



MINUTES OF MEETING - HELD IN KENNEDY HALL - ON TUESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2016 @ 7.30pm

SEDERUNT:

Alex Gibson (Chair), Steve Izatt (Member & Secretary) and Angus Craig (Member).

PRESENT:

Sandra Goldie (SAC Labour Councillor), Colette McGarva (SAC Community Engagement Officer), Kevin Braidwood (Ayrshire Roads Alliance Operations Manager), Police Officer Donna Jenkins (Police Scotland) and Police Officer Stephen Ferguson (Police Scotland).

APOLOGIES:

Andy Guthrie (Vice-Chair & Secretary).

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

None

Quorum Note: Only three Members of the Community Council were in-attendance. But as the formal Co-Opting of Janey McCreath and Ronnie Auld has not yet been confirmed in-writing by SAC, it was considered that a sufficient Quorum was achieved, and the Meeting proceeded.

1. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (18 October 2016):

Proposed: Angus Craig / Seconded: Alex Gibson

2. POLICE REPORT:

15 Incidents, all specific to the Community, were reported over the past month or so:

- 1 x Housebreaking (Station Road);
- 2 x Suspect Persons (using Drones);
- 3 x Road Traffic Violations (speeding on the A719);
- 3 x Livestock on Roads;
- 1 x Noise Complaint;
- 2 x Notices of Pest-Control Shootings;
- 1 x 999 Call (dropped); and
- 2 x Assisting Members of the Public.

The Housebreaking Incident is the subject of an ongoing Police Investigation. Both Incidents involving the unauthorised flying of Drones directly above local residents' properties (which raises a number of privacy and security concerns) will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting. The Police Officers were thanked for their attendance.



3. COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

Sandra advised that she had not attended any of the past four meetings due to ill-health, and noted her intention to retire in early 2017. She informed us that the Councillors had recently returned from Recess, and so there was nothing much to report, aside from anticipation on the Budget which will be awarded to SAC for the next Financial Year, and its spending priorities.

4. LINK OFFICER'S REPORT:

Colette advised of the following:

- (a) Strengthening our Communities: A series of Workshops are being held by SAC throughout Ayr, Prestwick, Troon, Kirkmichael and Girvan during October and November 2016. These will cover topics such as *Roles & Responsibilities of Community Councillors, Participatory Budgeting, Community Consultation & Engagement, and Funding*. All Members of the Public are welcome to attend. Further details are available on SAC Website.
- (b) Community Councils Conference: This will be held in Ayr on 18 November 2016. Morning only. Andy has circulated details. Members of the Community Council are encouraged to attend. Spaces are limited to three persons, and Pre-Registration is required.
- (c) Participatory Budgeting Event: Another Funding Event for Community Projects will be held on 03 December 2016 in Maybole Town Hall. Amounts of up to £1,000 will be available from a total fund of £29,000. The deadline for Applications is 18 November 2016. Colette advised of a further funding stream which is available from the "Co-Op".

It was noted that this event, and similar Participatory Budgeting events hosted by NCCB, is an ideal opportunity for the Community to obtain much-needed Funds to support local initiatives such as a Community Mini-Bus, or new Windows for Kennedy Hall, or additional Community Notice Boards, or Feature Lighting for the Castle, etc. etc.

But we need volunteers from within the Community to step-forward, to champion all of these initiatives, and to complete the application forms. Sadly, nobody from within the Community has come forward to volunteer. And so these invaluable opportunities will be lost.

- (d) Carrick Community Councils Forum (CCCF): This Forum is still active. They last met on 13 September 2016. The pattern of their meetings follow second Tuesday alternate months, except mid-summer and mid-winter. Roy has regularly attended for our Community.
- (e) Association of South Ayrshire Community Councils (ASACC): The status of this Group is unknown. Colette will check and advise.



- (f) Demolition of the “Stables” Building: The recent demolition of the Stables building located in Kennedy Park was discussed. The members of the Community Council expressed their surprise at this, and reported that several local residents had noted their concerns. Despite the obvious dilapidated condition of the building, there had been no notification, and this building had been identified for possible “community-buy-out and re-development” under the recent Community Empowerment Act. Colette was asked to investigate this matter.

Post Meeting Note: Colette has contacted David Lewis (South Ayrshire Council Estates Department), and he will provide the Members of the Community Council with full details of this Demolition.

- (g) Ayrshire Roads Alliance (ARA) Issues: Kevin Braidwood (Operations Manager) was in-attendance. The following issues were discussed:

1. Traffic Speed Survey Results (& Findings) for Station Road

ARA has provided a file containing the Raw Data gathered from the Speed Survey. ARA confirmed Police Scotland advice, that no speed-reduction measures are recommended. The Members of the Community Council expressed their surprise at this conclusion.

2. Our letter on the dangerous nature of Station Road dated 17 September 2015

Kevin noted that ARA has applied for funding to commission a Specialist Traffic Consultant to carry-out a full route review of Station Road, and submit proposals for short, medium and long-term solutions. If the funding application is successful, the Report is expected to be completed by end 2Q 2017. All recommendations within the Report will be subject to further study and the availability of Funding. Separately, ARA has contacted land-owners regarding their regular maintenance of hedgerows, and progress is evident.

3. Children-Crossing Pictogram on the Speed-Activated Warning Signs at the School

Kevin confirmed these are now operational, and they activate at certain core-times when children are likely to be arriving-at or leaving the School. ARA was requested to over-ride these timings, and set the Children-Crossing Pictograms to be operational 24-hours a day seven days a week, consistent with the Speed-Activated element of the Signs.

4. Responses to Faults reported via the ARA Website

ARA is currently reviewing correspondence levels, and will shortly be introducing a more robust monitoring programme. Meantime, Kevin advised that Members of the Community Council may contact him directly on any matter of concern.

5. Potholes on Castle View

Repairs were carried-out on 21 September 2016.



6. Copies of local Road-Inspection Reports

The Community Council understands the following Inspection Regime is undertaken:

Street	Frequency	Last Inspection	Next Inspection
Kennedy Drive	Annually	22 Mar 2016	22 Mar 2017
Arran View	Annually	22 Mar 2016	22 Mar 2017
Carrick Place	Annually	22 Mar 2016	22 Mar 2017
Harbour View	Annually	22 Mar 2016	22 Mar 2017
Station Road	3-Monthly	10 Aug 2016	28 Nov 2016
Castle View	3-Monthly	10 Aug 2016	28 Nov 2016
Castle View to Dunure Mains	3-Monthly	10 Aug 2016	28 Nov 2016
Ayr Road	Monthly	04 Oct 2016	14 Nov 2016
Dunure Mains to Croy Brae	Monthly	04 Oct 2016	14 Nov 2016

This was confirmed by Kevin, albeit there is some latitude on dates. ARA has provided copies of the latest Inspection Reports. It was noted that Station Road contained Defects, Castle View contained Defects, Castle View to Dunure Mains contained Defects, Ayr Road contained Defects, and Dunure Mains to Croy Brae contained Defects. The status of Repairs is unknown. When queried, Kevin advised there are four categories of Defects:

Category (the severity of the Defect)	Response Time
1	2 hours
2	5 days
3	10 days
4	28 days

Kevin noted that Response Time does not necessarily mean a Repair, but that all Defects are attended-to as quickly as weather conditions, resources and finance permit.

The Members of the Community Council acknowledged that the Community was treated well, and that all Pot-Holes were being attended-to promptly. We asked that this continue. The Members of the Community Council thanked Kevin for his attendance, and for his continued commitment to the Community. Our next Meeting is scheduled for 17 January 2017, and if we need Kevin to attend, we will send him an Invitation ahead of that date.



5. MATTERS ARISING:

- (a) Alex has completed the Office Bearer & Data Protection Forms, and will send them to SAC.
- (b) Angus has another NCCB meeting on 16 November 2016. He will obtain clarity on the various Funding Streams which are available, including a calendar showing submission dates for applications and decision-making dates.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Roy Storie (Treasurer) was not in-attendance.

It is understood that the financial position for the Working Fund (Bank Account 00584730) is approximately £1,800.00; and the Financial Position for the Community Hall Fund (Bank Account 00584765) is unchanged from previous, and stands at £3,145.42.

Roy to arrange for Steve to be an additional signatory on cheques.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Not discussed in detail. Relevant emails are distributed by Andy.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS & DECISIONS

Not discussed in detail. Weekly and Monthly Registers of Planning Applications & Decisions are circulated by Andy, and are available for inspection online at SAC Planning. Link here:

<http://publicaccess.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=weeklyList>

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. Steve submitted an application to LEADER, on 20 October 2016, for Funding to restore the Dunure Lighthouse. He has been advised, due to the vast number of applications received (57), that a response is now expected by 25 November 2016. Steve asked Sandra Goldie and Colette McGarva to prioritise this issue, and follow-up on the status of the Application.
- 2. We are waiting on confirmation from SAC that Janey McCreath and Ronnie Auld have been accepted as Co-Opted Members of the Community Council.
- 3. Roy has, over the years, gathered various articles and materials relating to the history of the Villages of Dunure and Fisherton. Steve will arrange to collect these, scan and upload them to the Website, and then return them to Roy.
- 4. We are grateful to Linda Izatt for tidying-up the vegetation-growth behind the Bus Shelter.



5. Steve has received an email from the *Royal Mail* confirming that all Post Boxes located within the KA7 Post Code will be re-painted in 2017.
6. Steve sent an email to *British Telecom* regarding the poor condition of the Telephone Box located at the Bus Terminus. A response has been received advising of potential removal instead of repair. Steve will follow-up on this. There may be an opportunity to permanently locate the Defibrillator (see below) at this location.
7. Angus (via NCCB) obtained a Defibrillator for the Community. This is located (temporarily) in Kennedy Hall. A Member of the Public (Mhairi Eaglesham) has volunteered to be the point-of-contact should anyone need to use this. Further details on permanent location of the Defibrillator, and its use, will be issued at a later date.
8. The recent (06 November 2016) Coastal Rowing event held at the Harbour was discussed. A self-build Rowing Boat can be purchased, with or without financial assistance from "*The Princes Trust*". This would be a worthwhile Project to be undertaken by young persons in the Community, and it could become part of a larger Project to establish a Rowing & Sea Kayaking Club. We will discuss this with the Dunure Harbour Committee Association Ltd., as we will need access for launches and storage facilities. Meantime, Steve will prepare a Funding Application for issue to NCCB, and subsequent follow-up by Angus.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Meeting concluded at 9.15pm.

The next Meeting will be held on 17 January 2017. Members of the Public are welcome.