

APPROVED

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

No	Item	Action
	<p>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.</p>	
1	Apologies for Absence	
	None received.	
2	Police	
	Item further down the agenda.	
3	Minutes of Previous Meeting of 29th November 2017	
	These were approved: proposed by AC, seconded by KMcL	
4	Matters Arising from the Minutes	
	<p>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. The drain still overflows at the Bowling Green crossroads after heavy rain, resulting in a river of water flowing down The Avenue. 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. 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. Quay Zone: AR had spoken with Peter Linton, who is still willing to give an update. CS will 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 pursue this. Item 10: Correspondence: Local Development Plan Consultation: AS was unable to attend this. <i>The Police then entered the meeting.</i></p>	<p>IF IF IF CS CS AS</p>
2	Police	
	<p>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. <i>GT and NE were thanked for their report then left the meeting.</i></p>	
5	Treasurer's Report	
	AR reported the balance in the bank is £7,046.50 but 3 cheques are still to clear. These	

	<p>Application outwith the Barrhill Area ---From EE for the Erection of a Telecommunications mast at Kilpatrick, Pinmore.</p> <p>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 applicant met the outstanding conditions required, approval can be given under delegated powers.</p>	IF
8	Small Grant Applications	
	<p>Girvan & South Carrick Community First Responders</p> <p>The application for £500 to fund kit bags was approved unanimously.</p> <p>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.</p>	
9	Resignations/Elections	
	<p>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 date is 22nd February. It is hoped that 3 members of the community will come forward.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Vacant Chair Position 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.</p> <p>The month of the AGM has also queried.</p>	CS
10	Road Repairs/Closures	
	<p>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 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.</p>	IF AR
11	Correspondence	
	<p>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.</p> <p>NHS Ayrshire & Arran: Various information items –Community Support Newsletter; Open Door Issue 47; Participation Network; and Disability Equality News.</p> <p>SAC: Local Development Plan Consultation: Main Issues Report: Last day for comments.</p> <p>SAC: Community Skips: 2018 timetable received. CS to return the skip agreement form.</p> <p>SAC: Local Eligibility for Carers: Consultation ends 9th February.</p> <p>SAC: Balancing the Budget: Consultation ends 11th February All encouraged to complete the online survey.</p> <p>SAC: Consultation Event on New Licensing Policy: Reminder of this in Ayr on Friday.</p> <p>A77 Action Group: Meeting in Stranraer on 6th February.</p> <p>VASA: Strengthening our Communities: Course to be held in Girvan on 21st March.</p>	CS ALL
12	AOB Council Members/Members of the Public	
	<p>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.</p> <p>SW Programme of Roadworks: AC queried why this was no longer sent—CS will contact Mhairi McKenna.</p> <p>Quay Zone Update: Peter Linton is still willing to attend----invite to the February CC meeting.</p> <p>Colmonell Angling Club: AR queried if this club could apply to Barrhill CC for a small grant,</p>	CS CS CS

<p>as 3 members are Barrhill residents. Advice given that it could not.</p> <p>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 11th February and all are encouraged to view the consultation document and comment on the difficult decisions to be made.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p><i>The meeting closed at 9.15pm.</i></p>	<p>ALL</p>
<p>Date & Time of next meetings:</p>	
<p><u>Wednesday 28th February 2018 at 7.00pm in Barrhill Primary School Hall</u></p> <p>Other meetings in 2018 - venue to be confirmed.</p> <p>28th March</p> <p>25th April</p> <p>30th May</p> <p>27th June</p> <p>29th August</p> <p>31st October</p> <p>28th November.</p> <p><i>There are no meetings in July, September & December.</i></p>	