

APPROVED

BARRHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Meeting held on Wednesday 28th June 2017 in the
Memorial Hall, Barrhill at 7.30pm.

No	Item	Action
	<p>Sederunt: Barrhill Community Council Andrew Clegg (AC), James Duffie (JD), Kenneth McLaren (KMcl), Dave Russell (DR) (Chair), Alistair Scott (ASc) (Treasurer), Andrew Sinclair (AS), Celia Strain (CS) (Secretary & Minute Taker), Johnnie Thomson (JT).</p> <p>In Attendance: SAC Councillor Peter Henderson (PH), PCs Sam Briggs (SB) & Graham Barclay (GB) (Girvan & South Carrick Community Policing Team), 3 Members of the public. James Young (JY), Troon Community First Responders' Team Co-ordinator.</p>	
1	Apologies for Absence	
	Ann Robertson (AR) (Vice-Chair)	
3	Speaker: Jim Young (Co-ordinator of Troon First Responders) Community First Responder Scheme	
	<p>The Police had not yet arrived, so DR introduced the speaker, Jim Young and invited him to give his presentation. JY commenced by giving the background of First Responders, which originated in Seattle. He is currently co-ordinator of the Troon First Responders and had been a member for 7 years, during which time 60 cardiac arrests and a total of 1100 calls had been dealt with. He stressed the importance of CPR, which gives time and can result in 60% of cardiac arrest cases surviving - the teamwork involved with First Responders saves lives. The locus of a team has a radius of between 4 and 15 miles.</p> <p>JY then gave further details of the scheme, going through the various sections. Under Who can be a First Responder and What Training he ran through the requirements for applicants, which include a distance learning package of 4 modules, carried out 6 weeks before the practical course. This is a 4 day responder course, with monthly training thereafter, consisting of 2 hours per session.</p> <p>A break for questions then ensued with discussions on what would happen in various situations such as road closures; life threatening injuries; nearest hospitals; occurrence of a major incident.</p> <p>How are Responders called out? Calls are received at the Ambulance Control Centre at Cardonald, where a dispatcher decides if the call is suitable to be allocated to a First Responder Team and then coded. Teams are not knowingly sent to, for example, a road traffic accident. JY informed the meeting of the equipment carried by First Responders and also discussed the support given by the Scottish Ambulance Service. He concluded by answering further questions and was then thanked by DR for a most interesting presentation.</p> <p>It is hoped that Barrhill will soon have its own First Responder team in the community.</p>	
2	Police	
	<p>DR thanked the Police for their patience, as they had arrived during the above presentation. PC Briggs informed that there had been 8 incidents since the last CC meeting on 31st May and from these, three crimes had been recorded. All related to Kildonan: an assault under Section 38 and another Section 38; and theft of a plant vehicle. Enquiries are ongoing.</p> <p>Questions were then invited. DR enquired re figures for the previous period as there was no Police presence at the last meeting. SB informed that absence must have resulted from an incident elsewhere but she would forward the figures. <i>(These were emailed through late that evening and informed that from 26.04.17 - 30/05/17 there had been 10 police incidents resulting in 0 crimes being recorded for Barrhill.)</i></p> <p>DR thanked SB and GB for their report and they then left the meeting.</p>	
4	Minutes of Previous Meeting of 31st May 2017	
	These were approved: proposed by AC, seconded by KMcl.	
5	Matters Arising from the Minutes	
	<p>Item 4: Matters Arising:</p> <p>New Cemetery Building: No further information from Lizzie Linton as yet. Ongoing</p> <p>Litter on verges: AS reported no further contact yet from SAC's Paul Dougall. PH informed the meeting that it would be possible to receive assistance with litter-picking from the</p>	CS

	<p>Community Payback Scheme. While the A77 is not viewed as suitable for this, the A714 is. AS will investigate. Ongoing</p> <p>Tree Preservation Order: JD reported he had still heard nothing from Zena Clark. He will chase this up. Ongoing</p> <p>Salt Bins: DR will investigate with ARA before the winter sets in. Ongoing</p> <p>Item 10: AOB:</p> <p>Flower Containers: CS confirmed that a load of mulch/compost had been delivered to 15, Main Street and also the bedding plants. Annie Clarke had arranged with Mrs Murphy re planting out with the Primary School pupils. The CC is most appreciative of the work carried out by Annie and the pupils.</p> <p>Balloch Bridge Closure: PH had enquired of ARA about the misleading notices and was informed that there had been a mistake and corrective action was taken.</p> <p>Litter up Mark Hill Road: AR had reported to CS that she had emailed SPR's Mitch Rankin about this, but to date had not received a reply. Ongoing</p> <p>Former Barrhill Kirk: JD had not drafted out a letter re-this matter, as he discovered that a pile of bark chippings had been deposited at the Kirk entrance, effectively blocking the path. DR then referred to an anonymous letter (circulated to all) he and JD had each received, regarding this matter. DR was of the opinion, agreed by all, that letters sent anonymously cannot be considered and no action will be taken unless the person concerned discloses his/her name along with their concerns.</p> <p>A77 Action Group Petition: CS had signed the petition on behalf of the CC, registering comments, and personally. She had received an emailed thank you letter and an update from Donald McHarrie of the A77 Action Group, informing that the online petition had received 1599 signatures and 1652 hard copies.</p> <p>Defibrillator Pads: The new pads and batteries are now in place in the defibrillator. (Other items on the agenda)</p>	<p>AS JD DR</p> <p>AR</p>
6	<p>Treasurer's Report</p>	
	<p>ASc gave a report of the accounts since the previous meeting. The accounts had been audited by SAC and were satisfactory, with the books returned to him on 5th June. The sum of £302 40 is to be debited – the costs of new pads and batteries for the defibrillator. The £5,000 for the Carrick Futures Small Grant Fund was now in the account and after the BMHCA's grant cheque for the Fun Day costs is debited there will be a balance of £5,633.50 in the Carrick Future's fund. ASc informed that £8,000 has been received from the War Memorials' Trust for the repairs to the War Memorial. In addition, SAC's administration cheque for this financial year has just been received, which was not the full yearly amount but the balance, taking into account monies remaining on 31st March. It is not known if allowance was made for the £50 remaining BOS compensation money.</p> <p>Approval of Accounts The accounts for the 2016/2017 financial year were duly approved unanimously by the CC: proposed by CS, seconded by DR. ASc was thanked for his report.</p>	
7	<p>Updates</p>	
	<p>a) BCIC: JT and DR reported on the recent meeting, the main items being: AGM As stated previously, this will be held on 23rd August. A number of grants were awarded, as follows: Memorial Hall A grant of £3,371 was given to the Hall for maintenance costs. Development Officer A further grant of £5,667 was also given to cover costs for four months. Barrhill Bowling Club A grant of £10,800 was awarded to purchase a combined mower/scarifier, a shed, and midge machines. Barrhill Primary School £437 for a trip to Kelburn. Director Vacancies There are several vacancies, with nominations open from 18th July, although application forms are available now from any director. Letters will soon be sent to all members.</p> <p>b) Carrick Futures (CF): No meeting held since the last CC meeting.</p> <p>c) CCCF/South Ayrshire Health & Social Care Partnership Locality Planning CS attended the 7th June meeting, when the main items were: Mental Health & Well-being Strategy Presentation by Fiona Smith: Ayrshire & Arran Health Board has a twelve year plan, to be carried out in 4 x 3 year blocks. South Carrick First Responders Twenty two people have registered to become First</p>	

	<p>Responders. They all met up on 23rd May and the next dates have already been arranged for training - there will be four sessions during August/September. One kit has been donated already and a second one promised. The aim is for each village to have its own kit and it is intended to appeal to all CCs to donate funding from their CF grant money.</p> <p>Local Ambulance Delays There have been complaints recently regarding ambulance delays. A second ambulance would be desirable but at present is not economically viable.</p> <p>Girvan Community Hospital GP Engagement A meeting will be held with Locality Planning representatives.</p> <p>Meeting dates It was agreed to change to the second Wednesday in the month.</p> <p>Open Doors Event These to be arranged—to include Housing, District Nurse, Social Services etc through the Community Led Support.</p> <p>Bariatric Chair PH informed that Girvan now had its own bariatric chair available for use.</p> <p>d) War Memorial AC reported that he had attended an on-site meeting two weeks ago with Mark McLaughlin of William Waugh & Sons, the Dumfries builders who will carry out the renovation. The ironworks are being discussed and there will shortly be a meeting with the Professional Adviser. All CC members were delighted with the progress. Ongoing</p> <p>e) Kilgallioch Windfarm: DR informed there had been no further meeting since last time, with one scheduled for around 10th July.</p>	
8	Planning Applications	
	<p>CS reported there had been no applications for Barrhill. On the decisions list for May, there were two for Barrhill. The proposed housing development at Gowlands Terrace had been refused, due to no payment being forthcoming in lieu of affordable housing and a play area. An application for alterations and a change of use at Tarfessock had been permitted, however.</p>	
9	Small Grant Applications	
	<p>Barrhill Badminton Club Funding of £500 was applied for, to cover the costs of hiring the Hall from September 2017 to June 2018. DR and AC, being club members, declared an interest in this item. The application was unanimously approved by the remaining C Councillors.</p> <p>Barrhill Community Council AC had submitted the application for a computer to replace the Secretary's own 10 year old one, which is nearing the end of its life. A reliable pc is essential for the Secretary's use for CC minutes etc. The application for £500 was unanimously approved. AC will discuss with CS on the most appropriate pc.</p>	AC/CS
10	SW Scotland Community Rail Partnership (formerly SAYLSA)	
	<p>A letter had been received from Dr. Mhairi McKenna, Chief Executive Officer of the new Community Rail Partnership, 'South West Scotland', which is the new name for the former SAYLSA. The organisation is keen to work with every CC in its area and extends an invitation to become one of the partner organisations. SWSCRIP would also welcome the opportunity to attend a CC meeting to outline its work and objectives. After discussion it was agreed that CS would reply indicating the CC's full support. AS informed that he had confirmed that the CC's subscription to SAYLSA remains valid for the successor organisation.</p>	CS
11	Correspondence	
	<p>Altercannoch Windfarm Addendum: DR received a letter from Brookfield Renewables regarding progress and submission of information associated with the access route. Since then, the planning application to SAC has been delayed further until 16th November due to this addendum. Brookfield has now proposed a CLG meeting on 13th July to update members.</p> <p>Merchant Navy Day: DR received notification from Seafarers UK of the Merchant Navy Day on 3rd September, requesting that the Red Ensign be flown that day, to raise awareness of 'ongoing reliance on seafarers and shipping'. Noted</p> <p>NHS Ayrshire & Arran: An application form for Partners in Policymaking for parents of disabled children; Pharmacy—Vacancy for a volunteer Lay Member to the Pharmacy Practices Committee; Newsletters (Scottish Disability Equality Forum & Volunteering); Chief Scientist Office—volunteers wanted for Public Engagement Group.</p> <p>Ayrshire CND: Letter received regarding MOD nuclear transport convoys. Noted – no action.</p> <p>Tree Charter: Legacy trees—interest in planting one? No action to be taken.</p> <p>SPEN Update: Latest update received and circulated from Colin Wylie, SPEN's Community</p>	

	<p>Relations Manager. Reseeding/levelling of triangle/grass verges down The Avenue scheduled for July; the wall at the rear of the bowling green will be built by the end of July; interim repair on road at Gowlands Terrace also to be carried out in July; and the tender for resurfacing Gowlands Terrace is progressing. It is hoped to have dates for this shortly. Ongoing <i>Other items already circulated or below at AOB.</i></p>	
12	<p>AOB Council Members/Members of the Public</p>	
	<p>Old Cemetery: Councillor Clark informed that he had received a report of overgrown grass at the Old Cemetery. He had reported it to the appropriate SAC section and CS had confirmed the complaint had been rectified very speedily.</p> <p>Barrhill Fun Day: Tug of War: The BMHCA Chair hoped that The CC would enter a team for this event. There were no volunteers.</p> <p>SPEN: Chirmorie Connection: Public Exhibition to be held on Wednesday, 4th July between 2-6.30pm in the Memorial Hall.</p> <p>Carrick Futures Members: CS informed that David Bowling no longer wished to be a member of Carrick Futures. There are now 2 vacancies and ASc and KMCL agreed to become members. CS to inform Foundation Scotland.</p> <p>Planning & Licensing Contacts: The naming of CC representatives for this had been inadvertently missed at the AGM on 31st May. It was agreed that the status quo should remain i.e. Planning contact CS and Licensing contact DR. SAC to be informed of all contacts.</p> <p>Martyrs' Tomb: CS had contacted Jim Faulds again—a response is awaited.</p> <p>A77 Roundtable Meeting: JD and ASc reported on the latest roundtable meeting held at Dailly two days previously. It transpired that contrary to information given out by Police Scotland, it was possible for communities to carry out their own speed monitoring, a pilot scheme having been carried out in Fife. The necessary speed gun equipment was available for communities to use. It was agreed that this would be deployed in four communities initially: Lendalfoot, Barrhill, Colmonell and Pinwherry, once training has been given. It would be possible for Barrhill to have its own equipment, but the Police would still require this to be kept in Girvan. Offenders would initially receive a letter, then a second, and if offending for a third time, a summons would be issued.</p> <p>To operate the speed gun there would preferably be five volunteers, for whom JD already has names. It is hoped that machines will be in place, training completed, and police disclosures carried out, by the end of September.</p> <p>PH informed that at the first full meeting of the new Council the following day, 29th June, he was confident that a motion to put in place a speed limit of 20mph in all villages in South Ayrshire would be carried. Proposed controls e.g. speed bumps, would be installed in consultation with village communities, Police Scotland, and ARA. The Scottish Minister for Transport, Humza Housaf is to visit South Ayrshire to hear the concerns over the A77 etc for himself. The A77 and other roads e.g. diversion routes, will be visited.</p> <p>PH referred to the way SAC staff under the previous administration had contributed to the ARA, with very little input compared with the lead authority, East Ayrshire Council. He assured that in future SAC input would be much greater and completely different under the new administration and there would most definitely be changes.</p> <p>ASc referred to the presentations/reviews on the state of roads, the A77 and A714, by the three bodies of Transport Scotland, ARA and Transerve. He again referred to the poor state of the section of the A714 near Corwar, which badly needed attention. The work required, road marking and verge markers, is scheduled to soon take place.</p> <p>The prospect of allowing only cars to use the A714 diversion in the event of closure of the A77 had been brought up for discussion. In this scenario, HGVs would be taken in convoy along the A77 and not allowed onto the A714. JD and ASc had suggested that Transport Scotland and Transerve should drive this route and view it for themselves before seeking to closure the A77. It transpired that a recent consultation on a proposed closure was only open for 7 days, which is not nearly enough time for responses. PH stressed the importance of the public making its feelings known by using the website.</p> <p>Regarding speeding, JD further informed that the enforceability of speed limits must be discussed with the Police. There are guidelines regarding what is tolerated over the 20mph limit.</p> <p>SAC Full Council Meeting PH informed that the Gala Day funding has been re-instated, which will be ratified at the full SAC meeting tomorrow. The financial position of SAC was</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>CS</p>

	<p>serious, in that insufficient account had been taken by the previous administration of money required for the coming year, with both inflation and salaries being well above what had been pencilled in.</p> <p>He reminded of the Housing Forum event to be held at the Town Hall in Ayr on 4th July.</p> <p>Participatory Budgeting PH informed that there will be changes to this, expected to be brought in by September.</p> <p>Old Ballantrae Bridge Access to this is now considered dangerous and repairs have been estimated to be £480,000.</p> <p><i>The meeting closed at 9.10pm.</i></p>	
	<p>Date & Time of next meeting:</p>	
	<p><u>Wednesday 30th August 2017 at 7.00pm</u></p> <p>Other meetings in 2017:</p> <p>25th October</p> <p>29th November</p> <p>NB: There are no meetings in July, September & December.</p>	