WEST KILBRIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING held MONDAY 14th March 2022, 7.00pm by Zoom.

PRESENT: John Lamb (JL); Kay Hall (KH); N. Armstrong (NA); George Cloughley (GC); Graeme Buckley (GB); Clr T. Ferguson (TF); PC Thomas Andrew (TA),

APOLOGIES: Richard Campbell-Doughty (RD); Douglas Penman (DP); H. Thomson (HT)

APPRIOVAL of MINUTES: The November minutes (KH) Approved (GC) Seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (**DP**) Treasurer did not attend. Later reported that the annual allocation of funds from NAC of £410 had been received, but the underpayment of £39 for VAT on the Zoom Licence had not been refunded.

POLICE SCOTLAND-

PC Arthur provided the following crime statistics from the 14th February to the14th March 2022: - (54) incidents were reported which resulted in (5) crime reports consisting of (1) Drug Offences (1) Housebreaking, (3) RTA.

CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS:

NAC Roads: - Access Steps to Maimhor. No change.

NAC: Village Library- The Village Library (JL) will remain closed for the foreseeable future due to covid restrictions. NAC requested to keep CC updated.

NAC: North Coast Community Chit Chat, -- Cancelled yet again due to Covid restrictions date to be agreed when restrictions are raised.

NAC. Temporary Suspension of Parking and Footway Closure-Ritchie Street. And Yerton Brae. --Noted.

Age Concern:

The proposed letter to Age Concern to thank them for their work and ensure that Age Concern is maintained in the village. Will be dealt with by Kay Hall, she has enlisted additional support but requires agreement from the existing committee to proceed.

NAC: Funding for Play-parks **(TF)** was in discussions with NAC regarding the upgrading of the playparks at Glen Road and at Kirkton Avenue. This is ongoing. Action TF

Surgery: This is ongoing, however personal appointments are becoming more available. However there appears to be a logjam in the issue of repeat prescriptions some taking in excess of a week to process. There are also problems with requesting that the prescription is collected at the Surgery and not automatically sent to Lloyds Pharmacy. This will be taken up with the practice.

ACTION: (JL) ongoing.

Scottish Government-NPF4-

The initial response to the Scottish Parliament Committee request for comments was sent prior to the closing date. The Scottish Government response has been to be completed by (GC) and circulated for additional comments, these have been returned by the 7th March to (GC) for inclusion in the final response. This will be done and returned to Scottish Government by 31st march 2022

ACTION: JL to send to Scottish Government

NAC Local Place Plans Workshop; - (JL)— SG guidelines have been issued and forwarded to members for comment. (JL) and (GC) have started on a draft format. A meeting with NAC took place for clarification as to the format that they are requiring. It now appears that the request for a Local Place Plan will not be requested by NAC till 2023. The basic work has been done it is now only to be refined.

Community Investment Fund: (KH) Application for funding submitted to the NCLPP for a decision on the 1st march. This was approved with access to funds subject to progress on the project.

Local Transport and Active Travel Strategy: - Stakeholder Workshop (JL) attended. This was an ideas troll by NAC, and consultants for ideas. The main output from the discussions has been circulated to the CC members. Regarding W/K transport links, flooding of the A78. That rural villages have different needs and requirements than urban areas with significant public transport. Not all towns are flat and suitable for cycle use.

North Coast locality Planning Partnership;(JL) A great deal of the time was taken up with the ongoing success of the Millport Town Hall Project, this is due to be completed by the third quarter of 2022. The main points of the meeting with regard to West Kilbride was the approval of the WKCI grant award. There were also congratulations to Millport Town Hall. On behalf of the project, Lesley Stringer expressed her appreciation of the significant CIF funding contribution which had helped the group access financial assistance from a variety of other funders. (GB) suggested that West Kilbride should look at this project with an eye to the future.

As this was the last NCLPP before the local elections, thanks were expressed to the existing councillors their attendance and to Clr Alec Gallagher as Chairman. The next meeting will be in June.

SSG; -(JL) Hunterston B: - the SSG was introduced to the new Station Director his predecessor having now gone to Torness. Preparatory works are being carried out prior to the commencement of defueling. All current staff have either been successfully redeployed either taking up places at other stations, retaining on site or taking a retirement package. In response to questions, SSG was assured that there was sufficient flasks available for used fuel to go to Sellafield and sufficient space in the B station ponds for ongoing operations. No final agreement has been agreed with A station as to use of the ILW store for B station waste. ONR have still to agree the reconfiguration of the ILW Store before any agreement can be ratified. The reported oil spill was recovered from the discharge lagoon with no leakage to the environment.

Hunterston A: - The retrieval of ILW waste from Bunker1 is progressing ahead of schedule and should be completed by mid-2022. The sludge debris from the ponds has been transferred to the encapsulating unit for liquid waste. The sludge tanks have now got the equipment to completely empty them and transfer the contents to the appropriate encapsulating system. Work is ongoing on the steel support columns of A station which are showing signs of corrosion.

45 Ardrossan Road / narrowing of A78.- Complaint by C. Dorrian-Janus and M. Taylor and R MacPherson

The Community Council have already informed Dorrian-Janus that the discussion is finished. It is the complainer that is required to approach the Community Council regarding any item that can be taken up with the Local Authority. It is not the job of the Community Council to advise neighbours of a planning application pending. This has already been told by NAC to Dorrian -Janus . It is agreed that there will be no further action from the Community Council. Clr Ferguson has already informed R. MacPherson who stays in the 44 Ardrossan Road of the actions that have been taken and if he wishes to pursue it who to contact. As far as Clr Ferguson is concerned it is finished. Subsequent to the meeting two more e-mails have been received which will be answered.

NAC --LDP3, -- The issue of a draft LDP3 for consultation has been delayed until second quarter 2022 or even 2023. Possibly longer.

XLCC; Planning application has been received by NAC and WKCC will respond with comments. We have to accept that as Hunterston site is part of the national Planning framework as a Strategic Asset and is designated for renewable manufacture, our only comments will be in respect of environment, design, and transport routes which would affect West Kilbride and Seamill. The proposal of 700 permanent jobs and another 200 downstream locally, is a boost to the local economy.

Community Councillor Induction Training; -(GC) noted that the Date was still to be to be arranged.

Hunterston non-nuclear Generation, Battery Storage and Synchronised Compensators. FlexibleGridPower2 Ltd: (JL) no further information at this time. - To clarify concerns investigation drilling has been carried out in the last six weeks due to having to be completed prior to the wild bird nesting season. West Kilbride Website: (KH) this will be reported on in future as current best estimate by second quarter 2022

Glen Paths: (NA) Still no material progress, a walk through has taken place and problems identified and noted by NAC Streetscene. A report of the walk round with NAC has been issued to CC members by (KH) for information.

ACTION: (NA) will continue to monitor.

Community Wealth Building; (NA) Report noted. presentation slides will be circulated when available.

Persimmon Developments: (GC/GB/JL) We note that GC and GB have expressed an interest as they are directly affected by this project. The Application validated and registered on the 8th December 21/01174/PPM, for 220 dwellings and associated infrastructure. We have been advised that all submissions to NAC will be considered now in excess of 150 objections, Head of NAC Planning has agreed that all representations will be available on the website for general viewing. No date has as yet been proposed for presentation to the Planning Committee, but will not be before June.

ACTION: (GC)/(GB)/(JL).

Friends of Kirktonhall Glen; Glen Paths: (KH) F Of KG meeting was held on the 23rd February.it was agreed that we should make strong representations to NAC about the need to proceed with the wildflower meadow. The secretary and other members had met George Taggart, a sports contractor and he has suggested that it might take a sum of £45,000 plus to bring this area up to a usable standard. It was agreed that we consider developing a proposal to put to potential funders, which would offer the alternatives of a one off project and a phased one. Bill C. undertook to produce a draft proposal. Action list from meeting with Streetscene is attached as an Appendix to the minutes.

Town Centre Partnership: (KH)

WKCC Are members of the partnership and their latest report has national credibility. KH will circulate the report and the details of this year's AGM, when they are available.

NAC BUSINESS:

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS: Report from; Cllr Ferguson: - (TF)

NAC Planning Decisions since 14th February 2022:

Installation of Synchronous Compensator and cable route with associated infrastructure Site To South East Of Hunterston B Power Station West Kilbride Ayrshire Ref. No: 21/01135/PPM | Received: Tue 23 Nov 2021 | Validated: Wed 01 Dec 2021 | Status: Approved with Conditions.

Formation of dormer to front and extension to rear of semi-detached dwelling house 6 Merlewood Road Seamill West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9HRRef. No: 22/00052/PP | Received: Mon 24 Jan 2022 | Validated: Tue 25 Jan 2022 | Status: Approved with no Conditions

NAC Planning applications not yet decided

Change of use and conversion of existing barns and outbuildings to form a wedding venue facility with micro-brewery. Blackshaw Farm West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9PGRef. No: 22/00183/PP | Received: Tue 08 Mar 2022 | Validated: Thu 10 Mar 2022 | Status: Pending Consideration

Planning permission in principle for the erection of a high voltage cable manufacturing facility, including detailed planning permission for the construction of a 185m high extrusion tower with associated factories, research and testing laboratories, offices with associated stores, transport, access, parking and landscaping with on-site generation and electrical infrastructure and cable delivery system Ayrshire

Ref. No: 22/00133/PPPM | Received:

<u>Erection of 2 storey extension to rear of detached dwellinghouse</u> 18 Corsehill Drive West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9HURef. No: 22/00119/PP | Received: Thu 10 Feb 2022 | Validated: Fri 11 Feb 2022 | Status: Pending Consideration

<u>Re-slating of part of roof</u> .9 Glenbryde Road West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9NJRef. No: 22/00068/LBC | Received: Thu 27 Jan 2022 | Validated: Thu 10 Feb 2022 | Status: **Pending** Consideration

The removal of 2 no. sycamores and 1 no. beech tree within West Kilbride Conservation area, to include replacement planting 119A Main Street West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9ARRef. No: 22/00067/TW | Received: Thu 27 Jan 2022 | Validated: Tue 01 Feb 2022 | Status: Pending Consideration

<u>Alterations to form balcony on upper floor front elevation</u> 10 Corsehill Drive West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9HURef. No: 22/00022/PP | Received: Wed 12 Jan 2022 | Validated: Mon 24 Jan 2022 | Status: Pending Consideration

Erection of extension to rear of detached dwelling house

91 Meadowfoot Road West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9BZRef. No: 21/01241/PP | Received: Thu 23 Dec 2021 | Validated: Mon 14 Feb 2022 | Status: **Pending Consideration**

Erection of 220 dwelling houses and associated infrastructure and landscaping Site To North of Summerlea Road And West Of Snowdon Terrace Seamill West Kilbride Ayrshire Ref. No: 21/01174/PPM | Received: Wed 01 Dec 2021 | Validated: Wed 08 Dec 2021 | Status: Pending Consideration

AOCB: -

(KH) / **(JL)** / **(TF)** Golf Club practice nets. :(KH) A e-mail has been received from C. McCallum regarding the erection of Practice nets at the golf club. This would not require Planning permission as it is a temporary

structure. The adjacent residents would be advised to approach the Golf Club to see if there can be a reasonable solution. (TF) will check with Planning Department as to the conditions attached to the recent Planning approval.

(JL) Reminder; Government Census Return 20/03/22- members are reminded that the census return is a legal obligation to be completed.

(JL) Consultation document - MSP's Bill on Fly-tipping WKCC will complete the Consultation. Any member can also submit a response.

(GC) requested that (TF) ask NAC Planning to put the condition of any major planning approval that the company involved is a member of "Considerate Contractors".

Forthcoming Meetings requiring WKCC attendance.

Peel Ports liaison Group: - Meeting—April 2022. JL to request GB can also attend.

Meeting closed @8.30pm DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 11th April 2022 - 7.00pm