

**APPROVED**

**BARRHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Meeting held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018 in**  
**Barrhill Primary School Hall, Barrhill at 7pm.**

No	Item	Action
	<b>Sederunt: Barrhill Community Council</b> Andrew Clegg (AC), Kenneth McLaren (KMcL), Ann Robertson (AR) (Vice-Chair & Treasurer), Andrew Sinclair (AS), Celia Strain (CS) (Secretary & Minute Taker), Johnnie Thomson (JT). AR in the Chair. <b>In Attendance:</b> No attendee present.	
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
	Councillor Ian Fitzsimmons (IF), Peter Linton (PL) (SCCL).	
<b>2</b>	<b>Police</b>	
	There was no Police presence at the meeting.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Speaker: Peter Linton, South Carrick Community Leisure</b> <b>Update: The Quay Zone</b>	
	PL had unfortunately cancelled, due to the weather. A new date to be arranged.	CS
<b>4</b>	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting of 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018</b>	
	These were approved: proposed by KMcL, seconded by JT.	
<b>5</b>	<b>Matters Arising from the Minutes</b>	
	<p><b>Item 4: Matters Arising:</b>  <b>Street Drains/Duisk Bridge:</b> No update in IF's absence, but after the previous meeting he had informed of his contact with ARA. ARA would investigate the ice up Knowe Road and ensure gritting is carried out. IF had no information from ARA re-flooding. CS had been informed recently by a resident that SEPA is now aware of the situation on <b>The Avenue</b> and plans to put a camera down the drains. Ongoing  <b>Quay Zone:</b> PL will attend when convenient to the CC. As there already is a speaker for the March meeting it was agreed to ask PL to address the April meeting.  <b>Litter on Verges:</b> AS had still not received any information, despite chasing things up. He will try again but all agreed it was a most unsatisfactory situation.  <b>Item 5: Treasurer's report:</b> AR had not yet arranged the extra signatory.  <b>Item 7: Planning Applications:</b> IF had endeavoured to obtain this information, but the official who dealt with it was absent from work. Ongoing  <b>Item 8: Small Grant Application:</b> The cheque awarded to the South Carrick First Responders at the last meeting had been held back until Carrick Futures had clarified matters with regard to multiple applications submitted to CCs. The outcome was that CF had advised the First Responders to withdraw the multiple applications and submit one large one to CF for the whole amount required. CF advised Peter Walker to contact CCs accordingly. Noted  <b>Item 9: Resignations/Elections:</b> Notices had been displayed in the village and emailed out to contacts. (See Item 10, Correspondence &amp; Item 11, AOB)  <b>Item 10: Road Repairs/Closures:</b> No information on IF's enquiry re- shoddy pothole repairs. AR had emailed Kevin Braidwood re-road closures but to date had not received any response.  <i>(Other items on the agenda)</i></p>	<p>IF</p> <p>CS AS</p> <p>AR</p> <p>IF</p> <p>IF</p>
<b>6</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	
	AR reported the balance in the bank was currently £4,488.00. This amount includes the sum of £3348 just received from Carrick Futures, following the approval of the application for funding to repair the Martyrs' Tomb. With regard to the War Memorial, the final payment had now been made to William Waugh & Sons on completion of the project. The balance in the CF Small Grants fund is now £3,756-13p, following clearance of 2 cheques. Since the War Memorial project commenced, of total funding of £34,760.60p received, to date approx. £26,500 has been paid out, with £8K still in the bank to cover cheques still to clear. AR was thanked for her report.	
<b>7</b>	<b>Updates</b>	
	<p>a) <b>BCIC:</b> JT reported on the recent meeting, the main items being:  <b>Memorial Hall</b> BCIC is working with the BMHCA committee and discussions are ongoing</p>	

	<p>between them regarding the future of the Memorial Hall once the refurbishment has been completed. It is anticipated that matters will be placed under one umbrella in future with the bodies working together, possibly with the BCIC running it. Ongoing <b>Development Officer</b> This post is to be advertised.</p> <p><b>Director Vacancies</b> There are still vacancies on the Board. JT confirmed as Chair.</p> <p><b>b) Carrick Futures (CF):</b> AC reported on the recent CF AGM meeting he and AS had attended, along with 2 Barrhill members. It had taken a different format this year with presentations invited from groups to compete for a £1,000 award. The previous ordinary meeting was a funding round, with numerous grants awarded. Amongst these were approvals for the CC's application for £3348 to repair the Martyrs' Tomb and also for Barrhill Bowling Club's application for £6,200 for a project to commence on 1<sup>st</sup> March to set up a scarifying scheme. This is for a 1 year contract to employ a ground care company to carry out monthly inspections of the bowling green and take any necessary action. AS also informed that the CF Board had made the decision to put £50K into an endowment fund, looking to the future.</p> <p><b>c) CCCF/South Ayrshire Health &amp; Social Care Partnership</b>  <b>Locality Planning</b> CS had been unable to attend the 14<sup>th</sup> February meeting as it clashed with the CF AGM. No minutes were available yet but agenda items had included the introduction of the new Community Engagement Officer, Chic Martindale; Update on the Community Plan by SAC's Valerie Stewart; Review of Girvan &amp; South Carrick's HSCP's priorities; and a Report on the Ayrshire Transport Summit.</p> <p><b>d) War Memorial/Martyrs' Tomb</b>  AC informed that William Waugh &amp; Sons had now completed the War Memorial work, with the exception that they will come back when the weather improves to mortar one joint. CS informed that she had emailed several people enquiring if the Community Payback scheme could be used to clear the Martyrs' Tomb path, using contact details given by Cllr Henderson. No replies have been received. Information from elsewhere suggests that Community Payback work is not carried out where the land is privately owned. The priority is to at least regain access to the Tomb itself. The landowner is willing for this to be done, but not keen to reinstate the path up the hill in view of repeated vandalism to the stone dyke. There was a suggestion of creating a path beside the burn, which would avoid walking up the hill, adjacent to the stone dyke. CS will seek the views of the landowner.</p> <p><b>e) Kilgallioch Windfarm:</b> AS reported on the <b>Launch of Community Benefit Fund</b> that took place in Stranraer on 8<sup>th</sup> February. He and AR, the 2 directors, had attended along with CS. It had been well attended with representatives from CCs in Wigtownshire and in South Carrick. It had been an interesting and informative event and groups were encouraged to apply for funding for projects. Another 4 directors are still sought and there have been 14 applicants. The successful applicants will be appointed on 9<sup>th</sup> April.</p> <p><b>f) Patient Participation Group:</b> KMcl had attended this at the Ballantrae Surgery. He informed of a change in the surgery opening hours from 1<sup>st</sup> April. Surgery hours will be 8.30am to 6pm on Monday and 8.30am to 5.30pm Tues-Fri. CS will circulate poster received to all on the CC's contact list. (Barrhill hours not affected.)  Another item discussed was the matter of some medicines not being funded by the NHS. First Responders in Carrick were also discussed, with an update given. They are presently located in Girvan, Colmonell and Barrhill.</p>	CS
<b>8</b>	<b>Planning Applications</b>	
	CS reported no applications for Barrhill and nothing on the latest decisions list.	
<b>9</b>	<b>Small Grant Applications</b>	
	<p><b>Barrhill Craft Group</b>  Funding of £464 was applied for, to cover the costs of Club members' outing to the Creative Craft Show in Glasgow on 11<sup>th</sup> March (mini-bus hire and 16 entry tickets) and also the first 2 months' rental costs of the school hall for meetings. AR declared an interest in this matter as she is a club member and took no part in the decision. After discussion, it was unanimously agreed to approve the costs of £426 for the outing, but not the £38 hall rental costs as it was felt that the members' fees adequately covered these costs.</p>	
<b>10</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	
	<p><b>SAC:</b> Update on hours of the <b>Mobile Library</b> –poster on notice board at the shop.  <b>NHS Ayrshire &amp; Arran:</b> Numerous items received, including information on <b>Disability</b></p>	

	<p><b>Access Panels; Epilepsy Futures &amp; Support Groups; Disability Equality News;</b> and <b>Ayrshire Cancer Support.</b></p> <p><b>SAC By-Election Information and forms:</b> CS had circulated and posted the information and was aware that 2 nomination forms had been received.</p> <p><b>HAGS:</b> Leaflet on playground equipment.</p> <p><b>SAC: Altercannoch Appeal:</b> Notification of appeal against the windfarm application refusal. Reminders were made of the following, previously circulated:</p> <p><b>SAC Licensing Board Consultation:</b> Policy being reviewed.</p> <p><b>Strengthening our Communities Workshop:</b> Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March in Girvan.</p> <p><b>CCTV in Public Places:</b> Consultation ends Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.</p> <p><b>Reckless Driving Wrecks Lives:</b> To be held in the Odeon in Ayr on 5/6 &amp; 7<sup>th</sup> March.</p> <p><b>Keep Britain Tidy Event:</b> Information received.</p> <p><i>Other items already circulated or below at AOB.</i></p>	
11	<p><b>AOB Council Members/Members of the Public</b></p>	
	<p>AC raised the matter of another <b>Heartstart course</b>, following the successful one organised by the CC over 2 years ago. AR had also been approached about this. CS understood that the Ballantrae Surgery intend holding one soon and had already enquired if one could be held in Barrhill and not just Ballantrae. This was not likely, however. CS to make further enquiries, although it was agreed that it would be preferable to hold it in the Memorial Hall.</p> <p>JT informed that the latest <b>BCIC Newsletter</b> will be distributed shortly.</p> <p><b>Foodbins:</b> AC queried why he had not received one of the new bins and felt that those residents outside Main Street were not treated equally. CS to ask IF re-criteria for foodbins.</p> <p><b>B7027:</b> AC also referred to the appalling state of this road in several places and he and AS mentioned a section near the corner before Burnside where the mesh was now exposed. CS will pass on.</p> <p><b>Former Arnsheen Church:</b> All had noticed the work currently occurring following the sale of the former church building. AS expressed concern about safety with large machinery on-site.</p> <p><b>SPEN Update:</b> Latest update received from Colin Wylie, SPEN's Community Relations Manager. Final discussions are taking place and a firm date for commencing the resurfacing of Gowlands Terrace is expected to be announced soon. Regarding the problem with water pouring down the station road, SAC are apparently aware of 'wider historical issues'. Ongoing</p> <p><b>Constitution Review:</b> CS had finally received clarification from SAC regarding the wording of the Barrhill CC Constitution. They had concluded that the number of 8 members, below which the CC is to be disbanded, had been a mistake for '5', but recommended the Constitution be amended, explaining the procedure for this. AC then submitted a written request for the Constitution to be changed in regard to member numbers. AC will review the Constitution and contact CS. Other matters may also need amending e.g. month of AGM. Ongoing</p> <p><b>Artnoch Woodland:</b> JT raised the question of Tilhill Forestry's woodland creation at Artnoch, which now appeared to be finished. When the CC had been addressed on the plans (two years ago) the CC had welcomed the potential creation of public access to create walks in the area. To date there was no sign of this. CS to contact Tilhill Forestry.</p> <p><b>New Cemetery:</b> KMCL queried the situation re-the waiting room at the New Cemetery. The situation has not changed since it was last mentioned—the work is scheduled to be carried out during the 2018/19 financial year.</p> <p><b>A77 Closures:</b> It was noted there are to be overnight closures of the A77, in various locations. The one affecting Barrhill, which will see traffic re-routed once again onto the unsuitable A714, is scheduled for 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> March.</p> <p><i>The meeting closed at 8.50pm.</i></p>	<p>CS</p> <p>CS/IF</p> <p>CS</p> <p>AC/CS</p> <p>CS</p>
	<p><b>Date &amp; Time of next meeting:</b></p>	
	<p><b><u>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.00pm</u></b></p> <p><b>Other meetings in 2018:</b></p> <p><b>25<sup>th</sup> April</b></p> <p><b>30<sup>th</sup> May</b></p> <p><b>27<sup>th</sup> June</b></p> <p><b>29<sup>th</sup> August</b></p> <p><b>31<sup>st</sup> October</b></p> <p><b>28<sup>th</sup> November</b></p> <p><b>NB: There are no meetings in July, September &amp; December.</b></p>	

