BARRHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Meeting held on Wednesday 31st January 2018 in Barrhill Primary School Hall, at 7.00pm.

No	Item	Action
	Sederunt: Barrhill Community Council Andrew Clegg (AC), Kenneth McLaren (KMcL),	
	Ann Robertson (AR) (Vice-Chair & Treasurer), Andrew Sinclair (AS), Celia Strain (CS)	
	(Secretary & Minute Taker), Johnnie Thomson (JT), PCs Gordon Thomson (GT) & Neil	
	Emmerson (NE) (Girvan & South Carrick Community Policing Team).	
	In Attendance: SAC Councillor Ian Fitzsimmons (IF), 2 Members of the public (1 entered at	
	8pm). AR chaired the meeting.	
1	Apologies for Absence	
	None received.	
2	Police	
	Item further down the agenda.	
3	Minutes of Previous Meeting of 29 th November 2017	
	These were approved: proposed by AC, seconded by KMcL	
4	Matters Arising from the Minutes	
	Item 4: Matters Arising	
	Street Drains: PH was looking into this matter, and IF will discuss the matter with him. It was	
	noted, however, that drains are still blocked in spite of some work being carried out in the Main	
	Street. AC informed that some drains up Knowe Road have been cleared.	
	JT reported a continued problem near High Altercannoch, at the site of a previous road	
	accident. The renewed flooding at the site, where a culvert had previously been blocked for	
	months, led to a stretch of ice during the recent cold weather, causing numerous accidents. JT	
	had pulled vehicles out of the ditch with his tractor. IF will investigate.	IF
	The drain still overflows at the Bowling Green crossroads after heavy rain, resulting in a river	IF
	of water flowing down <i>The Avenue</i> . Information was received that the drain had been cleared.	
	Duisk Bridge/A714: AR reported the continued flooding just south of the bridge, where new	
	drainage was installed. IF informed that ARA are forming a work squad to operate from	
	Girvan to survey the Carrick roads and carry out repairs where necessary. Noted with interest.	
	Salt/Grit Bins: No further communication had been received and it is understood that a	
	Wallace Terrace resident had to make numerous calls to ARA in order to have the salt bins,	
	which had been completely empty for days during the bad weather, filled up. This was most	
	unsatisfactory and IF will raise the matter with Kevin Braidwood.	IF
	Activated Speed Sign: Still awaiting delivery of the final part.	
	Woodland Creation Proposals – Carrick Mill: A formal reply had been received, clarifying	
	the points raised by the CC. CS will acknowledge.	CS
	Quay Zone: AR had spoken with Peter Linton, who is still willing to give an update. CS will	CS
	invite him to attend the February meeting.	
	SPEN Update: The latest update had been received that day. Contract about to be signed for	
	resurfacing—date will be notified soon.	
	Item 7(g) Updates: Litter on Verges: AS had not yet received any information. He will	AS
	pursue this.	
	Item 10: Correspondence: Local Development Plan Consultation: AS was unable to	
	attend this.	
•	The Police then entered the meeting.	
2	Police	
	PC Thomson reported 14 calls since the last CC meeting. These had been as follows:	
	10 Controlled Shoots, 1 Road Traffic Collision, 1 Fire (no Police action), 1 Assistance to a	
	member of the public; and 1 Call for Pothole. There were no questions.	
_	GT and NE were thanked for their report then left the meeting.	
5	Treasurer's Report	ļ
	AR reported the balance in the bank is £7,046.50 but 3 cheques are still to clear. These	

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	include one for the £50 donation to the Playgroup, which is now out of date as more than 6 months has passed since its issue. £2,315.60 is the bank balance for the CC funds and £4,137 in the Carrick Futures Small Grants fund. Of this latter, £3,527.13 is still available once the outstanding cheques have cleared. The Badminton Club's grant and that for the Barrhill Arnsheen Gardening Society bulbs have not yet been paid out. Another invoice for tools for the latter has just been submitted There is still a balance to be paid for the War Memorial and matters to be finalised with the	
	War Memorial Trust Scotland. The Carrick Futures money for this is still being held. AR informed that following DR's resignation, he would require to be removed from the list of	
	signatories for signing cheques, only she and CS are now able to do so, and asked for more signatories. KMcL agreed to become one. AR will organise.	AR
	All thanked AR for her report.	
6	Updates	
	a) BCIC: JT reported that the next meeting will be held on the 13 th February. The matter of appointing a Development Officer is still being pursued. There are 2 options re- this: to either appoint a company or a self-employed individual. The first instalment (>£70K) of funding from the Kilgallioch Windfarm had now been	
	received. The next instalment will be more.	
	The refurbishment of the Memorial Hall will require the major part of BCIC funds. There are now 3 Director vacancies, following more resignations. These have been advertised on Facebook. As not all are on Facebook it was suggested that a poster advert could also be placed in the village. KMcL has agreed to be co-opted on to the Board.	
	 b) Carrick Futures (CF): AC informed that there is a funding meeting on 7th February, then the AGM on14th February, at which there will be presentations for the award of £1,000 of funding. CF will soon investigate the issue of transportation systems. Foundation Scotland had queried if the CC wished to fill the vacant 10th member place on CF – to be left till the AGM, but it does not have to be filled by a CC member. 	
	c) South Ayrshire Health & Social Care Partnership Neither DR nor CS was able to attend the last 2 meetings. According to minutes received, the main issues at the 13 th December meeting were: Hillcrest; a discussion of Local Drug and Alcohol Issues; Youth Participatory Budgeting (now to be held on 24 th February); PB event in Colmonell (now fixed for 17 th March); and a report on South Carrick First Responders. The 10 th Japuary 2018 meeting concentrated on the future priorities of the HSCP Crown	
	The 10 th January 2018 meeting concentrated on the future priorities of the HSCP Group. AR asked if anyone could attend meetings in DR's place –no volunteer.	
	d) War Memorial	
	AC reported that this project has now been completed and he is waiting to hear if the War Memorial Trust has approved the grant.	
	<i>Martyrs' Tomb</i> The result of the Grant Application to CF will be known soon. A member of the public enquired if the footpath is to be cleared as there is no access to the Tomb, not even from the station road end, as the ground is blocked by branches and muddy areas, a result of the tree felling. CS to contact the Community Payback Scheme to seek	CS
	 assistance in restoring the footpath to ensure access to the Tomb. <i>Kilgallioch Windfarm:</i> AS reported that it will be April before the windfarm is fully operational, due to structural teething problems. The Board hopes that the members of the Community Fund will attend the AGMs in future years. 	
	<i>Launch of the Kilgallioch Community Benefit Fund</i> This takes place on Thursday 8 th February and as all CC members are fund members it is hoped some will accompany AS and AR, the CC's two Directors, to the launch. An advert has been placed in the local press for another 4 directors from South Carrick or Wigtownshire.	ALL
7	Planning Applications	
	December Decisions List - Application from EDF Energy for a Proposed Anemometer mast to the north west of Loch Maberry was approved. Planning applications: Week ending 19/1/18: Prior notification from Potanow Forestry LLP for a Proposed Forestry Access Road at U28 - From B7027 at Lochmaberry Cottage - East To County Boundary. Week ending 25/1/18: Vodafone submitted prior notification for the installation of telecommunications apparatus at the mast off Main Street.	
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	Application outwith the Barrhill AreaFrom EE for the Erection of a Telecommunications	
	mast at Kilpatrick, Pinmore.	
	Reliable information had been received that the application for renewal of planning consent for	
	a housing development at Gowlands Terrace, previously refused, had now been approved,	
	though no concrete information had been seen. IF will investigate and explained that if an	IF
	applicant met the outstanding conditions required, approval can be given under delegated	
	powers.	
8	Small Grant Applications	
	Girvan & South Carrick Community First Responders	
	The application for £500 to fund kit bags was approved unanimously.	
	CS informed that KMcL had kindly agreed to take over the maintenance checks of the PAD	
	since JD's decision to discontinue this. DR had carried out the last check and will show KMcL	
	how it is done. JT informed that Barrhill now has a fully qualified First Responder and that the	
	BCIC will be providing a kit bag.	
9	Resignations/Elections	
	The resignation, for personal reasons, of Dave Russell from both the Chair and CC was	
	deeply regretted by all. Tributes were paid to the sterling work carried out by him during his	
	tenure and the thanks of the CC will be conveyed to him. DR's resignation resulted in 3	
	vacancies now on the CC. SAC has just informed of the forthcoming By-elections, which will	~~
	be advertised locally, and will send nomination forms plus pre-paid envelopes. The closing	CS
	date is 22 nd February. It is hoped that 3 members of the community will come forward.	
	It had been discovered that wording in the Barrhill CC Constitution states that if numbers fall	
	below 8 the CC is disbanded, but SAC disputes this, citing 5. Clarification is awaited. <i>Vacant Chair Position</i> AR, Vice-chair, has no wish to become Chair, unless she can	
	relinquish the Treasurer's position, and asked for a volunteer. No-one was willing to become	
	either Chair or Treasurer. AR will continue as acting Chair until the AGM.	
	The month of the AGM has also queried.	
10	Road Repairs/Closures	
	It was noted that the repairs carried out near Corwar were below standard, with tar being	
	scattered virtually as soon as the potholes were filled in. Square patches had not been cut out,	
	as occurs over the border in D & G - the difference in the quality of work very noticeable. IF	IF
	will raise this with KB. He again informed of the vehicle being sent to Girvan by ARA to survey	
	and repair roads. All agreed the affected section of road is in a worse condition than that near	
	Girvan currently being resurfaced. It was noted that the Ballochmorrie section was now	
	finished but there had been a number of complaints regarding the hour long delay in re-	
	opening the road at 3.30pm as indicated last Wednesday, then again on Monday, when the	
	Doctor was held up. There was also no mail collection on the Wednesday. AR will contact KB.	AR
11	Correspondence	
	Station 15 – Ayr Cancer Unit: AR informed there had been good news from a meeting on	
	Monday—the unit had been reprieved and will remain open.	
	NHS Ayrshire & Arran: Various information items –Community Support Newsletter; Open	
	Door Issue 47; Participation Network; and Disability Equality News.	
	SAC: Local Development Plan Consultation: Main Issues Report: Last day for comments. SAC: Community Skips: 2018 timetable received. CS to return the skip agreement form.	00
	SAC: Local Eligibility for Carers: Consultation ends 9 th February.	CS
	SAC: Balancing the Budget: Consultation ends 11 th February All encouraged to complete	ALL
	the online survey.	
	SAC: Consultation Event on New Licensing Policy: Reminder of this in Ayr on Friday.	
	A77 Action Group: Meeting in Stranraer on 6 th February.	
	VASA: Strengthening our Communities: Course to be held in Girvan on 21 st March.	
12	AOB Council Members/Members of the Public	
	GNPA: This organisation is keen to attend a CC meeting to give a presentation on the	
	proposed Galloway National Park and can do so in March. All agreed to this—CS will confirm.	CS
	SW Programme of Roadworks: AC queried why this was no longer sent—CS will contact	CS
	Mhairi McKenna.	
	Quay Zone Update: Peter Linton is still willing to attendinvite to the February CC meeting.	CS
	Colmonell Angling Club: AR queried if this club could apply to Barrhill CC for a small grant,	

as 3 members are Barrhill residents. Advice given that it could not.	
SAC Councillor's Report: IF reported that the SAC re-organisation is continuing. The	
proposed budgeting is still being prepared. Three of the top executives are leaving their posts	
in the reshuffle. The final date for commenting on the proposed budget is 11 th February and all	ALL
are encouraged to view the consultation document and comment on the difficult decisions to	
be made.	
Zurich Insurance: Zurich has been in touch with Community Councils regarding the renewal	
of the annual insurance policy. SAC's Insurance Department, which pays the insurance costs,	
is looking into this and will confirm details later.	
Memorial Hall KMcL informed that the Hall is not expected to open now before April. There	
is a list of 40 'snagging' points and the contractors have not yet started on these.	
The meeting closed at 9.15pm.	
Date & Time of next meetings:	
Wednesday 28 th February 2018 at 7.00pm in Barrhill Primary School Hall	
Other meetings in 2018 - venue to be confirmed.	
28 th March	
25 th April	
30 th May	
27 th June	
29 th August	
31 st October	
28 th November.	
There are no meetings in July, September & December.	