

APPROVED

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

No	Item	Action
	Sederunt: Barrhill Community Council: Andrew Clegg (AC) (Treasurer), Robert Houston (RH), Celia Strain (CS) (Secretary & Minute Taker), Johnnie Thomson (JT) (Vice-Chair). In Attendance: Councillor Alec Clark (ACk) (SAC), 2 Members of the public. In the absence of a Chair due to KMcL's resignation, JT agreed to be Acting Chair for the meeting. No-one, however, was willing to be put forward for Chair. ACk advised that at the next meeting, a permanent Chair be appointed. Noted	
1	Apologies for Absence	
	Rod Ekern (RE), Pearl McGibbon (PMcG).	
2	Police	
	PC Steve Woodley had informed CS that he was unable to attend and had emailed through the report. Between 30 th October and 24 th November there were 20 incidents in the area. These were as follows: 15 Planned Shoots; 1 Concern for person; 1 Abandoned vehicle; 1 Animal; 1 Theft; and 1 Abandoned 999 call. 1 Crime report was raised.	
3	Minutes of Previous Meeting of 30th October, 2019	
	These were approved: proposed by RH, seconded by JT.	
4	Matters Arising from the Minutes	
	Item 3: SP Energy Networks: Proposed Stranoch & Chirmorrie Windfarms OHL Connections: ACk has informed Jeane Freeman and her office of this matter and the concerns raised in Barrhill and surrounding area. He requested contact be made with CS. Item 5: Matters Arising: Litter Bins: ACk had contacted Waste Management and was informed that one of the bins at the entrance to Arnshean Park will be moved up The Avenue. Car Park Bin: CS had received a complaint from a resident regarding a new bin on the pavement outside the school gates. He felt this was not 'fit for purpose' as the height and a lidded opening on top make it too tall for most pupils to access. ACk will raise its suitability with Waste Management. Toby Cover: ACk had been informed that the ill-fitting cover outside No. 53, Main Street had been repaired, but this is not the case. ACk will again chase this up. Drains have now been cleared and ACk had highlighted the issue re-grass-cutting blocking them. ARA had reported that the drains are now running OK but residents had observed that some channel drains remain blocked. Item 11: AOB: Dornal Road: It was queried if this had been attended to as ARA had reported to ACk that the work had been done. RH was adamant that this was not the case with water still running onto the road. ACk will investigate. (Cattle Grid: CS had been emailed by a resident informing that a new cattle grid had now been installed on this road and asking for his thanks to be conveyed to ACk. Noted) Item 5: Matters Arising: Survey: The results of the survey to ascertain present views on further windfarm expansions, and on the proposed OHL, had been collated by AC and had been emailed out to all members. To re-iterate the results: 86% are opposed to the proposed Arecleoch Windfarm Extension; 85% opposed to the proposed Clauchrie Windfarm; 84% opposed to all future windfarm developments; and 92% are in favour of the OHL being placed underground where it crossed the Duisk Valley. CS had therefore, as agreed, submitted a letter of objection regarding the proposed Arecleoch Windfarm Extension to the Energy Consents Unit, which had been acknowledged. Item 11: AOB: CF Director: CS had informed Carrick Futures of RE's willingness to become a director and Foundation Scotland will now contact him to arrange an induction course, when he will become a member and director. Noted Horse Riders' Signage: ACk had contacted ARA re-this matter and awaits a decision.	ACK ACK ACK ACK
5	Treasurer's Report	

	AC circulated copies of his report. Cheques had been paid out to cover various administration costs incurred by the former Chair KMcL, AC and CS. The costs of holding the survey (envelopes and postage stamps) were included in these. The current CC balance in the bank is now £552.38. After payment of the small grants awarded at the October CC meeting, the CF balance, as anticipated, is £5428.84. AC was thanked for his report.	
6	Updates	
	<p>a) BCIC: JT gave the update on this, which included a report on the successful AGM held last week. Items from the BDT included: Fireworks: The display on Saturday 2nd November had been enjoyed by all, with a good attendance at Arnsheen Park, and afterwards in the Memorial Hall. Ceilidh: The Bowling Club is holding a Ceilidh on Saturday 30th November. Defibrillator: This has now been purchased and will be installed on the external wall by the Memorial Hall doors. CS enquired if the security code will be the same as that of the AED at the Surgery. JT informed this is not the case and agreed with other CC members that this could lead to confusion at the Ambulance switchboards about the different locations. He will discuss again with the BDT. 1st Aid Course: This course, which includes CPR training, had now been held and was attended by users of the Memorial Hall. There was a comment from a member that not all residents, including CC members, had known about the course and it was regretted that more advance notice had not been given, so that more people were aware of it.</p> <p>b) Carrick Futures: AC reported on the last CF meeting, which was the AGM. Groups which had been successful during the year were invited to pitch for further funding of £1000. The successful group was Ballantrae Scouts, which includes members from Barrhill.</p> <p>c) South Ayrshire Health & Social Care Partnership Locality Planning: CS had attended on 13th November. Included on the agenda were the following: Presentation on Public Health Reform –this discussed Lifestyle and Public Health priorities and Scotland’s poor relative health; Power of Attorney Day & Will Writing: to be held on 29th November at Age Concern, Duff Street, Girvan; Participatory Budgeting –the Decisions Day will go ahead on Saturday 7th December; Updates on Defibrillators/First Responders – concern expressed regarding the length of time- 4 hours- taken for an ambulance to arrive following a 999 call (there have been other complaints in the area and JT informed that the local First Responder also intends raising the matter with the Scottish Ambulance Service); Dementia Friendly Update – Asda have surveyed customers re- help with shopping; Primary Care Redirection; 31 adults attended the Carers’ Day on 8th November; Update on upcoming events; and the next Newsletter will be out shortly.</p> <p>d) Kilgallioch Community Benefit Company: AC informed that the next meeting will be held on 5th December.</p>	JT
7	Planning Applications	
	W/e 22/11: Application by Barrhill Holiday Park for a Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed 4 static caravan pitches. There was nothing relevant on the October Decisions List .	
8	Small Grant Applications	
	Barrhill Primary: An application for £500 towards the costs (tickets and transport) of the pupils attending the pantomime ‘Jack and the Beanstalk’ at the Gaiety Theatre, Ayr, was unanimously approved. CS to inform Irene McCaig. (It was noted that Linda Wild had submitted further details of her previous application.)	CS
9	Resignation/CC Membership	
	CS reported on the sudden resignation of the Chair, KMcL, for personal reasons. His decision was regretted by all and he could not be persuaded to change his mind. This resulted in a drop in membership to 5 Community Councillors, plus one specialist Co-optee. CS to place a notice informing of the 4 vacancies and inviting residents to apply to be co-opted onto the CC.	CS
10	SAC Community Councils Consultation Phase 2	
	CS reported that SAC are about to issue notification to Community Councils about an agreed extension to the consultation until 7 th February (previous deadline 18 th December), regarding the Phase 2 Consultation process. She enquired if members had read the document. AC commented, as did CS, on the proposal to increase membership to 10. It is difficult enough obtaining 9 members. AC further informed that the document states that the ‘Core membership’ is 9, and a Community Council will have one additional member where a	

	<p>population density is under the South Ayrshire average of 92.2/sq km, The above formula was agreed under phase one of the review consultation of Community Councils 2019, and ratified at South Ayrshire Council's Leadership Panel on 17th September 2019, but AC never saw any consultation on numbers as stated above. It was noted that South Ayrshire Council should immediately be advised if membership falls to less than half of its total membership.</p> <p>AC also noted that in relation to a non-UK citizen not being allowed at present to be a member/co-opted member, only a Specialist Co-optee, the new proposals suggest an alternative to a member being on the electoral role, which is welcomed.</p> <p>All CC members were asked to study the Phase 2 document and note any comments to bring to the next CC meeting.</p>	ALL
11	Correspondence	
	<p>SPR: Clauchrie Community Investment: Another leaflet received on this— again circulated.</p> <p>SPEN: Tralorg –Mark Hill Sub-station OHL: Information circulated.</p> <p>Martyrs' Tomb Path: Rachel Shipley, SAC's access Officer, had contacted CS to enquire about ownership of the footbridge across the Cross Water on the path which leads from the minor road (the C72 Barrhill-Chirmorrie) up to the Martyrs' Tomb. CS assumed SAC owns it but suggested RS contact SAC's Neil Feggans, who was involved when the present bridge was first erected.</p> <p>SAC Community Skips: Annual letter received regarding provision of skips. Noted that Barrhill will again have 6 during the year. CS to complete agreement form and submit.</p> <p>SCCD: Letter of thanks for the grant received from SCCD's Treasurer. Emailed thanks also received from Linda Wild.</p> <p>SAC Young Carers: Activ8 Scheme: Allows for registered young carers in full-time education to receive free access to Sport and Leisure memberships through this scheme.</p> <p><i>Other items previously circulated</i></p>	CS
12	AOB Council Members/Members of the Public	
	<p>Marching On Exhibition: CS reminded that this exhibition, in the McKechnie Institute, closes on 14th December.</p> <p>SWSCRCP: The AGM had taken place on 14th November, but the CC had not been informed of this in advance, as usually occurs. CS had complained and received an apology for the oversight. The plans for the Station Car Park are going ahead. AC referred to the different schemes on display at the BCIC AGM, with parking spaces being either herringbone or parallel, the difference in the estimates done by ARA being considerable</p> <p>JT referred to the fact that at the BCIC AGM the members had approved the application by SWSCRCP to the BCIC for £20,000 match funding. CF and Kilgallioch had also provided funding. Should the parallel scheme go ahead, further funding would be required. Ongoing</p> <p>2020 CC meetings: CS to supply the list of dates to the Hallkeeper.</p> <p>Cemetery Wall: A member of the public informed that he had contacted SAC's Cemeteries section to report that a section of wall at the old Cemetery is falling down and needs urgent repairs. To his surprise, action was taken the next day, with a barrier and a safety notice being put in place. All were delighted to hear of such a swift response.</p> <p>Patient Participation Group: The next one will be held in Ballantrae on 5th December. Any Practice patient is welcome to attend.</p> <p>Defibrillator Checks: CS informed that KMcl was willing to continue with the defibrillator checks even though he is no longer a CC member. This was appreciated by all.</p> <p>SAC Councillor's Report: ACk gave details of the forthcoming Girvan Christmas Street Party, which will commence at 2pm, with the Christmas lights being switched on at 5pm.</p> <p>Rural Forum: This was held in Coylton on 18th November and was well-attended.</p> <p>Broadband Roll-Out: SAC is continuing with this. ACk informed that it will guarantee 100Mb for Primary Schools.</p> <p>ACk ended his report by confirming the changeover of SAC Councillor in January 2020. He will be replaced by Cllr Henderson. ACk was then thanked by all for his help and input over the last year, which was much appreciated.</p>	CS
	Date & Time of next meeting:	
	<p><u>Wednesday, 29th January 2020 at 7pm in the Memorial Hall.</u></p> <p><u>NB: There is no meeting in December.</u></p>	