



## **Minute of the meeting held on 15 November 2017 in Burngreen Hall**

**PRESENT: Scott Johnston, Janet Mckerral, Jim Hutcheson, Margot MacMillan, , Amy Jarvie, Jean McLachlan, John Freebairn, James McCormack, Alan Stevenson, Jane Winters, Kay Thomson, Carol Sullivan, Charles Coulthard**

**ALSO PRESENT: Jean Jones, Mark Kerr, Heather Mcvey, PC Kevin Cloherty, PC Lynne Cole.**

**Apologies Dot Clelland, lynsey Bastion, Anne McDowall, Bill Craik**

### **1. Police Report**

During the previous month there were 35 crimes of which 22 had been detected. The main issues this month were theft and house breaking. The accused for a number of break-ins had been apprehended. There was also a road traffic incident relating to drugs.

Police had also had to deal with youths on dirt bikes around the Backbrae/Bogside/St Pats. Lidl car Park had also been visited and registration details of cars involved noted for follow up.

The yellow lines in the Market had been repainted allowing clear marking of disabled bays and enforcement of double yellows. It was noted that the parking at the dentist had significantly reduced with the enforcement of the double yellows.

There were still complaints about the youths around the RBS – Police on Bikes are present and moving them on.

ON Dec 5 the Police will be doing their own surgery from 11- 12noon in the CO-OP. Posters will go up this week.

Officers were also busy during the month with visits and presentations to the local schools including a knife talk at the Academy. Talks had also been given to Kilsyth Primary on “respect” in response to some behaviour issues.

It was reported that the Armistice Parade was well attended and with no incidents.

During the month Police officers will receive training with a new speed gun. It is hoped to have it operational after Christmas.

A member of the public advised that fireworks seemed to be out of hand around Ballmalloch having been set off well before the 5 Nov and over a number of evenings. Police advised that such future incidents should be reported as fireworks cannot be set off in a public place and there is also a legal window of both times and dates when Fireworks can be set off.

Problems with Vehicles parking in the Main St continues, one of the members of the Council took photographs and has passed them to police.

Parking at the Parkburn Rd at the corner of the A803 is becoming a serious issue causing traffic to back up along the main road as the bus cannot turn the corner to get up the hill.

## **2. David Craig – NLC update on Bullying in Schools**

David advised that following his last session at the community council he had met with all the local Heads of schools regarding implementation of the NLC Policy and raising the specific issues and concerns raised by the Community Council. The Head of the Academy has also been in dialogue with the Council. All HTs recognise the need to be proactive and issues are being discussed with the individuals.

Overall in terms of the statistics there are no major issues or spikes in the overall trend.

The specific issues of lack of feedback were highlighted along with the lack of follow through from guidance teachers, The need for better dialogue between primary and secondary regarding known cases was reemphasised.

Regarding private nurseries DC advised that the policy is available to all private sector providers and NLC continuous improvement officer is speaking with the private sector.

Schools are also working towards the UNICEF model to become a rights based respecting school. Ballmalloch Primary has reached the top standard in the qualification.

NLC had also had an article in the local press re- assuring the community that bullying is receiving attention and that the policy and schools do deal effectively with bullies

Gregg Orrock had met with members of the council last month and the details were covered in the October minutes. The Academy is keen to be involved with the local community and it was suggested that representatives from KCC could visit the school and let pupils know what we do. Amy agreed to facilitate.

### **Action Amy Jarvie**

## **3. Matters arising/ General issues**

Social work NLC had been contacted but were unable to attend the meeting, but they have advised that bullying within schools is a matter for the Education Service. Essentially social workers would only have a role with individuals who are either the victims or perpetrators of bullying- there really is no locus for social workers to be involved in the general issue. They would usually become involved following a referral from the particular school, the Police or the Reporter to the Children's Panel. Social Services are happy to attend a future meeting to discuss children and families' social work services.

It was agreed that Social work should be invited to attend in January.

#### **4. Minutes of the last Meeting**

The minutes of the October meeting were approved, proposed by Amy and seconded by Jean.

#### **5. Treasurers Report**

The Treasurer advised that the balance in the accounts is £ 605.31 in the Admin Account and the project account balance is £463.45.

#### **6. QR Codes**

Bill advised that the QR codes have now been erected in Colzium. Work on the narrative for the codes for the website is continuing and a budget of £300 was agreed for using the services of Robert Pender. Bill has been liaising with Robert to import all the information onto the web site.

**Action Bill Craik**

#### **7. Planning**

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Residential Development Containing 26 Units (3 Storey Flatted Block of 9 Units, 8 x 2 Storey Cottage Flats and 9 x 2 storey houses. Former Royal British Legion Register Road

17/01808/CLP

Conversion of Attached Garage to Bedroom with Shower Room .Redburn 74 Stirling Road

**Park Foot Social club** - application to include the lounge area as a function suite and to allow young people/under 16 (accompanied) into function areas to watch live sport.

There were no objections.

It was also noted that the Community Council still wanted to see any alterations to the proposed police station site. Jean Jones will speak to John Turnbull and invite him to the January meeting if required.

**Action J Jones**

#### **8. History and Heritage:**

The lights in the Bandstand will be repaired in time for Christmas.

#### **Colzium Signage**

Brown signage for the town and the entrance of Colzium is now being worked up in line with Visit Scotland Iconography.

## **9. Environment**

It was reported that the footpath from Tak Ma Doon Road to the lade at Colzium had now been repaired.

## **10. Website**

The number of visits in October was 342. The main topics were KCC, Colzium, landmarks and what's on. Visitors to the site were from UK, Brazil (Manaus).

## **11. Reports from other Organisations:**

The Friends of Colzium AGM was held on 26 Oct from and John Rosenfield was the speaker. There are now 21 members of the Group which was formed after a series of meetings in Garrell Vale which was looking at restoring and cataloguing artefacts which belong to Kilsyth

Friends of Colzium will also hold their Christmas dinner on 21 Dec at 7pm in the Coachman. Margo has tickets.

The Rotary Club will hold their charity dinner on 3 Nov in the Coachman. The Rotary Club will be planting 5000 crocus for "end Polio" on Saturday at 9am.

The Town twinning will be Bag Packing at the CO \_OP on 16 Dec.

Raffle tickets were also made available in support of the Brownies and Guides.

## **12. Correspondence**

### **Proposals to increase the limit for free school transport for primary and secondary.**

NLC had circulated a consultation document regarding proposals to increase the qualifying distance for free school transport. There will be limited impact on numbers in Kilsyth with St Patricks primary being the most affected.

There will be a public meeting held in Kilsyth Academy on the 24 Novemeber. Members of the community Council can make their views know via NLC web site as can members of the public.

Given the numbers of Pupils affected particularly in St Patricks the Community Council ( by majority vote) rejected the proposals for both Secondary and Primary schools.

Concerns were also expressed from the public gallery regarding the age and "state" of some of the buses. Luxury buses were not being provided.

David Craig commented that all the buses supplied by the contracted companies were fit for purposes and will have met all the statutory checks regarding maintenance and Health and Safety.

## **A.O.C.B**

Issues regarding refuse collection in Maxwell Place were raised by a member of the public regarding uplift of bins from doors rather than “put out”. J Jones advised that anyone applying to have their bins lifted from door could apply – but it could not be a blanket instruction as not everyone wanted this. Heather Mcvey also advised that she was happy to do home visits if required.

Following the closure of the Unemployed workers centre as a result of competitive tendering pressure will be put on the contract winner to provide services in Kilsyth. The issue will also be raised by Mark Kerr at the AGM of the Citizen’s advice bureaux to open a facility in Kilsyth.

### **Call for One way routes in the BackBrae**

It was agreed that this was a much wider issue as there were many streets in Kilsyth where parking/ passing is an issue. This will form an agenda item at the next meeting and a large map of the town will be used to draw proposals.

**Action S Johnston**

**These minutes are issued unapproved and will be presented for approval at the next meeting of the Community Council.**

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**Date of next meeting 17 January 2018 at 7pm in Burngreen Hall Kilsyth**

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