BARRHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Meeting held on Wednesday 27th February 2019 in Barrhill Memorial Hall, Barrhill at 7.00pm.

No	Item	Action
	Sederunt: Barrhill Community Council Andrew Clegg (AC) (Treasurer), Rod Ekern (RE),	
	Robert Houstin (RH), Pearl McGibbon (PMcG), Kenneth McLaren (KMcL) (Vice-Chair), Ann	
	Robertson (AR) (Chair), Celia Strain (CS) (Secretary & Minute Taker), Johnnie Thomson (JT).	
	In Attendance: Councillor Alec Clark (ACk) (SAC), PC Graeme Gordon (GG) (Girvan & South	
	Carrick Community Policing Team) and 3 Members of the public.	
1	Apologies for Absence	
	Andrew Sinclair (AS)	
2	Police	
	PC Gordon informed of 14 incidents between 30 th January and 27 th February. Nine of these	
	were planned shoots: 4 for a fallen tree and 1 incident for a missing person. There being no	
	questions, GG then informed that Sgt. McDowall is keen to publicise the campaign regarding	
	livestock worrying and handed out leaflets and posters to be distributed in the area. It is an	
	annual problem, with growing numbers of ewes and lambs being killed or injured by dogs.	
	Emma Harper MSP has recently launched a public consultation on livestock worrying prior to	
	introducing a Bill in the Scottish Parliament regarding countryside access controls. This would	
	hopefully ensure dog-owners keep their dogs on a lead while walking through fields containing	
	livestock. All agreed that livestock worrying is a serious problem caused by some dog owners	
	behaving irresponsibly. AR thanked GG, who then left the meeting.	
3	Minutes of Previous Meeting of 30 th January, 2019	
3	These were approved: proposed by KMcL, seconded by AC.	
4	Matters Arising from the Minutes	
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	Item 5: Matters Arising: CC Items allotted to ACk for action 20mph Scheme Proposals: ACk had relayed the CC's decision on this to Kevin Braidwood,	
	whose reply was previously circulated to members. Legislation is being checked and a	
	scheme progressed. <i>Police:</i> CS had received a response from Sgt. McDowall following the	
	previous CC meeting, who enquired as to current progress. He was informed of the results of	
	ACk's discussions with ARA.	
	Street Drains: It was noted that the drains at the south end of Main Street were cleaned out	
	last week, following the occurrence of further blockage, which was reported to Scottish Water	
	(SW) by several residents. Blocked Drain near Old Cemetery: CS had spoken to the SW	
	operator and he was going to check the overflow near the entrance to the Old Cemetery, but	
	noted this was not on Scottish Water's plans of Barrhill's drains covered by SW.	
	Speed Activated Signs: Ongoing	
	Martyrs' Tomb Path: ACk still to discuss this with Rachel Shipley. Ongoing	ACk
	Damaged Sign on Knowe Road: (from Item 12: AOB) It was thought this had been attended	
	to but JT informed the stub of the sign at Loch Maberry was still there. ACk will investigate.	ACk
	Road Bridge Painting: ACk will raise this with Kevin Braidwood.	ACk
	Item 4: Matters Arising: Constitution: Ongoing SCCL Leisure Cards: The next newsletter is not yet published.	CS
	Item 6: 20mph Scheme Proposals for Barrhill: See above	
	Item 8: Updates: a) BCIC New Planters: Following ACk's intervention JT had been in contact	
	with SAC regarding the supply of compost for the new planters. SAC will supply this, but	
	quantity not yet known or when delivery will take place. Ongoing	
	c) HSCP: CS informed that Sharron Connolly will attend the CC meeting on 27 th March.	
	It was noted that the Newsletter had finally been published and CS will email to members.	CS
	Item 11: Correspondence: Cold Comfort Event: RE will not now be attending this. An email	
	had recently been received from SAC concerning the lack of interest in this event tomorrow.	
	No CC member is inclined to attend.	
	Chirmorie Windfarm: Stewart Forsyth will attend the CC meeting on 27 th March.	
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		rtyrs' Tomb Renovations: SCMA not yet contacted. Ongoing	CS
		er matters on the agenda.	
5		asurer's Report	
		informed that all had now been finalised and transferred to AC, who then gave the	
		ort. He informed that the annual £5K from Carrick Futures for the Small Grants payments is	
		<i>i</i> in the bank account <i>(as is the admin grant for this financial year).</i> The CC's bank balance	
		urrently £1,129.94. The new balance of the CF grant money is £5,306.93.	
		was thanked for his report.	
	SA	C: Zurich Insurance: CS informed that SAC now required all CCs to send the renewal	
	che	ques direct to Zurich - they will then be reimbursed. CS to forward information to ACk.	CS
6	Upo	dates	
		BCIC: JT reported on the latest meeting:	
	۵,	Grant Application: A funding application has been made to Carrick Futures for part	
		funding towards the cost of the Hall Caretaker/Public Toilets cleaner/Village Handyman.	
		Open Day re: Purchase of Trout Inn: This took place on Saturday 9th February in the	
		Memorial Hall, with more than 40 residents attending. Survey sheets had also been	
		delivered to those who had not attended and the result so far showed 85% were in favour	
		of the pub being purchased by BCIC, with11% against and the remainder undecided. The	
		survey is open until the end of March. The outcome of the application for funding as a	
		charity is not yet known.	
		New Planters: See above at Matters Arising.	
		Film Night: The first film night had taken place with about 16 residents attending.	
		Winter Fuel Payments: JT reported that it appeared SPR were now questioning the	
		suitability of BCIC giving out the Winter Fuel Payments. After discussion on this it was	
		agreed that questions could be asked of SPR officials at the next day's Arecleoch PID.	
	h)	Carrick Futures: AC reported from the last meeting, which was a funding round. A	
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		number of grants were awarded, including to Girvan Folk Festival (£5K) and Ballantrae	
		Development Group (£3K for a trampoline and office equipment). Colmonell CC had	
		received a top-up of £2.5K to its £5K, but from now on any request for a top-up will have	
		to be applied for. The AGM, previously cancelled due to bad weather, finally took place in	
		Girvan on 14 th February.	
	c)	South Ayrshire Health & Social Care Partnership Locality Planning: CS attended the	
		meeting on 13 th February, when the following matters were discussed: <i>Update on Sexual</i>	
		Health Services: survey results available from Girvan – a leaflet will be produced later;	
		Girvan Town Team: the new Town Centre Project Officer appointed by SAC, Andrew	
		Downie, was introduced and gave a short talk on his role; <i>Participatory Budgeting:</i> 17	
		applicants had gone through to the next stage on 2 nd March, but 7 did not; HSCP admin	
		budget: there are queries regarding this in light of financial strains, but the current year's	
		accounts show a surplus of £4K, which has to be spent before 3st March. Discussions	
		followed on where to spend these funds; Newsletter: This is now ready to print;	
		Colmonell Consultation: Sharron informed that 150 leaflets were distributed and	
		discussions are taking place in regard to providing a vehicle to transport residents to the	
1		Doctors' Surgery in Ballantrae; <i>Pharmacies:</i> it is recommended that where possible,	
		patients be re-directed to pharmacy staff as an alternative to a doctor's appointment.	
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	Nothing pertaining to Barrhill on either the January Decisions List or any recent planning list.	
8	Small Grant Applications	
	Barrhill Craft Group: AR declared an interest in this application (PMcG is no longer a member), which was for funding to hire a mini-bus to enable members to attend the Creative Craft Show in Glasgow next month. The application for £300 was unanimously approved, with conditions. (See below)	
	Barrhill Wee Whist Club: AR apologised as she had been unable to scan this and send out to all and read out the application. She again declared an interest. The application for £300, for the cost of hiring the Memorial Hall for 20 whist drives between March 2019 and February	
	2020, was unanimously approved, with the following conditions. In line with current guidelines from Carrick Futures, of which AC informed the CC, it was agreed that in future invoices/receipts or explanatory report, which may be verbal, must be provided for all successful grant applications. CS to amend the Terms & Conditions form to reflect this.	CS
9	Correspondence	
9	SAC: CC Elections 2019: All CC members had now received their nomination forms and all	
	except AR had submitted them to SAC. Although CS had publicised that she had a supply of nomination forms with prepaid envelopes, no other resident had requested one. It transpired that RE was not eligible to apply for full membership as he is not a UK citizen. Enquiries showed that until such time as the 'Blue Book' is amended (a paper will be going to the Leadership Panel regarding this) a non-UK national could be appointed as a Specialist Cooptee. This will be a matter for the new CC, which is yet to be appointed, to discuss. <i>Carrick Walking & Cycling Routes Group:</i> AR had received another letter—with an invitation to attend the next meeting on 26th March, in the Carrick Buildings in Girvan. Cycling and walking will be discussed. RE volunteered to attend. AR will forward the letter. <i>SAC: Surveys:</i> Consultation on Fireworks in Scotland, and Rural Housing Needs Survey. <i>SAC Rural Forum:</i> First meeting of the new Rural Forum at Crosshill on Monday 11th March. RE and PMcG will attend for Barrhill. NHS Ayrshire & Arran: The Annual Review – 2pm on 18th March at Crosshouse Hospital. Other items emailed out.	RE/AR ALL RE/ PMcG
10	AOB Council Members/Members of the Public	
	Knowe Road: RH reported deep potholes along this road, between the village and	
	Drumlamford. ACk will report to ARA.	ACk
	Blocked Gully on A714: AC informed that following heavy rain there is a large area of water pooling on the road just south of the Duisk Bridge, south of the village. ACk will report to ARA. Patents for Hydro Schemes: RE informed of his proposed schemes regarding generating power from water. He is currently involved in discussions regarding Loch Ryan and will meet with SPR and with a Social Enterprise Company. He also proposes a scheme in the River Duisk behind the manse. He has registered patents for these projects and is prepared to give the patent rights to the village. He is also developing another scheme to plant an apple orchard, keeping bees and growing lavender, with a view to producing apple cider vinegar. He will shortly give a presentation to Wm. Grant & Co in Girvan. RE is seeking funding for these enterprises and informed that he had been denied the opportunity to give a presentation to the BCIC in relation to the Barrhill projects. He was now	ACk
	looking for advice on the way forward. A discussion then took place, with CC members naming various funding bodies that RE could apply to, with good wishes extended for success with the various projects. **SAC Budget:** ACk informed that this will be set tomorrow at the full Council meeting and it will be a balanced budget.	
	SPR: Arecleoch Windfarm Extension: Residents notified of the Public Information Day (PID) the following day in the Memorial Hall. Noted	
	Community Skip Schedule: AR had recently forwarded this—it was noted that Barrhill will receive skips seven times during 2019. CS to return the confirmation sheet. Fly Tipping near Loch Nahinnie: A member of the public reported rubbish in the layby near	CS ACk
	here on Knowe Road. AC will report this to ARA.	/.JK
	Blocked Drain on Main Street: Also reported by a member of the public was an overflowing downpipe/blocked drain outside No 9B Main Street. ACk will investigate. The meeting closed at 8.50pm	ACk

Date & Time of next meetings:	
Wednesday 27 th March 2019 at 7pm in the Memorial Hall. 24 th April, 29 th May (plus AGM), 26 th June, 28 th August, 30 th October, and 27 th November. NB: There are no meetings in July, September and December.	