

KILMACOLM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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

Tuesday, 25th November 2008 at 7.45pm in the Community Centre

1. Present

Helen Calvert (Chairman)
Colin McGinn (Minute)
Robin Gordon
David Goddard
Maisie Galbreath
Helen Cook

Attending: Three members of the public.

Apologies: David Scott, Jan Johnson, Stephen Hampson, Janice Crean, Iain Couttie, Cllr Wilson, Cllr McCabe

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minute of the meeting held on 28th October was approved with the addition of Helen Cook's apologies.

3. Matters Arising

- Chairman and Iain Couttie attended Remembrance Service and laid wreath at War Memorial.
- Birkmyre Park issues will be brought up at next month's meeting with IC.

4. Police Report

11 crimes reported from 1st Nov to date...

3 drugs, 2 careless driving, 1 dangerous driving, 2 assaults, 1 vandalism
8 of the crimes were detected during pro-active policing regarding previous crimes being pursued.

- Birkmyre Park Shelter - two attempts made to set the benches on fire, Fire Brigade called out to one.
- Community Policing – Still no further dedicated officer for Kilmacolm, but three assigned to Ward1 area. PC McIntyre is part-time, letter to be written to request that her days off are covered.

5. Treasurer's Report

- A further £500 of annual grant from IC.
- Bank balance stands at £1920.

6. Roads, Pavements, Street Lighting & Parks

- "Chain Rd" at Birkmyre Park will not be opened.
- Birkmyre Gym – Membership on target.
- Pot-holes – Can now be reported via the Internet on IC web-site. Click on Roads & Transport & follow the instructions.

7. Planning

- Concern re application for various works at The Manor, Houston Road – letter of objection..

8. Youth Group

- Finishes on 5th Dec with a trip to the Pantomime.

9. New Community Centre

- New design concept in progress. Planning application ready for the year-end.

10. KCC Website

- Can get an updated article from the Police?
- Link to IC website – Actioned by Stuart Wilson.
- Change to content - Meeting room opposite library, not upstairs.

11. Inverclyde Council Minutes

- Nothing of note.
- Have we paid our annual fee to the Assoc of Scottish Community Councils?
Note: Follow up email from Robin Gordon – Last fee was paid May 2004 (£15)

12. Correspondence

- None of note.

13. Any Other Competent Business

- Christmas lights switch on Friday 5th Dec'08.
- Quarriers Village will have a Christmas tree from IC
- Suggestion to bring the meeting forward from 7.45pm to 7.30pm – decided to remain at later time meantime.
- Lord Maclay led a discussion on Duchal...
Duchal Estate consists of 1000 acres with a significant portion let-out for farming. The Estate provides a huge asset to Kilmacolm. Public have access to the "Avenue" all year round and the Knapps Loch. The Agricultural Show and the Annual Bonfire are given ground free of charge. The formal gardens are open annually during the "Open Gardens Scheme". However, some education is required for the general public on the country code – possibly via "The Advertizer". Desperate need for funds to preserve Duchal House (list 'A' status) via "enabling development" - St Columba's School, car-parking, selective residential are a few possibilities.

14. Dates of Next Meetings

- 23rd December 2008 at 8pm – Meeting in the Pullman
- 13th January 2009 at 7.45pm
- 24th February 2009 (Helen away)

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REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

Meeting to be held in the Community Centre on
Tuesday, 13th January 2009 at 7.45pm

1. Report Apologies for Absence
2. Attending
3. Submit minute of the previous meeting held on 30th November
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