## BARRHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Meeting held on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018 in Barrhill Memorial Hall, Barrhill at approx. 7.30pm following the AGM.

No	Item	Action
140	Sederunt: Barrhill Community Council Andrew Clegg (AC) (Treasurer), Robert Houstin	ACTION
	(RH), Pearl McGibbon (PMcG), Kenneth McLaren (KMcL), Ann Robertson (AR) (Chair), Celia	
	Strain (CS) (Secretary & Minute Taker), Johnnie Thomson (JT).	
	In Attendance: Councillor Ian Fitzsimmons (IF) (SAC), 1 Member of the public.	
1	Apologies for Absence	
•	Andrew Sinclair (AS)	
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2	Police	
	The Police were not in attendance.	
3	Minutes of Previous Meeting of 25 <sup>th</sup> April, 2018	
	These were approved: proposed by AC, seconded by PMcG.	
4	Matters Arising from the Minutes	
	Item 5: Matters Arising:	
	Street Drains: IF had returned to the village after the previous meeting and carried out a	
	thorough inspection of the area. He had then emailed ARA but is still awaiting a response, as	IF
	is AC, who had also reported the blocked drains outside Nos. 57 and 69. Ongoing	"
	B7027/Road Repairs: Kevin Braidwood is unable to attend the CC meeting in June but has	
	agreed to attend in August. Noted	
	The Avenue Flooding. It transpired that the cause of this flooding was discovered after ARA	
	finally put a camera down to investigate. A piece of apparatus had been left in the drain,	
	completely blocking it. Neither Scottish Water nor ARA admitted liability for this. It is hoped the	
	problem is now solved - there has not been any heavy rain since. It was agreed by all,	
	including IF, that the problem should have been rectified long ago.	
	Planning Application: IF had no further information on this and re-iterated what he had	
	previously been informed by the Planning Manager regarding the Gowlands development,	IF
	which would be subject to the decision of the Local Review body, if a refusal was appealed.	
	Litter on Verges: AS had informed that he had phoned Paul Dougall twice and left a	
	message, all to no avail and hoped IF had fared better. IF too had received no response but	
	will pursue the matter.	IF
	Kevin Braidwood had informed CS the litter problem was within Waste Management's remit	
	and advised contacting Tommy Howieson. She has done so and is awaiting a reply. IF	
	informed that TH is based in Girvan and he will speak to him.	IF
	Treasurer's report: AR had resigned as Treasurer at the preceding AGM. Paperwork will be	
	completed prior to handing over to AC, the new Treasurer. Ongoing	AR
	Martyrs' Tomb: CS anticipated hearing soon from Walter Brown Builders in regard to	
	commencing work on the Tomb. Late May/June had been given as the possible start dates.	
	(Reply from Forestry commission Scotland, previously circulated, informed that FCS does not	
	undertake path work not on its ground and that the volunteer programme, which originally	
	upgraded the path, has ceased.) AR will consider writing to the landowner regarding the	AR
	restoration of the path. JT informed that BCIC would not consider path work unless it was a	
	'right of way.'	
	Artnoch Woodland: No further information yet from Tilhill Forestry. Ongoing	AC
	Constitution Review: The resolution had been approved at the preceding AGM and CS will	
	forward the amendments to Marie Welsh at SAC.	CS
	Speaker, Peter Linton: Update on Quay Zone: PL will now attend in October, following	
	further complications in arranging a suitable date.	
	Item 6: Treasurer's Report: AC had investigated costs of litter picking equipment and,	
	following members' emailed approval, ordered and received it. He will advertise availability for	
	anyone who wishes to collect this and carry out litter-picking. It was agreed to do this rather	
	than have an organised litter-pick. The member of the public who regularly litter-picked, would	
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	Welcome anyone willing to join her.  Item 8: Planning Applications: CS had enquired re-the lack of Decision Lists—SAC apologised for the omissions. The April Decisions had been sent out, but not the missing ones.  Item 9: Correspondence: SPR: CS had received further correspondence from Gillian Arnot re-the event in Glasgow – any presentation format is acceptable - but no-one from either the CC or BCIC is able to attend. CS to inform Gillian.  Item 10: AOB: Bench seats: These had been discussed at the BCIC meeting. See below at Item 6a) Updates: BCIC.  Flower Tubs: CS had been informed by SAC that plants will again be delivered and the Primary School is again willing to plant out. (Tribute was paid at the AGM to the late Annie Duffie, for all her valuable help with this.)  (Other items on the agenda)	CS
5	Treasurer's Report	
	AR apologised that she had not been able to print off her last Treasurer's report and will email this out to CC members ASAP. She informed that the only difference from last month was the £100 for the two £50 donation cheques to the Craft Club and the Bowling Club, which came under the last financial year. As she informed the AGM, she has resigned as Treasurer but will ensure the paperwork necessary for the change of name to the new Treasurer is in order. AC's name will require to be added to the list of signatories and KMcL's also, to ensure there are sufficient members able to co-sign cheques. At present only AR and CS can do so. There is currently £8,294.13 in the bank, as stated last month, of which £3,348 is the CF grant for the Martyrs' Tomb. The accounts will soon be submitted to SAC for auditing. AR was thanked for her report.	AR
6	Updates	
	<ul> <li>a) BCIC: JT, PMcG and KMcL reported on the latest meeting:         Memorial Hall: The transfer of the Memorial Hall to the BCIC has now been completed.         Benches: It was agreed to purchase benches for the use of all in the community.         Hall Fees: These had been the subject of lengthy discussions, with input from KMcL and the former Memorial Hall committee. See below         Snagging Points: There are regrettably still a number of outstanding matters.         (Hall Fees were then discussed by the CC, several members being concerned at the large increase in the cost of hiring the Hall, from £9 per hour to £12. AR felt that some groups would have difficulty in meeting these costs, in spite of the BCIC's idea that they could apply to the CC's CF Small Grant Scheme to cover rental costs. She was of the opinion that a cap should be put in place and that different rates could be charged to accommodate groups that cannot afford the increased costs. CS and AR raised the subject of affiliation fees, like those in place at Colmonell. AC informed that the Badminton Club's fees for the School Hall had now been raised by SAC to £11, from the £9.50 per hour incurred during the refurbishment, which is less than that proposed by BCIC for the Memorial Hall. While it is understood why BCIC feel the need to charge fees, there was considerable disquiet regarding the amount of the proposed increase, considering all the Windfarm Community Benefit Funds received by BCIC.)</li></ul>	
	£10K for part funding for an engagement officer.  c) South Ayrshire Health & Social Care Partnership Locality Planning: CS had attended the 9 <sup>th</sup> May meeting. Included in points discussed were:  Consultation Events Update: There was disappointment that these, at 6 localities, had not been better attended. It was felt that there could have been more publicity. 20 attended the Girvan event, which, like the others, was not a 'drop-in' event as seemed to be expected.  Communications: It is hoped to produce a newsletter 4 times per year.	

	<ul> <li>Participatory Budgeting: Funding for this would not be as generous from now on.</li> <li>Community Engagement Event: This takes place at Girvan Academy on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June. It is hoped many will attend, the aim is to have a 'safer, friendlier and healthier Girvan and South Carrick.</li> <li>South Carrick First Responders: There have been 38 call-outs since December and there are now 10 fully trained Community First Responders, with more undergoing training and radios now in use. JT then informed the CC that there has unfortunately been a delay in providing defibrillators, with the Barrhill First Responder still to obtain one. The Scottish</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Ambulance Service is having difficulties in obtaining a supply, due to heavy demand.</li> <li>d) War Memorial/Martyrs' Tomb: The War Memorial can now be deleted from the agenda. Martyrs' Tomb previously discussed above at Item 4, Matters Arising.</li> </ul>	
	e) Kilgallioch Windfarm: AR informed that the Board's directors had attended an induction on 16th May and welcomed the 4 additional directors: Nick Walker, Whithorn; Mhairi McKenna, Ballantrae; Peter Smithers, Newton Stewart; and Sheila Hainey, Portpatrick. These 4 were appointed recently from 14 applicants and the Board has now held its first meeting. The final number of applications for the first funding round reached 90. £140K of funding will be allocated and it is anticipated 3 meetings will be required, to be held on 11th, 12th and 13th June.	
7	Planning Applications	
	There had been no applications for Barrhill since the previous meeting and nothing on the April Decisions List.	
8	Small Grant Applications	
	Barrhill Primary School It was agreed to consider a very late application, received that day	
	by AR, for £500 to fund the cost of transport and entrance fees for the Primary School's	
	annual trip to Heads of Ayr Farm Park. This was unanimously approved but CS was instructed to point out to the applicant that in future such a late application might not be considered.	CS
9	Correspondence	
-	HAGS: Sports facilities leaflet.	
	SAC: Primary School Hall Let Invoice: Further demands sentCS visited the SAC service	
	centre while in Ayr, which finally remedied matters and apologised.	
	NHS: Information re-Kilmarnock Dementia Resource Centre and Disability Equality Scotland.	
	GLASDON: Brochure re- Village gateways.	
	EDF Stranoch 2 Wind Farm Community Investment Opportunity: Invitation to register an	
	interest in shared ownership. Agreed this is not within the CC's remit and it was passed on to JT for the BCIC to consider.	
	In addition to above, emails included:	
	ARA: Request to support joint bid for Timber Transport funding—support emailed.	
	Rural Wisdom Get-together: Carrick Centre, Maybole, 27th June.	
	SAC Community Planning Partnership Workshop: Support for People with Dementia and	
	their Carers – County Buildings, Ayr 19 <sup>th</sup> June, 10am-12n.	
	SPEN: Gowlands Terrace Re-surfacing work: Update from Colin Wylie regarding resurfacing of Gowlands Terrace informed that SPEN, prior to commencing the works, had	
	notified ARA that the quality of the resurfacing would be affected by the historic problem of	
	water run-off from the cemetery. ARA reacted quickly for once and arranged for the water	
	issue to be dealt with in tandem with the resurfacing work. All are relieved that the re-	
40	surfacing has now been completed, at long last.	
10	AOB Council Members/Members of the Public	
	<b>Speed Activated Signs</b> It was noted that the sign at the Girvan end of the village is still not working and it was some time since SAC had informed it was waiting for a software update. IF	IF
	will investigate. A member of the public was assured that the sign at the other end of the	
	village, on Main Street, is definitely operational.	
	Reminder of Community Engagement Event 'Fun & Information Day' at Girvan Academy on	
	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> June between 10am – 2pm.  **Abandoned Car** RH reported this car had been at the rail station since 7 <sup>th</sup> March. AR will	AR
	contact the Police.	
	Walks RH had been asked to enquire as to the possibility of creating more walks around	
	Barrhill, in particular beside the river. JT referred to the fact that the Martyrs' Tomb walk is now	

unavailable and should be re-instated. It is known that the landowner is not willing to do this in view of the considerable vandalism carried out over the years, including damaged stone dykes and fires being set/trees burnt.

AR reported that she had suggested to BCIC that the Lennie Wood proposal is re-visited. **20mph Speed Limit in Village** AR informed she had been given an update on this matter following work recently done by an SAC official, who had been seen inspecting the roads and their environs in the village. This official was marking out and measuring and will come back to consult the community as to the best option for speed calming measures. During his work a speed survey had been carried out, which showed lorries averaging 24mph and cars 27mph. These results were greeted with some scepticism.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

## Date & Time of next meeting:

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.00pm

Other meetings in 2018:

29<sup>th</sup> August

31<sup>st</sup> October

28th November

NB: There are no meetings in July, September & December.