



Minute of the meeting held on 21 September 2016 Burngreen Hall

PRESENT: Janet Mckerral, Margot MacMillan, Amy Jarvie, James McCormack, Jim Hutchison, Charles Coultard, Bill Craik, , Lynsey Bastian Dot Clelland, Jane Winters

ALSO PRESENT: Jean Jones, Heather McVey, Alan Stevenson PC P McKenna, PC Adam McManus, PC A Dobbie

Apologies: Kay Thomson, Scott Johnston, Jean MacLachlan.

1. Police Report

The main issues of concern that police reported during the month was youths at the top of Market Close and Market St. Police had responded to by increasing the presence and patrol

There had not been a recurrence of cars gathering in Garrell road which had done the damage to the playing fields. There also were not any calls regarding speeding up to Auchinstarry/ Croy..

It was noted that the Quad bikes have reappeared on Croy hill – again Police cannot action if these events are not reported. Residents should call 101 and report all concerns.

Other Hot Spots include Rennie Road but there were fewer calls in the month. With visits to the same few households on a regular basis.

It was noted that incidents of vandalism and youth gathering had been occurring at Croy Station (although outside the area – Kilsyth people leave cars.) the Police will keep under surveillance and notify transport police. Heather will advise NLC as they are partly responsible for the car park.

The issue of delivery vehicles parking in the Main St was again raised again and members of the meeting were able to provide examples and details of delivery vans that use the main St. It was also reported that Police vehicles have also been seen parked outside the police station. The police have powers to enforce and there should be no Parking for any vehicle, except emergency services, including delivery and blue badge holders.

Action Heather McVey

It was agreed that Heather will clarify with NLC the exact details of the road order, ensure the signage is appropriate and accurate for the purposes of enforcement. Meanwhile the Police Will issue warnings.

Bill will add to facebook.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of last Meeting

The minutes of the August meeting were proposed by Amy Jarvie and seconded by Margo McMillan.

3. Withdrawal of routes X86 and 24

The campaign continues with letters having been sent to MSPs etc advising that that:

- There is a social need for an integrated bus service
- Partial regulation of Buses is required to underpin some services as a social necessity for those without access to a car and where there are issues of affordability for other means of transport.
- Reducing bus services pushes people to use more vehicles, increasing the carbon footprint.

The bus services are key to maintaining community economic and social links with friends and family, and to use commercial and medical facilities.

It was also agreed that pressure should be maintained on first Bus as regarding the trial period and they should be asked to clarify how it will be assessed:

- What are the key success factors ?
- No passengers
- % full
- When is the review date
- How will the public be consulted
- Will a report be produced?

The Secretary confirmed that all these matters had been communicated to MSPs and First Bus and a response was awaited.

It was also agreed that notice of the trial period should be put on KCC face book page and everyone should be encouraged to use the service.

Action Craik

It was agreed that letters should also go to Hamza Yousef and Des Murray Assistant Chief Exec Enterprise and Housing.

4. Matters arising/ General issues/ Communication

Outdoor Gym

David Gall had advised that he is moving to Cumbernauld, but would still be prepared to assist with the green gym project. David will remain on the council as a co-opted member.

Dot Clelland advised that she may have a contact who could be approached to assist with the project.

It was agreed to contact David and confirm if he was still in a position to assist.

Action J Mckerral/ Dot Clelland

Road Works – Kingston Road

Concerns were raised about the roadworks at Station Rd/ Kingston Rd which had appeared with no notification, and contractors were not working during the day but had started work late in the evening,

Skateboard Park

Amy asked the council to consider a proposal for a dual purpose skateboard/bike park for Kilsyth. Consultations with Academy pupils suggested that there was support for

such a project and that the facility would be well used. There is a facility at St Maurice's, but this is difficult for people to access.

The community Council felt this was a concept worthy of pursuing to the next stage and agreed the following actions:

- Amy to confirm Statistics regarding consultation who, where, when, how many etc
- Alan to speak to Martin Dickson re possible sites/funding/costs and the way forward
- Bill Craik to bring details of the potential funding available from LEADER (£2.8M still available).
- **Action Bill Craik/Alan Stevenson/Amy Jarvie**

5. Treasurers Report.

The Administration account currently stands at £1121.36. The Project account is at £463.15.

6. QR Codes

Bill had quote for £790 plus VAT which was agreed. Bill reported that the signs had been ordered and the photographs were also being organised. There will be some requirement to edit the texts provided as some are too long to fit on the signs the format has had to be changed to accommodate "Publisher software".

The QR codes have been given to the printers.

Groundwork for the location of the poles has been agreed with Willie Thompson (took over from John Whittaker).

Lynsey Bastion agreed to help Bill as she has had experience of Publisher

Action Bill Craik/Lynsey Bastion

7. Planning:

There undernoted applications were considered:

There were no objections to the following

16/01679/CLP 11 Glenalva Court - Garage conversion to bedroom

16/01680/FUL Craigmarloch Nursery - erection of plant sheds

16/01383/FUL Viewfield Glasgow RD - Conservatory and Balcony

16/01630/TPO Pruning of trees

16/01546/PPP Torvaig Tak ma Doon Rd erection of dwelling house

16/01485/ADV 1 Garrell Rd erection of 7.5m totem pole sign

Concern was expressed re another amendment at Dawn homes (16/01608/AMD Barrwood quarry amend to layout) regarding the number of changes which increased the density of housing (by stealth) and also whether the proposed roof line height interfered with houses in Colzium view.

Action J Mckerral

It was noted that there was still no update on who had secured the site of the former Police Station as the information is deemed commercially sensitive.

Work has commenced on the old Wilson and Garden site.

11. History and Heritage:

A meeting was held on 19 Sept in Garrell Vale, organised by Anne Russell to investigate the return of “artefacts” which belong to Kilsyth, but which are held elsewhere to be catalogued and displayed. Many items have been located except the Roman alters which went to the Hunterian. The items will all be digitalised and data base will be established. A further meeting will be arranged.

Mr Bill Gracie is also publishing a book on 200m years of the Parish Church.

Clock Theatre

Work is well underway and the car park and disabled facilities are complete. The Cafe is scheduled for completion in February, with the interpretation and Audio visual complete in April. The clock will open April to Sept. Total expenditure is £800k.

12. Reports from other Organisations:

NHS Lanarkshire – Villages Forum

Kilsyth and Villages forum advised that NHS Lanarkshire will be the next meeting on 3rd October to present Achieving excellence – which includes major changes which may affect Kilsyth.

NHS – Achieving Excellence

Consultations are being held by NHS Lanarkshire on the future shape and strategy of the trust in Lanarkshire. The consultations are being held in Wishaw East Kilbride and Airdrie, which is unsuitable for residents of Kilsyth. It was agreed that people should be encouraged to attend the above event at the Villages Forum but also that it should appear as an agenda item and that Calum Campbell should be invited to attend the community council next month.

It was also noted that there was a letter from David Stark in the recent Chronicle which highlighted the difficulties that residents of Kilsyth will face if these new proposals are implemented and calls for us to use Larbert or elsewhere.

Action J Mckerral/ Bill Craik

NHS Annual Review

The NHS annual review will be held on 4 Oct from 2pm to 4pm in New College Lanarkshire Coatbridge. Places are available through Roslin Rafferty, book before 23 Sept.

Margo will attend.

13. Environment: No reports

14. Website:

The number of visits in August was 270 with 284 page views. Visitors were mainly UK, then Canada and the USA. The most viewed topics were Colzium, Whets on, minutes and local traders. Most of the browsing 43% was done via desk top, with 38% from mobiles and 18% from tablets.

15. Correspondence;

Communication had been received from George McDonald in Kilsyth Australia, regarding information on how our community council was set up and operated. Margo and Charles met with George and provided information on the statutory legislation and details as to how we operated on a day to day basis.

Cumbernauld Bus station

Details and plans for the changes to the town centre bus stances in Cumbernauld were circulated to all members. There were no comments

Freinds of Kelvin Valley attended and circulated Kelvin Valley News.

16. A.O.C.B:

There was continued concern about the crossing situation at Lidl/ Garrell rd. It was agreed to invite David Smart to our meeting and to undertake a site investigation. It was reported that David had declined to attend but advised that the survey is being undertaken.

It was noted that there are letters missing from the sign at the entrance to Colzium Estate.

Bill Craik to email Lorna Bowden

Action B Craik

Date of next meeting 19 October 2016 at 7pm in Burngreen Hall Kilsyth

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