

## Action Note

<b>Meeting:</b>	Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council		
<b>Date / Venue:</b>	Monday 17 June 2019 at Bridgend Community Centre		
<b>Present:</b>	6 community councillors, 3 elected representatives, 10 members of the public		
	Mrs C. Wigzell (chair), Mr M. Scott, Miss S. Smith	Mr A. Wright, Mr I. Clifford, Mr G. Keith	Cllr D. L. Reid, Cllr A. Dickson Mr K. Gibson MSP
<b>Apologies:</b>	Police Sgt Joe Murdoch, Cllr J. Bell		
<b>ACTIONS</b>			
<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome and Apologies</b> The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted.		
<b>2.</b>	<b>Action Note</b> The minutes from the meeting held on 20 May 2019 were read and approved. Proposed: Mr I Clifford. Seconded: Miss S Smith		
<b>3.</b>	<b>Matters Arising from Previous Minutes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kilbirnie Mural Cllr Dickson gave an update about the proposed mural and the efforts made to relocate the bins from Craighouse Square</li> <li>• Town Clock Cllr Bell was unable to attend the meeting but he had been looking into the issue of having the clock reset. Cllr Dickson had commented about how it used to be the responsibility of NAC to maintain town clocks, but like red phone boxes, the need for these is largely obsolete because of the availability of mobile phones. Churches now maintain their own clocks. The interesting twist in this case is that the clock is sited on NAC property, however, any restoration will have to be costed and budgeted for, which may take some time. Mrs McConnell gave out some copies of an old poem called "The Co' Nock"</li> <li>• Planning application – proposed new takeaway We were advised that the planning application had been refused.</li> </ul>		
<b>5.</b>	<b>Police Report</b>  Sgt Joe Murdoch put in apologies but sent in a report. We were advised that in the period 17 <sup>th</sup> May to 17 <sup>th</sup> June, there had been 204 calls to the police and 59 crime reports had been raised. There were 224 calls last month and 213 in the same period last year. Of the four North Ayrshire policing priorities: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Drug Dealing and Misuse – 2 call</li> <li>2. Violence and Anti-Social Behaviour – 39 calls</li> <li>3. Dishonesty and Theft – 11 calls</li> <li>4. Road Safety / Road Crime – 28 calls</li> </ol> <p>During this period, there were 61 priority 1 and 2 calls. There were 6 missing person calls and 3 calls with concerns for persons. Of the 59 crime reports, there were 14 thefts with 3 detected, 13 vandalisms with 2 detected, 9 assaults with 5 detected and 9 breach of the peace with 6 detected.</p>		

	<p>With regards to the issue of the abandoned van in the chip shop car park, Sgt Murdoch advised the vehicle was taxed, MOT'd and insured. The owner had been made aware of concerns raised.</p>	
6.	<p><b>Guest Speaker – Sam Hodkinson, Community Link Worker</b> Ms Hodkinson had put in apologies but submitted some notes to be read out.</p> <p>Community Link Workers have a noticeboard in the practice waiting room and information on GP TV screens. They have started a newsletter for the practice (a copy has been added to K&amp;GCC website and Facebook page). They have surgeries on a Monday with appointments lasting up to 45 minutes. They also have home visits on a Thursday afternoon.</p> <p>They are getting more self-referrals along with referrals from the wider practice team. Referrals are up across the service by 35% on last year and engagement has improved by 25%. The team continue to community map across all the localities, which helps populate our website, Carena (Care and Support North Ayrshire) and our Facebook page highlighting community news and events.</p>	
7.	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison McAllister – Stoneyholm Mill are taking part in Doors Open Day on 8 Sept. They also agreed to come to our September meeting.</li> <li>• Kilbirnie Medical Practice Newsletter</li> <li>• Garnock Valley Summer Youth Programme</li> <li>• Gillian Macfarlane – Mental Health First Aid</li> <li>• Melanie Anderson – Scottish Ambulance Service Clinical Response Model</li> </ul>	
8.	<p><b>Planning Applications</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Installation of a mural on gable end of building to include the siting of a bench and two planters on the adjacent land <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Application supported. Cllr Dickson asked for letters of support to be sent to NAC Planning as usually they only get letters of objections to proposals</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Alterations to form sun room to detached dwelling house (High Stane House Kilbirnie Ayrshire KA25 7LE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No objection</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Appeal: Wind turbine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We continue to object to the siting of the turbine on environmental grounds. One positive suggestion made was that the developer may wish to consider building multiple, smaller turbines in Lochshore area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
9.	<p><b>Updates</b> There were no additional updates to be covered</p>	
10.	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Film Club – next meeting is on Fri 28<sup>th</sup> May in the Scout Hall. The movie will be “Ice Age 5”.</li> </ul>	

- Cllr Reid advised the meeting about some recent discussions with Streetscene. There are plans to leave some grass areas uncut to promote a wildflower meadow in both Lochshore and the public park. The park area was proposed to be to the right of the path beside Gowanlea and to the left of the path area from the Ford garage. It was suggested that perhaps the area under the trees up the path to Hagthorne Avenue would be appropriate for a meadow as well. It was further suggested that Streetscene would then trim the edge of the grass to make sure it looked deliberate and not just a missed area for cutting.
- A discussion took place about the state of the roundabout in Kilbirnie cross. Previously, there had been an extensive consultation done on what to do there but it was felt that the final result did not match the proposal from the consultation. This was put down to a miscommunication but it also left a view of scepticism about the value of further consultations if NAC were going to carry on with their own plans, regardless
- Following on from this, Cllr Reid advised that there had been discussions about maintaining the roundabout near Beith Quarry on the A737. Mr Gibson advised that there had been a meeting of the A737 Action Group to discuss how to improve the A737. As Kilbirnie does not sit directly on the A737, we had not been previously invited but he believed that if we wished to get involved then we would be welcome to do so. Their next meeting is on Fri 16<sup>th</sup> August at 2pm in the Boarding House, Howwood.
- Although not yet advertised on NAC's website, the Main Street will be closed for resurfacing between 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> July. Mill Road has recently been resurfaced and will likely be the diversion route.
- There were positive reviews from the recent Volunteer of the Year presentation, including the venue. Thanks to Cllr Reid for being our guest speaker.
- A question was asked about a sandstone mural outside the former Kilbirnie Housing Office. Although the building is to be re-purposed, neither Cllrs Dickson nor Reid were aware of any plans to change the front of the building.
- The mural in the Walker Hall was again mentioned. There are no plans to take any action. It was suggested that a local community group could apply for funding to pay for restoration.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 16 September 2019 at 7.30pm

Speaker: Alison McAllister  
Stoneyholm Mill Trust

Approval: Proposer M. Scott

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