

KILMACOLM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minute of Community Council Meeting (*Subject to approval*)

Tuesday, 27 May 2008 at 7.45pm in the Community Centre

1. Present: Stephen Hampson (Chairman)
Colin McGinn (Minute)
Iain Couttie
Maisie Galbreath
Margaret McLeese
Cllr Wilson
Cllr McCabe

Apologies Helen Calvert
Janice Crean
David Goddard
Jan Johnston
Cllr McLeod
Robin Gordon

2. Attending: Con Irene McIntyre, one member of the Public.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minute of the meeting held on 25 March was approved, subject to one amendment...
Change the date of June meeting from 23rd to 24th June.

4. Matters Arising

- David Goddard's email was noted regarding both a 3km and a 10km event on 26th Oct'08 and proposed Fun Day to be organised by Inverclyde Leisure at Birkmyre Park.
- "The Fair" – Helen wrote to the local councillors stating that we would be disappointed if the Fair did not return. Cllr McCabe stated that the matter had been discussed and a suitable site still has to be identified.
- Potholes outside Auchenbothie Mains Farm have been repaired.
- Street lighting around Birkmyre Park is still always on.
- Street lighting on Port Glasgow Rd is failing to come on until 1am. Pole numbers have been reported.
- Water running in West Glen Park – drains are being worked on.

5. Police Report

There were 8 reported crimes from 1 May to date.

1 breach of peace, 1 road traffic, 2 vandalism, 1 assault, 1 theft (pedal cycle), 1 theft (other) and 1 break-in of a car.

Problem with youths at the KPS, outwith school hours. Residents are encouraged to call the Police.

Suggested that there is a police presence on the KCC website – statement/article to be provided.

6. Treasurer's Report

No report.

Invoice received for seat at the Cenotaph but no seat in situ yet. Ian Couttie will follow-up.

7. Roads, Pavements, Street Lighting & Parks

Sandbags have been sited at the Pullman to temporarily fill the dangerous gap.

Birkmyre

- Gravel in the parking bays does not seem appropriate, but wait to see what happens.
- Screening was supposed to be provided around the car-park (hedges or bushes) but nothing has been provided so far. This matter will be raised at the next meeting with Aubrey Fawcett.
- The swings have been removed.
- Three alternatives submitted to IC. Proposed option - refurbish existing equipment and add additional single multi-functional unit, all fenced off and safe-surface. A budget of £82,000 has been approved. This will be done in consultation with KCC and KPS. The 'pea-gravel' is of concern, but will be addressed with the 'upgrades'.
- KCC still has £2,000 to invest in the play-area, possibly seating in Birkmyre and West Glen, but hold back to see what comes out of consultation at Birkmyre.
- Tennis Court still to be addressed.

8. Planning

- New fascia board at Kilmacolm Pharmacy.
- Fishing hut at the Knapps.
- Quarriers Village – extension to dwelling.

None of these gave rise to concern

Smithy Brae (Demolition of two cottages; erection of two dwelling houses and 21 flats.) - The appeal has been upheld by the Reporter, a number of conditions regarding flooding and previous contamination were noted. 'SEPA' will monitor the contamination issues.

Quarry, Houston Rd – Noise nuisance from the pneumatic chisel was discussed.

9. Youth Group

45 at youth group last Friday, going very well.

10. New Community Centre

A brief over-view of the project was provided...

It is unlikely that KNCC will attract any significant lottery money and it has now been decided to work within budget (still conditional) provided by Inverclyde Council and the Cargill Trust. The design will be down-size and possibly retain existing buildings. Looking at the option of a commercial venture being located within the buildings which will bring a much needed revenue stream.

11. KCC Website

It was agreed to ensure that an advertisement was included in The Advertiser and also notices on the Institute/Library Notice Board regarding the site. It was noted that our meeting room was next to the library and not above the library as stated.

12. Inverclyde Council Minutes

- Refusal of St. Columba's School Gryffe Rd extension.
- Approval of Smithy Brae development.
- Upgrades to Birkmyre play-area.
- Greenock Academy placing issue for Kilmacolm, placing requests has been capped. Review to allow all siblings into the school. On the plus-side, PGHS has the highest intake for many years.

13. Correspondence

10th June Inverclyde Arts Strategy.
10th June Wind-farm meeting, Kilbirnie.

14. Any Other Competent Business

- Inverclyde Council survey at 'The Cross' – Steven Hartley will contact us in June.
- KCT – Wish discussion about parking and traffic.

15. Dates of Next Meetings

24 June 2008 at 7.45pm – Regular Meeting
26 August 2008...
7.30pm – Regular Meeting
7.45pm – Regular Meeting

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AGENDA

Meeting to be held in the Community Centre on
Tuesday, 24 June 2008 at 7.45pm

1. Report Apologies for Absence
2. Attending
3. Submit minute of the previous meeting held on 27 May 2008.
4. Matters Arising
5. Police Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Roads, Pavements, Street Lighting, Parks
8. Planning
9. Youth Group
10. New Community Centre

11. KCC Website

12. Extract of Inverclyde Council Minutes

13. Correspondence

14. Any Other Competent Business

15. Date of Next Meeting