BARRHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Meeting held on Wednesday, 29th January 2020, in Barrhill Memorial Hall, Barrhill at 7.00pm.

No	Item	Action
	Sederunt: Barrhill Community Council: Andrew Clegg (AC) (Treasurer), Robert Houstin	
	(RH), Pearl McGibbon (PMcG), Celia Strain (CS) (Secretary & Minute Taker),	
ļ	In Attendance: Councillor Peter Henderson (PH) (SAC), 2 Members of the public.	
ļ	In the absence of a Chair, and the Vice-Chair unable to attend the meeting, AC agreed to be	
	Acting Chair.	
1	Apologies for Absence	
	Rod Ekern (RE), Johnnie Thomson (JT) (Vice-Chair).	
2	Police	
ļ	PC Steve Woodley had informed that he was unable to attend and emailed through the report.	
ļ	Between 27 th November 2019 and 10 th January 2020 there were 38 incidents in the area. These were as follows: Assist member of the public – 1; Road Traffic incident – 1; Vandalism	
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ļ	Shoots/Pest Control – 30. Noted.	
ļ	PH then informed of the changes to the Police 'call handling' system, which he had been	
ļ	asked to raise. A new triage system is being introduced shortly, in order to gauge which of the	
ļ	many calls for assistance need prioritising, thus allocating adequate manpower to an incident.	
ļ	It was agreed this was a good idea.	
3	Minutes of Previous Meeting of 27 th November, 2019	
	These were approved: proposed by AC, seconded by RH.	
4	Matters Arising from the Minutes	
	It was noted that with the changeover from ACk to PH, some information was unavailable.	
ļ	Item 4: Matters Arising: Car Park Litter Bin: There was no information on matters raised	
ļ	last time by a resident regarding the unsuitability of a new bin situated outside the school	D
ļ	gates. PH will discuss with the Waste Management team.	PH
ļ	Toby Cover: 53 Main Street: ACk had queried this with ARA and although Kevin Braidwood	
ļ	had understood the matter had been dealt with, he investigated further and afterwards reported that the toby cover was now fitted correctly.	
ļ	Dornal Road: RH informed that while ARA had carried out further work since the last meeting,	
ļ	this was still not satisfactory. Water continues to run down the road in some parts, leading to	
ļ	icy roads during cold weather. PH will pursue.	PH
ļ	Horse Riders' Signage: ACk had contacted ARA re-this matter. Ongoing	PH
ļ	CF Director: RE's details had been passed on to Foundation Scotland by Carrick Futures and	
ļ	he had now had his interview and induction onto the CF board and is now a member and	
	director. As he is away at present, he was unable to attend the recent CF Board meeting, but	
ļ	will do next time.	
ļ	Item 6a: Updates: BCIC/BDT: Defibrillator: In JT's absence, PMcG informed that the	
ļ	security code for the new hall defibrillator had not been co-ordinated with the one at the	
ļ	surgery, in spite of the known views of the Medical Practice that they should match. The CC	
ļ	members were still concerned that this could lead to confusion at the Ambulance switchboards	CS
ļ	about the different locations. Mark Bradley to be contacted about these concerns and PMcG	PMcG
ļ	will raise the matter again at the BDT meeting.	
ļ	Item 8: Small Grant Applications: Thanks had been received from the Primary School, for	
ļ	the grant received, together with receipts of expenditure. A report of the Christmas Craft Fair had also been submitted. Noted	
ļ	Item 9: Resignations/CC Membership: The required notice inviting nominations for co-option	
ļ	onto the CC to fill the 4 vacancies had been on display for longer than the required 4 weeks.	
	Unfortunately there had not been a single applicant. The CC membership remains at 5 full	
ļ	members and 1 Specialist Co-optee.	
	Item 10: SAC Community Councils Consultation Phase 2: There were no further	

	comments on this from members. CS had enquired about a focus group meeting in South Carrick, as only Ayr/Troon meetings had been arranged. This was agreed to if enough support materialised. She had consulted the other South Carrick CCs and the meeting was going ahead on Tuesday. She hoped to attend, possibly with AC or PMcG, when clarification on some points would be sought, including an alternative to a member being on the electoral role. <i>Item 11: Correspondence: Martyrs' Tomb Path:</i> Rachel Shipley, SAC's access Officer, had	
	recently replied to inform that she had researched SAC's records regarding ownership of the Cross Water Bridge, which stated that the landowners either side of the bridge were joint owners. This was news to both. RS became aware SAC had erected the bridge and undertaken any necessary repairs in the past. She was contacting an ARA's bridge engineer	
	to examine the current condition of the bridge and inform of any work required. Board Walks: CS referred to the sterling work done by a resident, Martin Rennie, assisted by Liam, the Barrhill handyman, in building boardwalks over the boggy sections of the Martyrs' Tomb Path. The CC was extremely grateful to both for this work, which was much appreciated	
	by all residents who use the path. Other items on agenda	
5	Kilgallioch & Clauchrie Windfarms Applications to Scottish Governments' Energy	
	Consents Unit	
	The CC, as a consultee, had received communications from both Scottish Power Renewables (SPR) and the Energy Consents' Unit of the Scottish Government, previously circulated to all, regarding the proposed Kilgallioch Windfarm Extension and the proposed Clauchrie Windfarm. SPR has now submitted applications for both.	
	The application documents for the proposed Clauchrie Windfarm are now available for inspection in the Memorial Hall. Unfortunately this fact was omitted from the newspaper adverts placed by SPR. Amended adverts should now appear this week. In relation to Clauchrie, a community survey conducted by the CC last year, to ascertain views	
	on this matter, showed that 85% were opposed to this windfarm. Following these results it was agreed that the CC would object to the proposed windfarm. CS to draft a letter of objection	CS
	making representations on the community's behalf. Regarding the proposed Kilgallioch Extension, as this would be entirely within Dumfries & Galloway the decision was made not to make any representations.	
6	Treasurer's Report	
	AC circulated copies of his report. The current CC balance in the bank is now £563.38, more than the previous £552.38 (this is due to the difference between a payment and an uncashed cheque). A further £600 can now be added as a cheque for the 2019/20 SAC administration grant arrived unexpectedly, but too late to be included in the report. After payment of the Primary School grants awarded at the November CC meeting, the CF balance is now £4928.84. AC was thanked for his report.	
7	Updates	
_	a) BCIC/BDT: JT being absent, PMcG informed that the main business at present is the	
	matter of the Trout Inn, which is now closed for refurbishment. CC members had noted that the published notice of the <i>January report</i> from the BDT meeting gives a full list of matters discussed and considered that receiving a copy of the monthly meeting summary would be beneficial. CS to request this.	
	Boundary Hedge: CS had been informed of the removal of the beech hedge between the Memorial Hall and the car park, which she also regretted. During the transfer of the Memorial Hall from SAC a few years ago, and discussions at the joint meetings held between the CC, BCIC and the Hall Committee (BMHCA), almost all were against the removal of the hedge as it was a feature of the hall grounds. It was suggested that the BDT	CS
	be asked to replace the hedge. CS instructed to contact the BDT. b) Carrick Futures: AC reported on the last CF meeting, which was a funding round. A	CS
	number of grants were approved but due to the rules regarding the time of disclosure following a meeting, he was not at liberty to give details. He could inform, however, that BRICC at Ballantrae had received the final instalment of their earlier grant.	
	c) South Ayrshire Health & Social Care Partnership Locality Planning: CS had been unable to attend on 8 th January. Attendance had apparently been so low that some items, Election of roles and the Review of 2019, had been held over until the next meeting on 12 th February. Agenda items discussed were the usual Updates and Rolling Action Points. Copies of the latest edition of the South Carrick Connections newsletter were distributed.	

	d) Kilgallioch Community Benefit Company: Including Membership of KCBF: AC informed that the last meeting, held on 5 th December, was not a funding round. More Barrhill members of KCBC were required and he and the other Barrhill Director, AR, had attended a meeting of BCIC/BDT to recruit some. Four directors agreed to become KCBF members: Mark Bradshaw, Laura Brown, Richard Brown and Pearl McGibbon. Their membership was unanimously supported by the CC. AC will inform Foundation Scotland.	AC
8	Planning Applications	
	There was nothing relevant on any of the Planning Lists. The November Decisions List , however, contained one for Barrhill. The application for a 'change of use of agricultural land for the siting of 4 glamping pods, ancillary works including car park and footpath' at Laigh Drumlamford was refused.	
9	Small Grant Applications	
	Barrhill Craft Group: An application for £150 to fund the costs of the Memorial Hall hire was unanimously approved. CS to send the cheque etc.	CS
10	SAC Community Councils Consultation Phase 2	
	This item already discussed at <i>Item 4: 'Matters Arising'</i> .	
11	Correspondence	
	Glasdon: Leaflet on equipment/signage for villages. Ayrshire Partnership Against Rural Crime (APARC): Course to be held on 19 th February at a farm in Cumnock. Noted Scottish Rural Action: Notification of AGM in Lanark on 26/27 th February. New members	
	sought. SPR: Information on proposed Kilgallioch Extension received. (See above at Item 5) NHS Ayrshire & Arran: Future Chemotherapy Services in Ayrshire & Arran: Review	
	underway regarding closure of Ayr Hospital's Station 15. There is an 8 week Public Engagement, with offers to attend group meetings to discuss this if requested. Following circulation of the email RE had suggested the CC take up this offer. This was agreed and CS to contact Dr Caroline Rennie to arrange. PH informed that SAC oppose the proposed closure. **NHS Primary Care Transformation Programme:** Information on re-direction of GP Services. **VE Day 75:** Information received from Scottish Community Council. Noted Other items previously circulated**	CS
12	AOB Council Members/Members of the Public	
12	Blocked Drains: AC referred to the 5 years he had been reporting blocked drains at Nos. 57	
	and 69 Main Street, to no avail as these were still blocked. Other members and residents present also pointed out No.25 Main Street and also the blockages caused by gravel/stones washed down the Station Road above Gowlands Farm during heavy rain. PH will report. Sunken Pavement: This area, previously reported, between lamp posts R31 and R32, leading to the entrance to the old cemetery, was reported by a resident to be deteriorating and the drainage gulley is blocked. PH will pursue.	PH PH
	Website Hosting: AC reported he still awaits the fees for this to be withdrawn from the CC's bank account—still overdue from last year. Printer: AC informed that the printer owned by CS, which is used for CC printing, is showing its age and sought approval to purchase one with CC funds. Approved. Bowling Club Grant: AC reported that the Club had yet to submit a completion report to Carrick Futures for the grant received. Failure to do so would preclude further grants being awarded. A resident present undertook to inform the Bowling Club of this. Traffic Calming/Speed Restrictions: Following a request from a resident, Kevin Braidwood had been contacted for an update on the traffic-calming plan for the village, as some	
	considerable time had now elapsed. To date CS had not received any response. PH is meeting KB tomorrow so will pursue the matter. Herbicide Use: A resident present reported that bulbs planted adjacent to the Bowling Green wall had, in his opinion, been killed by herbicide sprayed by SAC workers in the spring of last year and enquired of PH if SAC would pay for replacement bulbs. PH did not think herbicides	PH
	would be used that could cause this but would discuss with SAC's Fiona Ross <i>Patient Participation Group:</i> CS had attended this on 5 th December, as had 2 other Barrhill residents. Agenda items included the importance of ordering repeat prescriptions with at least 48 hours' notice, as demand on the service is increasing. Concern was also expressed	PH

regarding the time taken for an ambulance to arrive following a 999 call. The Practice also stated that it was of the opinion that the security code for the 2 defibrillators in Barrhill should be the same for both. (See above at Item 4 Matters Arising.) The meeting was informed that the new Practice Nurse, Jennifer Cairns, would shortly be commencing in post following the retirement of Caroline, who will be sorely missed. Ideas are also sought for items in the Practice Newsletter. **SAC Rural Forum:** Next meeting to be held in Symington on 17th February. Whithorn Way Footpath: Information received from Julia Muir-Watt (Whithorn Trust) that the CS app will soon be going live and requesting details of where the QR code could be displayed so walkers could pick up the Barrhill passport stamp created by Barrhill P S. pupils. CS to supply information required and to give details of BCIC/BDT contacts re-their notice boards. SAC Councillor's Report: PH referred to a recent major Report on Transport Infrastructure in SW Scotland, which was in favour of re-opening the Stranraer to Dumfries Rail Line and the spur line between Stranraer and Cairnryan. SAC Budget: There was concern about this, as the UK budget has been delayed until 11th March, after the Scottish local authorities are legally bound to reveal theirs. Electric Charging Points are being installed at Ballantrae (2), Girvan, Maidens and Dunure. After this, inland points will also be installed. PH informed that SWSCRP's plans for the Barrhill Station Car Park are progressing. The CC understood that herringbone style spaces are preferred, which is more expensive. PH confirmed that SAC had contributed as ARA had drawn up the plans and will carry out the PH also informed that there is an urgent need for *Community Drivers* – training would be given. A714: RH reported a hazard to traffic on the A714 south of Barrhill - a branch protruding from the hedge below Killantringan roadend, which was hazardous to traffic. PH will report to ARA. PH SWC300/500: A member of the public referred to these new tourist routes, which are now being promoted. This could lead to an increase in visitors to the area and concern was expressed about the lack of facilities throughout. A discussion followed on the future requirements of the tourist industry, which is of great importance to the area. All agreed that the matter requires serious thought. Date & Time of next meeting: Wednesday, 26th February 2020 at 7pm in the Memorial Hall. Other meetings in 2020 25th March, 29th April, 27th May, 24th June, 26th August, 28th October and 25th November.

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