WEST KILBRIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING held MONDAY 14th October 2019, 7.00pm in VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: John Lamb (JL); Kay Hall (KH); Douglas Penman (DP); Deirdre Murray (DM); Richard Campbell-Doughty (RD)

APOLOGIES: George Donohoe (G Do), Clr T. Ferguson (TF), Clr J. Brahim (JB).

ATTENDING: PC. T. Arthur and colleague; A member of the public.

MINUTES: 9th September minutes approved by (KH) and seconded by (DM)

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer (DP) reported that the accounts had been submitted to NAC Finance Department for audit.

POLICE SCOTLAND: PC T. Arthur provided the Crime figures reported from 9th September 2019 to the 14th October 2019. (77) incidents were reported which resulted in (11) crime reports consisting of (1) Theft; (1) Breach of the Peace (with Assault); (1) Vandalism; (1) Dangerous Dog Act;(1) RTA; (1) Communication offence; (5) Assaults (Domestic). Of the (11) offences recorded, (9) were detected. The Police public counter is moving to Brooksby Health Centre in Largs in the near future as the current building is no longer suitable for use.

NAC: Streetscene. No representative attended from Streetscene

CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS:

Peel Ports: The quarterly Liaison Committee met on the 10th September in the Seamill Hydro, attended by (JL) and (DP). The main points: Peel Ports are still analysing the results of the Public Consultation and to date they are still in conversation with prospective partners for the site. There is a delay in removing the last sections of the Conveyor system at the railhead due to Scotrail not being able to give them a date for shutting off the rail line power. **(HOWTTF)** However, the Siemens turbine removal was successfully completed by explosive demolition on the 19th October. The next meeting of the Liaison group should be Spring 2020.

Rigghill Wind Farm: (KH / JL) The company has requested a meeting with the Community Council to discuss their proposal. Their main interest is that we support them and are able to share in the community benefit if the project goes ahead. They have submitted an EIA for the site to NAC Planning detailing their proposal. NAC Planning have accepted the submission. At this stage it is only the Statutory Bodies (NAC, SEPA, Historic Scotland, Inverclyde Council, Country Park, Argyle and Bute Council, Ayrshire Archaeology) who are requested to submit responses. To date no response has been positive in support of the project. (KH) would liaise with Skelmorlie as to supporting them. And would inform the Developer that at this stage we would neither be requesting nor inviting a meeting.

NAC Exec: A New Regional Transport Strategy for Strathclyde – Notice of Forthcoming Briefing and Opportunity to Comment. No update as yet from NAC.

Caring for Ayrshire – Seeking Nominations for public members (Lay Members) for Stakeholder Engagement and Insight Group (Noted)

NAC: Clr Ferguson notified WKCC by e-mail that Thomas Reaney had confirmed additional funds of £91K to improve roads and pavements around West Kilbride Cemetery works due to commence December 2019.

Village Library Uses: After discussing the proposals it was decided that we would arrange a public meeting in conjunction with the Development Group, in order that options could be discussed. (KH) would ask Rhona Arthur (NAC) to attend to give NAC's **position** on the future of the Library building. The suggested dates available for the meeting in the Village Hall are the 27th or 28th November. Initial proposed scenarios submitted by (KH) are as follows:

- (A) Asset transfer to community NAC staff and services (e.g. book supplies) remain Community achieves a commitment of £800 per month to cover all costs
 (B) Asset transfer to community Move computers to the Community Centre Rationalise desk area Move children's library down stairs Find another use for upstairs which has the potential to raise £800 per month
- (C) Library moves to the Community Centre Asset transfer to community
 A new approach is developed in the building which could guarantee £800 per month

West Kilbride Museum: AGM 21/10/19 at 7.30pm. (noted)

TransServ: £5m investment in upgrades to A78 & A8 in North Ayrshire and Inverclyde (Noted)

NAC: Throughout November the Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council are hosting Budget Involvement events across the area.

Have your Fair Say on the Council Budget – help us shape and transform our services. The meeting will be held in Largs Campus on the 12th November 5.30-8pm

NAC Planning Decisions since 9th September 2019

Carry out tree works to 4 trees within an area covered by Law Brae TPO 14B Meadowfoot Road West Kilbride KA23 9BX Ref. No: 19/00605/TPO; Received: Mon 12 Aug 2019; Validated: Tue 13 Aug 2019; Status: **Approved with no Conditions**

Planning Permission in Principle for residential development with associated landscaping, access, engineering and other associated works Site to East of Hillcrest Chapelton Road Seamill West Kilbride Ref. No: 19/00406/PPPM; Received: Fri 24 May 2019; Validated: Wed 05 Jun 2019 Status: APPLICATION WITHDRAWN.

Formation of balcony on top of existing extension to rear of dwelling house 99 Ardrossan Road Seamill West Kilbride KA23 9NF_Ref. No: 19/00674/PP; Received: Tue 03 Sep 2019; Validated: Thu 05 Sep 2019; Status: **Approved subject to Conditions**

Extension to dwelling house 6 Overton Drive West Kilbride KA23 9LH Ref. No: 19/00703/PP; Received: Mon 16 Sep 2019; Validated: Wed 18 Sep 2019; Status: **Approved with no Condition**

UPDATES and ONGOING:

NAC - Future of Public Buildings in West Kilbride a consultation was held in the Village library on the Future of Public Buildings in West Kilbride, which was supported extensively by the People of West Kilbride. The outcome has as yet not been disclosed by NAC.

NAC Roads: Yerton Brae one-way proposals Consultation.

This was held in the Village Library on the 27th, 29th and 30th August. Local concerns were raised, regarding this proposal. The outcome of the consultation has now been disclosed and is as follows: Option A - 32;

- B 12;
- C 5;

D - 27 (total 76). Not in favour of any change 116.

It has been decided by NAC Roads that:

- (a) there would be no change to the road layout on Yerton Brae
- (b) that they would carry out improvement works on the footways at Overton Drive, Pantonville Road and Caldwell Road.
- (c) Install narrow footway signage on Yerton Brae and direct pedestrians via Overton Drive.
- (d) Carry out an extensive letter drop on Yerton Brae, advising of the consultation and request that owners of properties fronting Yerton Brae cut back their hedges to the boundary of their property to improve sightlines and safety.

Trans Serv: A78 extension of 30mph limits to Chapelton and new 40mph limit to southern boundary of Waterside Hotel. This is still ongoing.

LDP2: NAC Full Council on the 17th September approved the adoption of the Reporter's decisions and approved LDP2. Councillors Barr and Ferguson dissented from the vote. The Local Development Plan has now been passed to the Scottish Government Ministers for a 28-day notification period (expected mid Oct), that will mean the LDP is officially adopted.

(KH) requests that WKCC write to the Chief Executive of NAC regarding the lack of a policy regarding the use of existing Brown Field Sites in North Ayrshire in favour of greenfield developments.

AAHB: Surgery takeover: WKCC has written to the new management requesting a meeting to discuss their plans for the Practice. We still await a response.

NAC BUSINESS: Planning applications made since 9th September 2019 that have not so far been decided. See Appendix 1.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS: No Councillors attended.

NEW BUSINESS/ AOCB:

(a) WKCC would contact TransScot regarding the lack of a delay on the filter lane light at the foot of Yerton Brae.

(b) The majority of the Councillors are in favour of supporting the proposed plan for a garage showroom at the vacant site opposite the Barony.

(c) Various groups within the village are prepared to take over certain of those planted areas in the village which are no longer being maintained by NAC; as well as the planters on the station platform and the adjacent garden area.

Meeting closed @ 8.30 pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 11th November 2019 7.00pm in Village Hall

APPENDIX 1

Planning applications not yet decided

Residential development (Phase 6) comprising 18 detached dwelling houses and associated parking and infrastructure

Site to North West of Chapelton Mains Seamill West Kilbride Ref. No: 19/00596/PP | Received: Wed 07 Aug 2019 | Validated: Fri 09 Aug 2019 | Status: **Pending Consideration**

Prior Notification for forestry related building works (non-residential) for forestry access road Site to East of Blackshaw Farm West Kilbride Ayrshire Ref. No: 19/00628/AN | Received: Wed 21 Aug 2019 | Validated: Wed 04 Sep 2019 | Status: Pending Consideration

Erection of detached dwelling house and stable Site to North West Of 15 Thirdpart Holdings West Kilbride Ayrshire Ref. No: 19/00704/PPP | Received: Tue 17 Sep 2019 | Validated: Tue 24 Sep 2019 | Status: **Pending Consideration**

Felling of two holly trees within an area covered by Law Brae TPO

14C Meadowfoot Road West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9BX Ref. No: 19/00742/TPO | Received: Mon 30 Sep 2019 | Validated: Tue 01 Oct 2019 | Status: Pending Consideration