

DAILY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 07 March 2018 at 7pm, at Dailly Community Centre

Present: John Whiteford, Ronnie Turnbull, Fiona de Faye, Tom McCartney,
Hilary Denholm, Helena Menhinick

Attending: Cllr Peter Henderson
Kevin Braidwood - ARA
William Crawford and Robert Lucas - GNPA
PCs Thomson and Emmerson – Police Scotland
Louise Murdoch

Apologies: David McIntyre, Ellen Trayner, Jenny Fergusson, Martin Wilson,
Bryan Jamieson

1. Police Report

Since the last meeting there had been 5 calls to the area - 4 Assist member of Public, 1 Duplicate and one Domestic related incident, with 1 crime report detected.

There was nothing to report to the Police. They did indicate that we should still be vigilant particularly regarding fuel theft, and to report any strange behaviour. A member advised that they thought there had been more of a Police presence generally in the area, which was confirmed.

Calls to the Police are confidential and can be anonymous.

Methods of contacting Police:

In an emergency always dial 999 Non-urgent: 101

GirvanSouthCarrickCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk

Social Media, not for reporting crime, not monitored 24/7:

www.scotland.police.uk

www.facebook.com/ayrshirepolice

Twitter: @AyrshireEPolice

2. Ayrshire Roads Alliance (ARA) – Kevin Braidwood

KB indicated that the network had taken a battering over the winter period so far, with 10,000 tons of salt being distributed, and another 3,000 tons expected to be spread by mid-May.

Funding is an issue, but they were hopeful for the 2018/19 budget. They were starting to use the machine patching method, which had been talk about for some time. Inspectors were out targeting the removal of water from the roads, and involving the landowners in the process.

They would then be able to patch more efficiently after this, as water is one of the major issues.

Various works were being programmed for this area from about April – C29 (Captains Bridge, 2 sections at the crossing and 2 other sections in 4 phases), C30 (Old Dailly Road to Linfern B734), C101 (Old Dailly to Cairnhill). A new electronic system was being installed, which will help simplify programming. During discussion other roads were mentioned – over the hill at Blackcock/Kirkoswald/Turnberry, Milton/Barr Road, the Back Road in the Village, and the Bridge at the Toll. KB took these on board and indicated that some of these

issues were covered under the revenue programme. He would be forwarding a list of capital expenditure works shortly, for response by the end of March, which will then be taken to the Leadership Panel.

The Timber Transport Group had been providing capital funding for roads. ARA was making endeavours to obtain as much external funding as possible. The SG had turned down repeated requests for funding to compensate for the A77 diversion traffic through this area. Cllr PH advised that there had been protests to the SG, and that there would be a meeting next week to discuss this issue.

Inspectors were now remote working, using tablets – this was proving more efficient and provided better communication. From May, after IT security issues have been tested, the Customer Care Module will be upgraded to provide a confirmation number – which the public had been requesting for some time.

Regarding the 20mph consultation, out of 15 CCs only 6 had responded. A new staff member has recently been employed and will take the project forward to the monitoring stage. Radars will go into the villages, results analysed and fed back to the CCs.

Flooding issues – see Dailly Primary School.

3. Galloway National Park Association – William Crawford and Robert Lucas
WC gave an introduction, advising that both he and RL were trustees of the GNPA. GNPA was formed in 2016 to explore the pros and cons of Galloway becoming an NP – campaigning for the region to be recognised alongside places such as Loch Lomond and the Trossachs, and the Cairngorms. RL then gave a slide presentation showing the potential 4 boundaries. There are three criteria - Natural and Cultural Heritage, Distinctive Character and Identity or Special Needs – which in this case is Economic, the GNP meets these. There is a general confusion with other designations – Forest Park, Biosphere and Dark Skies. These are all beneficial in their own rights however they cannot provide the scale of benefits from a NP status – which is more widely understood.
NPs are much more than landscapes, they attract business, innovation and potentially sustainable development. GNPA is in consultation – there needs to be a development plan. NPs are governed by NP Authority with certain guidelines. The NPA could be the planning authority for this area. Potential benefits of GNP could be: raised profile (branding, logo recognition), environmental (conservation/management of wildlife, increasing access), economic (tourism, strengthening existing and attracting new businesses, NP work, increased spending), and social (improved employment opps, community development).
After a good presentation, RL left information and a questionnaire. The Chair thanked them both, and it was later suggested that we would need to have a more indepth discussion at another meeting.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of 14 February 2018 were proposed by Ronnie Turnbull and seconded by Fiona de Faye.

5. Matters Arising

Dailly Primary School

KB acknowledged that there were flooding issues with the football park, indicating that it might be necessary to dig, as there might be a crushed pipe. SAC/Derek Yuill together with

Morrison's Contractors would be attending the site and taking a core sample. This is an ongoing issue. It was understood that there was a filter drainage system in place with hard core on top. Previously Cllr AC had attended with ARA to find a solution. All agreed that the area was sinking/settling, but the water was not draining away from the field. LM had raised the issue several times, as there was potential to flood her house. Photos had been forwarded to SAC/DY.

Roads / Potholes

As above. The Roads Budget has increased by an additional £3m, East Ayrshire has also increased their budget for roads, giving a combined increase to ARA of £7.4m. As above, in regards to potholes, whilst emergency repairs will be carried out, the policy going forward is to cut out and repair potholes properly.

Everyone should make an effort to report on the ARA website when they encounter potholes or other road issues, to:

Report faults and defects to: www.ayrshireroadsalliance.org

Or phone: 01563 503 160

Or SAC phone: 0300 123 0900

Or via SAC website: www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk

Daily Trails

Nothing to update. The weather has been an issue for any progress.

Windfarms – General

ET was unable to attend. Will keep these headings in place, as a reminder:

Linfairn – no new info.

Tralorg – no new info re construction.

Lamboughty – no further info.

Kirkhill – Secretary to check if there had been any communications with other CCs re benefit fund, and any progress. The developer is Coriolis/Lynn Sweeney.

If members of the community have any comments regarding proposed windfarms, they should make their views, whether positive or negative, known to the CC as soon as possible, or direct them straight to the planning application.

Village Notice Board

Secretary and HD will hold keys to the Notice Board.

Website

HD and Secretary had been in touch and HD would be looking at various options. Secretary had paid the previous hosting company renewal.

Community Centre WiFi

Cllr PH advised that there seemed to have been some initial confusion, however SAC and the Community Association are now in the process of organising the re-installment of the computers.

Proposed Base Station – Balcarnie Farm

Secretary had just seen the notice in the planning update that it was a Permitted Development.

Dog Fouling

On-going. A member suggested a new bin at Hazelwood /Eldinton, by the steps – Secretary to contact SAC/Mike Newall.

Fly-tipping

Secretary to advise Bargany Estate of the contact details of SAC/Environmental.

6. Carrick Activity Centre

HM advised that there had been turnover of staff, and three new part-time instructors had now come onboard. The Centre had been successful in obtaining funding from the Co-op, which would go towards new tables and chairs, and upgrading of some existing kit. They were also in the process of looking at funding to upgrade some gym equipment.

7. Hadyard Hill Community Fund Panel

TMcC advised that the Scouts had received funding from the last round, and that the next meeting would be 14 March.

Secretary advised that DMcI had indicated that there might be an issue with the Carrick First Responders grant request for kit bags which would be clarified shortly. Secretary had been made aware of £500 that had been raised by McColls for a defibrillator (AED). Match funding was needed. Secretary had a conversation with Carrick First Responders regarding AED in general. It would be good to have another AED in the village, but one that was accessible 24hrs. Secretary asked whether members would agree in principle to awarding a grant of £500 towards this AED – all agreed in favour. Once all has been clarified, an application will be forthcoming.

Secretary also indicated that the website will also require a grant, and asked whether in principle members would agree to awarding a grant – all agreed in favour. HD will follow-up once she has figures.

The Scouts had received the lap-top from the Pigeon Club.

8. Locality Planning / Participatory Budgets

Unfortunately the Scouts were unable to attend the PB event in Girvan on 24 February so missed out on any awards. Cllr PH indicated that there was still a possibility of entering the Colmonell PB event on 17 March.

Secretary had received draft notes of the last meeting of 14 February – main items were: Key priorities for South Carrick Locality Planning Group, Ayrshire Transport Summit (improving transport network locally), SCCT (re increasing bus service in rural villages), Girvan Town Team (dementia friendly town), Launch of Strictly Seniors at Girvan Hospital 20 March. would attend the next meeting on 13 December – the Local Priorities Action Plan will be discussed/expanded upon.

Notes of meetings will be on the Community Centre Notice Board.

9. Councillor's Report

Cllr PH advised that the budget was markedly better than predicted due to measures taken during the year to find savings and with an unexpected last minute boost from SG.

Regarding the consultation with the public there had been an impressive 3000 responses, plus petitions. There were to be no redundancies, although there would be restructuring of the upper management. Generally £9.4m was being saved. An additional £3m was being made available for the roads. Charging changes would be in place for April. All were aware that there would be cuts again for next year. Timing was one of the issues when trying to fix the

budget as the Scottish Government was not able to give an indication until December at the earliest. There had been a deficit of £16.7m, some reserves had been used to balance the budget leaving SAC with reserves of £6.2m.

The Rural Panel would be meeting again shortly, on the agenda – transport, alternative fuels, roads, and the possibility of a South Ayrshire Dairy.

A member enquired about the Carrick Academy Consultation, whether the Catholic School would be a separate school. Cllr PH indicated that it was proposed that the new campus would have the secondary school, 2 non-denominational amalgamated primary schools, and the catholic school on the same site. Facilities would also be available for community use. A Public Consultation was in progress, and expected delivery of the campus is for the 2021/22 session.

Cllr PH also indicated that a new 4G all weather floodlit football pitch would be installed at Victory Park, Girvan.

10. Any Other Business

What If...Girvan – Secretary to get in touch with Sally Johnston regarding attendance at one of the next meetings.

11. Correspondence

- Planning Applications and Decisions
 - Prior notification of the erection of a telecommunications mast and associated equipment compound – Balcarnie Farm – Permitted Development
 - Change of use, alterations and extension of clinic to form dwelling house – 8 Hazelwood Avenue – Application Withdrawn
 - Alterations and change of use of workshop to form dwelling house - Old Dailly Primary School – Permitted
- Various SAC committee papers
- VASA Newsletters and various info – NBoards
- Girvan and South Carrick Villages Locality Planning Meeting – Wed 14 March 1900hrs Girvan Hospital
- Girvan and South Carrick Villages Locality Planning Group – various updates/info, notes from 14 February
- Stinchar Valley Magazine – Spring 2018
- SAC - Posters for community Notice Boards
- Biosphere latest news
- Galloway National Park Association – request for meeting
- ARA – various temporary road closures in the area
- Scottish Fire and Rescue Community Asset Register
- Community Resilience information for Community Council
- SAC - What do you think of CCTV in public places? Consultation – deadline 23 March
- Scottish Rural Action - Welcome to our February newsletter!

The next meeting is scheduled for 7pm in the Community Centre on Wednesday 4 April 2018.