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Kilmacolm Community Council Meeting Tuesday 23 February 2021 at 7:30pm Via Zoom

Present:

Mike Jefferis - Chair

Morven Armour -Vice Chair

Johanne Davis – Treasurer

Andrew Brewer – Secretary

Helen Cook

Susannah Donaldson

David Goddard

James Kelly

Cllr David Wilson – Ex Officio

Cllr Jim McEleny

Attending:

PC John Jamieson – Police Scotland

Apologies:

Cllr Stephen McCabe – Ex Officio Ronnie Cowan MP – Ex Officio

1. Welcome

The chair opened the 23 February 2021 Zoom meeting of the Kilmacolm Community Council and welcomed all those attending.

2. Minute of the Kilmacolm Community Council Meeting – January 26 2021

The minute of the above meeting was approved

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Police Scotland

PC Jamieson reported seven crimes since the last meeting

- Minor assault -1
- Section 4 road traffic collision unfit drugs

Subject to Approval at the 30 March 2021 Meeting of the Kilmacolm Community Council

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- Vandalism to wing mirror
- Vandalism to house Port Glasgow Road
- Road Traffic Collision not reported
- Attempted fraud -telephone call
- Driving under the influence of drugs

5. Inverclyde Council Community Wardens Services Report

No reported incidences

6. Kilmacolm Community Council Finances

The February Budget v Actual v Forecast report was presented by the treasurer.

The balance available £5561.50 – a few cheques having been issued but not cleared as yet.

The maintenance for the defibrillator is due but no invoice has been received. The secretary to contact the company.

Kilmacolm primary school send their thanks for the donation of £150.

Appointment of auditors:

It was unanimously agreed to appoint Adele Thompson CA and Scott Cowan ACMA as the independent Examiners of the Kilmacolm Community Council 2020/2021 Annual Accounts.

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7. Planning/Licensing

The following planning applications were reviewed at the meeting.

Reference 21/0023/IC

Alternative Reference 100359225-001 Application Received Mon 01 Feb 2021

Address Dunedin Port Glasgow Road Kilmacolm PA13 4QG

Proposal Erection of detached garage at side

Status Pending Consideration

Reference 21/0048/IC

Alternative Reference 100364717-001 Application Received Wed 17 Feb 2021

Address Ardgowan Hospice 3 Octavia Buildings Bridge Of Weir Road Kilmacolm

PA13 4AE

Proposal Change of use from charity shop (class 1) to Chiropractic Clinic

(class 2).

One chiropractor will be practicing from here during daytime hours.

Status Pending Consideration

Appeal Status Unknown

Reference 21/0045/IC

Alternative Reference 100364502-001 Application Received Tue 16 Feb 2021

Address Anath Port Glasgow Road Kilmacolm PA13 4SG

Proposal Erection of two storey side extension, two storey rear extension and single storey rear extension; widening of driveway; erection of detached

garage at rear following demolition of existing garage

Status Pending Consideration

Appeal Status Unknown

Reference 21/0006/TRE

Alternative Reference 100353789-001 Application Received Wed 20 Jan 2021

AddressTorridon Glenmosston Road Kilmacolm PA13 4PF

Proposal Nine fully mature sitka spruce and two golden larch trees - To fell and stump grind the existing eleven trees to be replaced with more appropriate species.

Status Pending Decision

Reference 21/0010/IC

Alternative Reference 100352560-001 Application Received Tue 19 Jan 2021

AddressHeathmount Glencairn Road Kilmacolm PA13 4PB

Proposal Proposed demolition of garage and wash house and erection of a

replacement garage and workshop, renewal of consent 18/0078/IC.

Status Pending Consideration

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Reference 21/0009/IC

Alternative Reference 100352417-001 Application Received Mon 18 Jan 2021 Address Road At Milton Farm (B788) Kilmacolm

Proposal New road access to Milton Farm (agricultural land) from B788

Status Pending Consideration

• No objections were raised to any of the above-mentioned applications.

8. Roads, Pavements, Street Lighting, Parks and Open Spaces

Comments have been made regarding the excess speed of traffic in the village of Kilmacolm when it is used as a primary diversion route when the M8 is closed for essential work. The councillors were asked to discuss with Police Scotland about additional monitoring of speed when a diversion route is in place.

The new road layout at the junction of Quarry Drive and Finlaystone road is causing some confusion. Cllr Wilson informed the meeting that the present layout is incorrect and will be changed.

Comments were made about a few blocked road gullies. We were advised by the councillors to report these on-line using the mobile app. The poor state of the pavements in the village centre was raised. The chair is to contact Cllr Wilson regarding this as funding may be available from Inverclyde Council.

Parking on the pavements was raised under item 10 but in the minutes as related to this item on the agenda. The council is looking at the implementation of the new law related to parking on pavements and will update the Community Council on their progress.

9. Kilmacolm Community Clean Up

No decision due to Covid-19 restrictions

10. Any Other Competent Business

- 10.1. Update on upgrades to local parks No report
- 10.2. Reopening of National Lottery Grants for Heritage Scotland. It was suggested that application was made to restore some of the gravestones in the cemetery. A number of practical problems were raised, and it was decided not to proceed.
- 10.3. Strategic Transport Projects Review 2 (STPR2) The chair is to formulate a response and circulate it for comment.

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- 10.4. Agricultural show It was agreed that the Community Council would increase the donation to £100. The additional £25 to be used as for prizes for the anti-littering poster competition.
- 10.5. Spring art trail Plans are being developed for an art trail like the extremely successful scarecrow trail held in the autumn. The capital cost of setting this up is £177. The Kilmacolm community Council agreed to fund this as a community project.
- 10.6. Vests for walking group

This was discussed after Mike Jefferis and David Goddard had left the meeting as they were involved with the request. It was proposed by Morven Armour that the Kilmacolm Community Council should fund high visibility vests for the walking group which meets on a Thursday. The motion was seconded by Andrew Brewer and approved by those present.

It was suggested that the Kilmacolm Community Council should contact the litter pickers to ask if they required additional high visibility vests. The group was contacted after the meeting and informed us that they had no requirement for additional high visibility vests.

11. Dates of Next meetings

27 April 2021 – 7-30pm

25 May 2021 – 7-00pm

25 May 2021 – 7-30pm

29 June 2021 – 7-30pm

Annual General Meeting