

Action Note

Meeting:	Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council		
Date / Venue:	Monday 18 February 2019 at Bridgend Community Centre		
Present:	6 community councillors, 2 elected representatives, 18 members of the public and 5 members of Radio City Association. Guest speaker was Mr Allan Wilson of Radio City Association		
	Mrs C. Wigzell (chair), Mr I. Walker, Mr M. Scott,	Mr A. Wright, Mr I. Clifford, Mr G. Keith	Cllr J. Bell, Cllr D. L. Reid,
Apologies:	Police Sgt Joe Murdoch, Cllr A. Dickson, Mr K. Gibson MSP		

ACTIONS

1.	Welcome and Apologies The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted.	
2.	Action Note The minutes from the meeting held on 18 January 2019 were read and approved. Proposed: Mr I. Clifford. Seconded: Mr G Keith	
3.	Police Report Sgt Joe Murdoch had submitted apologies as he is on holiday until Thur 21st Feb	
4.	<p>Guest Speaker – Allan Wilson, Radio City Association</p> <p>Mr Wilson gave a 20-minute presentation and there followed a 40-minute Q&A session. His presentation covered the proposed wind turbine at Standingstone Hill, north of Kilbirnie as well as the proposed hydro scheme near Glengarnock Castle and the community benefits that these two developments aim to provide. All the money from the sale of the electricity generated would be reinvested in some local projects. There were some slides about statistical data which showed some poor results for Kilbirnie in particular and North Ayrshire in general. These local projects are intended to help improve these results.</p> <p>Some of the questions asked included concerns about the quality of the public consultation and the potential for further developments once these projects are complete. One member of the public suggested the proposal overstated the negative state of Kilbirnie and the positive effect of the turbines. Another member of the public asked for specific details about arrangements between RCA and the farmer who owned the land but these were felt to be commercially sensitive and not for public discussion. Mr Walker raised a concern about the impact on access in Milton Road and also the potential damage to the road from the lorries bringing the equipment to the site. A concern was raised about the water intended for use by the hydro scheme as the river sometimes dries out. One member of the public pointed out that there are 30+ houses and businesses in the area not connected to mains water and are spring-fed. She was concerned about the possible effect of the construction works to the springs in the area. There was a concern that the hydro scheme could also disturb salmon spawning beds.</p>	

