

**APPROVED**

**BARRHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Meeting held on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2011**  
**Memorial Hall, Barrhill at 7.30pm.**

No.	Item	Action
	<p><b>Sederunt: Barrhill Community Council</b> Louba Hodgkinson (LH), Dave Holtom (DH), Lily Niven (LN), (Vice-Chair), Dave Russell (DR), Celia Strain (CS) (Minute Taker)</p> <p><b>In Attendance:</b> PC Graham Barclay (GB), PC Alan Mitchell (AM) ( Girvan &amp; South Carrick Community Policing Team)</p> <p>3 Members of the public</p> <p>LN (Vice-Chair) chaired the meeting, in the absence of FR (Chair).</p>	
1	<p><b>Apologies for Absence</b> Fionnadh Ratchford (FR), Peter Linton (PL) (SAC),</p>	
2	<p><b>Police</b></p> <p>PC Graham Barclay informed the CC that they were investigating two crimes reported since the last meeting. One was a housebreaking on Kildonan estate, the other a theft on a windfarm site.</p> <p><b>Traffic Slow Sign at Mark Hill Entrance</b> CS referred to this matter, which was raised at the end of the previous meeting, there being no improvement in the situation. GB will discuss with Sergeant Mark Hornby, who had raised the matter initially with the windfarm contractors.</p> <p>There had been a report of a crack in the stonework of the bridge on Main Street. GB and AM will inspect on leaving the meeting and, if necessary, report to SAC roads section.</p> <p>GB and AM were made aware of a report of unknown underage drivers in the village. Noted</p> <p>GB and AM were thanked for their attendance and then left the meeting</p>	<p>GB</p> <p>GB, AM</p>
3	<p><b>Minutes of Previous Meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> March 2011</b> These were approved, proposed LH, seconded LN.</p>	
4	<p><b>Matters Arising from the Minutes</b> All matters on the agenda.</p>	
5	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b></p> <p>LH circulated copies of her report, showing only £60.27 left in the funds at the end of the financial year. The report had been submitted to SAC together with the accounts for auditing, and the chequebook. These had not yet been returned. SAC's fee for this will be £30.</p> <p>She informed that BMHCA had agreed the sum of £125 for the hire of the hall per annum.</p>	
6	<p><b>Updates</b></p> <p><b>a) BCIC</b> DR reported no change from the previous month. With regard to the <b>Climate Champions Network Programme</b> DH informed that Leader is awaiting the final claim and reports on the project, which is now completed. There had been an overspend on the Biomass Heating System but fortunately Community Energy Scotland had contributed funds towards this. All that remained to be done on site was some tidying up round the boiler.</p> <p><b>b) Carrick Futures (CF)</b> LH and DH had attended the latest CF meeting. One of the Directors had been asked to resign as he had failed to disclose interests despite requests to do so on more than one occasion. There had been no funding requests. CF is keen to promote the proposed communities post. The CF AGM is on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> May. All members are eligible to attend.</p> <p><b>c) CCCF</b> LN and CS had attended the CCCF meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> April. CS reported on the five point message from this. In addition, it was proposed (to be confirmed by CF) to ask the five CCs in north Carrick if they wished</p>	

	<p>to apply for funding. The Ayrshire &amp; Arran Tourism Strategy Development Invitation for an event in Ayr on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> May was announced. All welcome to attend.</p>	
7	<p><b>Barrhill Surgery</b> CS and LN informed that, at the recent CCCF meeting, the Ballantrae representative had reported that at the Ballantrae Medical Practice Patient Participation Group meeting that same evening, concern had been raised as to the future viability of the practice if NHS Ayrshire &amp; Arran reduced funding. This could impact on medical services, with the possibility of the closure of rural practices. There was also a threat to the dispensing of medicines. After discussion it was agreed to request the minutes of the Patient Participation Group meeting to ascertain the matters discussed and then decide on a course of action, should any be deemed necessary.</p>	DH
8	<p><b>Communications</b> a) <b>Newsletter</b> Further to the presentation at the last meeting, the matter of the Stinchar Valley magazine was discussed. It was unanimously agreed that the CC could not currently afford the £250 requested and it was felt that this sum was too great. DH to inform Jim Syme of Pinwherry &amp; Pinmore CC of this decision. The matter is also to be referred to the BCIC. b) <b>Website</b> DH explained the situation with regard to renewing the domain name. The hosting fee due is £50 plus VAT. It was agreed that the best solution would be for the BMHCA to pay for this and then to apply to the CC for a grant. DH will put this to the BMHCA. A member of the public present, Mr A. Clegg (AC), kindly offered to update the website, and was asked to discuss this with Tommy Donnelly. He agreed to liaise with DH.</p>	DH  DH, AC
9	<p><b>Planning Applications</b> LH reported one relevant application, namely that from the village stores, pertaining to part change of use to form a hot food takeaway. This is a retrospective application. There were no objections. LH enquired as to the length of time required to keep paper copies of planning application lists. Agreed that those prior to 2011 need not be kept.</p>	LH
10	<p><b>Correspondence</b> <b>Small Grant Applications</b> LH reported that applications had been received from Barrhill Playgroup and the Fishing Club. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to continue these to the next meeting, but in the meantime to place notices publicly, inviting applications for funding, in order to discover how much money is likely to be sought in total. DH ran through the correspondence received, which included the following: i) Military Exercises (2) ii) Election Issues iii) Ayr Holy Fair 18<sup>th</sup> June 2011 iv) Administration Grant v) NHS Information vi) Health in the Community vii) List of dates for the skip: Kindly organised by Tommy Donnelly</p> <p style="text-align: center;">29<sup>th</sup> April, 27<sup>th</sup> May 29<sup>th</sup> July 30<sup>th</sup> September 18<sup>th</sup> November 30<sup>th</sup> December</p>	DH/LH
11	<p><b>AOB Council Members/Members of the Public</b> <b>SAYLSA</b> LN had discussed the Saylsa bus with Richard Carr, who had informed that, at present, there are nine bookings for the bus. They are hoping groups will hire the bus. LN hopes to receive further information before the next BCIC meeting. <b>Barr Ltd</b> Further to the complaint passed on by FR at the last meeting, concerning the noise emanating from Barr's yard, two members of the public</p>	LN

<p>present spoke further on this issue. It transpired that SAC officers are still investigating. There is concern also over the levels of cement dust present in the air. CS to contact Environmental Health for an update and to ascertain the best course of action for the CC to take.</p> <p><b>Forestry Roads</b> DH reported, from a discussion with Stan Corcoran, that the Forestry Commission had created 'islands' at the forestry crossroads on the B7207 Knowe Road, which had improved safety at the junctions. Positive measures taken to increase use of the forest roads included improvements to the road surface and further communication with drivers.</p> <p><b>Barrhill Old Cemetery</b> LN reported that the cemetery grass had been cut. Noted</p> <p><b>Holiday Parks' Junctions</b> DR reported a number of near accidents caused by traffic rounding the corner at the entrances to the two holiday parks, at excessive speeds, as caravans are entering/exiting the sites. DH will contact JMcD to see what action SAC's Roads section could do to alleviate the situation.</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>DH,JMcD</p>
<p><b>Dates &amp; Time of Meetings for 2011</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 24th February 2011</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 26<sup>TH</sup> May (AGM)</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November</b></p> <p><b>All meetings commence at 7.30pm.</b></p> <p><b>There are no meetings in June &amp; December.</b></p>	