

APPROVED

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

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



	<p><b>d) Kilgallioch Community Benefit Company: Including Membership of KCBF:</b> AC informed that the last meeting, held on 5<sup>th</sup> 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.</p>	AC
<b>8</b>	<b>Planning Applications</b>	
	There was nothing relevant on any of the Planning Lists. The <b>November Decisions List</b> , 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.	
<b>9</b>	<b>Small Grant Applications</b>	
	<b>Barrhill Craft Group:</b> An application for £150 to fund the costs of the Memorial Hall hire was unanimously approved. CS to send the cheque etc.	CS
<b>10</b>	<b>SAC Community Councils Consultation Phase 2</b>	
	This item already discussed at <i>Item 4: 'Matters Arising'</i> .	
<b>11</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	
	<p><b>Glasdon:</b> Leaflet on equipment/signage for villages.  <b>Ayrshire Partnership Against Rural Crime (APARC):</b> Course to be held on 19<sup>th</sup> February at a farm in Cumnock. Noted  <b>Scottish Rural Action:</b> Notification of AGM in Lanark on 26/27<sup>th</sup> February. New members sought.  <b>SPR:</b> Information on proposed <b>Kilgallioch Extension</b> received. (See above at Item 5)  <b>NHS Ayrshire &amp; Arran: Future Chemotherapy Services in Ayrshire &amp; Arran:</b> 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.  <b>NHS Primary Care Transformation Programme:</b> Information on re-direction of GP Services.  <b>VE Day 75:</b> Information received from Scottish Community Council. Noted  <i>Other items previously circulated</i></p>	CS
<b>12</b>	<b>AOB Council Members/Members of the Public</b>	
	<p><b>Blocked Drains:</b> 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.  <b>Sunken Pavement:</b> 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 gully is blocked. PH will pursue.  <b>Website Hosting:</b> AC reported he still awaits the fees for this to be withdrawn from the CC's bank account—still overdue from last year.  <b>Printer:</b> 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.  <b>Bowling Club Grant:</b> 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.  <b>Traffic Calming/Speed Restrictions:</b> 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.  <b>Herbicide Use:</b> 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 would be used that could cause this but would discuss with SAC's Fiona Ross  <b>Patient Participation Group:</b> CS had attended this on 5<sup>th</sup> 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</p>	PH  PH     PH

<p>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. <i>(See above at Item 4 Matters Arising.)</i></p> <p>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.</p> <p><b>SAC Rural Forum:</b> Next meeting to be held in Symington on 17<sup>th</sup> February.</p> <p><b>Whithorn Way Footpath:</b> Information received from Julia Muir-Watt (Whithorn Trust) that the 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.</p> <p><b>SAC Councillor's Report:</b> PH referred to a recent major <b>Report on Transport Infrastructure</b> in SW Scotland, which was in favour of re-opening the Stranraer to Dumfries Rail Line and the spur line between Stranraer and Cairnryan.</p> <p><b>SAC Budget:</b> There was concern about this, as the UK budget has been delayed until 11<sup>th</sup> March, after the Scottish local authorities are legally bound to reveal theirs.</p> <p><b>Electric Charging Points</b> are being installed at Ballantrae (2), Girvan, Maidens and Dunure. After this, inland points will also be installed.</p> <p>PH informed that SWSCRIP's plans for the <b>Barrhill Station Car Park</b> 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 work. PH also informed that there is an urgent need for <b>Community Drivers</b> – training would be given.</p> <p><b>A714:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>SWC300/500:</b> 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.</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>PH</p>
<p><b>Date &amp; Time of next meeting:</b></p>	
<p><b><u>Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 7pm in the Memorial Hall.</u></b>  <b><u>Other meetings in 2020</u></b>  <b><u>25<sup>th</sup> March, 29<sup>th</sup> April, 27<sup>th</sup> May, 24<sup>th</sup> June, 26<sup>th</sup> August, 28<sup>th</sup> October and 25<sup>th</sup> November.</u></b>  <b><u>NB: There are no meetings in July, September and December.</u></b></p>	