

Kiltearn Community Council

Minutes of Meeting – (MS Teams Meeting)



Held on Tuesday 14 September 2021, 7pm

PRESENT

Members

Cai MacIver (CM) Chair
Shelagh Dennett (SD) Treasurer
John McHardy (JMCH) Secretary
Alpin Macdonald (AM)
Mandy MacLeman (MM)

Highland Councillors

Cllr Michael Finlayson (Cllr MF)

Also in attendance

Sgt Michael Gallie of Police Scotland and 1 members of the Public.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
1	Apologies/Welcome	
1.1	Apologies noted from Celina Peoples (who had been unable to connect to meeting) Lynn Bell, KCC Bookkeeper, Cllr Maxine Smith, Cllr Carolyn Wilson and Cllr Pauline Munro. The Chair noted that Gary Payne had stood down from KCC and thanked him for this many years of service to the Community Council and wider Community, wishing him well for the future.	
2	Previous Minutes/Matters arising	
2.1	The minutes of the meeting held on 8 th June 2021 were agreed following a proposal by CM which was seconded by MM with the following discussed.	
2.2	2.5 Sharing Shed MM reported that all funding was in place.	
2.3	2.6 Flower Baskets. Noted that baskets had been removed with thanks to Aiden Peoples for his work and to Alpin Macdonald for his support.	
2.4	2.7 Christmas Lights. To be progressed by JMCH/CP/SD	
2.5	9.1 Post Office. Noted that Post Office Counters would be providing a mobile service (2 visits per week)	

3 Police Report

- 3.1 Sgt Gallie was thanked for his attendance and provided a very comprehensive report on activity as noted by Police Scotland and invited questions from the meeting which included

Driver Behaviour. Concerns should be directed through 101 or direct to Sgt Gallie but if possible registration numbers should be provided.

Parking at School. Police have been proactive and “*had words*” with several drivers to educate them and draw attention to the need to ensure safety of pupils is not compromised by inconsiderate behaviour.

Wild Camping. Police had monitored behaviour around the beach and not found any issues which would result in action.

- 3.2 Cllr MF thanks Sgt Galie for his prompt attention and advice provided in relation to parking at the Shop and other “pinch points”.

4 Diamond Jubilee Hall

- 4.1 It was recorded that ownership of the Hall had now transferred to Evanton Community Trust (ECT) with CM wishing the Trust well for the future in their efforts to reopen and improve the Hall.

- 4.2 MM reported on behalf of ECT noting that bookings were being accepted and detailed the “opening day” events which were planned for 2 October. Also reported that funding sources were being considered which may assist with improvement/repairs and that in meantime the entrance doors and vestibule had been redecorated and the Hall deep cleaned.

- 4.3 Cllr MF suggested that the Hall toilets could be used as public toilets but noted that there would be issues in relation to conflicts of use at certain times. Gary Payne suggested that the Black Rock toilets could serve as public toilets. Following discussion it was agreed that a meeting of all interested groups should be held within the cornerstone so that all options could be considered.

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5 Councillors Report

- 5.1 **Road Repairs.** Reported that repairs were underway in various locations including Old Evanton Road and Glenglass Road, with the road serving the Burial Ground to be resurfaced.

- 5.2 **Pedestrian Safety.** Noted that concerns had been raised over potential conflicts between motor vehicles and pedestrians in various locations, including through Balconie Steading. Cllr MF suggested that the Ward Discretionary Fund may be able to meet a percentage of the cost of new signs. Agreed that a small group should consider locations and appropriate signage with Gary Payne offering to assist along with CM, Cllr MF and Sgt

Gallie.

- 6.3 **New entrance feature signs.** Noted that the new entrance features had been completed both ends of the Village.
- 6.4 **Rail Halt.** Noted that the KCC had not, to date, been asked to release the agreed contribution to the proposed study.
- 6.5 **Sports Hall.** It was suggested that KCC should contact THC for an update on repairs to the Drummond Road Centre.

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CM thanked Cllr MF for his attendance and work undertaken on behalf of the Community.

7 Village Groups

- 7.1 **ESEG.** GP reported that the group seek funding for improvements to the Black Rock Pavilion but have yet to apply to the "Land Fill" Fund
- 7.2 **ECT.** MM reported, on behalf of ECT, on a proposal to provide assistance to households in fuel poverty. There was broad agreement that such an initiative is worthy of support with further agreement to consider further at a future meeting.

MM
CM

8 Other Business

- 8.1 **Grants.** It was agreed to provide a grant of £500 to ECT to assist in the open day and £1,700 to ESEG.
- 8.2 **Swordale Windfarm.** It was agreed that the CC should not object to the application and write to confirm that KCC support alternative energy proposals
- 8.5 **Next meeting:** agreed as **Tuesday 12th October 2021** using MS Teams. Secretary to issue invite prior to meeting.

JMcH

CM thanked those present for their attendance.