am train will not go to Kilmarnock, which affects transport to Crosshouse Hospital.</p> <p><i>PL left the meeting at 8.40pm</i></p> <p>AR asked about the provisions for wheelchair users.</p> <p>The renewal fee for membership of SAYLSA is £7.50. (Barrhill CC's current membership status to be checked out.) Midas training for volunteer drivers of the Community Bus was discussed. DR is to undergo this training. CS asked if the local volunteers would undergo training at the course being held in three weeks' time. RC said they would. He then asked what the community wanted from the Community Bus service.</p> <p>A general discussion then followed. DR was concerned re-transport for young people. RC informed that there was a new bus scheme 'My Bus', which had replaced Dial A Bus'. He would forward details of this.</p> <p>DR then thanked RC for his talk. <i>RC and his colleague then left at 8.50pm.</i></p>	LH
<b>7</b>	<b>Updates</b>	
	<p><b>a) BCIC</b> DR informed as to the arrangements for the Open Day on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> November. The architect's plans for the car park would be on display to the community, and if approved, would be submitted to SAC for planning consent. Local clubs had all been invited to have displays/stands at the event. AR would remind DH of BMHCA of the event as it was hoped that they would respond to the invitation and have a display of the plans for the Memorial Hall.</p> <p>LH informed that there had been a digger employed on the car park site in order to obtain a soil sample for testing for contaminants. Ross Mackay will communicate the results when available. After the Open event a planning application will be put to SAC for approval. The works will then go out to tender.</p> <p>The Community Garden is still in abeyance, waiting for clarification as to land ownership.</p>	AR

	<p>DR informed that Dave Holtom had resigned from the BCIC. A letter of thanks would be going to him for all his hard work with the BCIC, particularly the Climate Challenge Fund.</p> <p><b>b) Carrick Futures (CF)</b> LH reported that the next time was not a funding round. CF is taking up charitable status, after the year's grace to see if this would be advisable. It was decided this would be advantageous.</p> <p>The last funding round two applications had been rejected, involving Ailsa Horizons. The Rural Skills application was rejected.</p> <p>LH announced she was resigning from being the CF representative but was persuaded to remain for the next CF meeting.</p> <p>This matter to be placed on the next CC agenda.</p> <p><b>c) CCCF</b> CS informed that the October meeting had been cancelled due to the Maybole and Girvan Community Engagement events. The next meeting is on 8<sup>th</sup> November.</p>	<p>BCIC</p> <p>CS</p>
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Administration of the Carrick Futures Community Council Grant</b></p> <p>LH raised this issue as she had been given grant applications. It was agreed that the joint secretaries should deal initially with any applications.</p>	LN/CS
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Grant Applications</b></p> <p><b>a) Barrhill Community Bus</b> This application was formally approved by a unanimous decision. (Reference: Item 6 of previous minutes.) While it was noted that four Community Councillors are on the Community Bus sub-committee of the BCIC, it was agreed that this was not a conflict of interest, which required a 'declaration of interest', as no gain was involved.</p> <p>Presently two trips are available, to the Lantern Parade in Girvan and also the Fireworks Display. Posters are being displayed in the village.</p> <p><b>b) Barrhill Bowling Club</b> This application could not be considered, as it was for work that had already been carried out. The Club can re-apply for work required next summer.</p> <p>An application from <b>BMHCA</b> had just been received and will be considered at the next meeting.</p>	ALL
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Planning Applications</b></p> <p>LH reported nothing applicable to Barrhill this time. She also announced that she was relinquishing her role of receiving the weekly planning lists. AR offered to take this up.</p>	AR
<b>11</b>	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>In addition to items already emailed out:</p> <p><i>A Games Legacy for Scotland</i></p> <p><i>NHS Ayrshire &amp; Arran: Customer Service Survey</i></p> <p><i>NHS Ayrshire &amp; Arran: PPF Locality event, Prestwick</i></p> <p><i>NHS Ayrshire &amp; Arran: Central Scotland Green Network grants for small scale environmental improvements.</i> CS to investigate this.</p> <p><i>Barrhill Angling Club:</i> LH had received a most appreciative 'thank you' letter in acknowledgement their cheque.</p>	CS
<b>12</b>	<p><b>AOB Council Members/Members of the Public</b></p> <p><b>AC</b> reported that he had looked at the projector but was unable to repair it. DR offered to try as he had some further knowledge of such equipment</p> <p><b>LN</b> referred to the Remembrance Day service and all agreed that Andy Kennedy should again be asked to place the wreath. LN will speak to him.</p> <p><b>LH</b> reminded JMcD that the brown bin requested for the hall had still not arrived.</p> <p>JMcD will investigate but informed that the brown and blue bin collection programme was set to alter in December.</p> <p><i>The meeting closed at 9.45pm.</i></p>	<p>DR</p> <p>LN</p> <p>JMcD</p>
	<p><b>Dates &amp; Time of Meetings for remainder of 2011</b></p> <p><i>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November</i></p> <p><i>All meetings commence at 7.30pm.</i></p> <p><i>There is no meeting in December.</i></p>	