



MINUTE

**COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING held MONDAY 9th January 2023, 7.00pm
by Zoom**

PRESENT: John Lamb **(JL)**; N. Armstrong **(NA)**; George Cloughley **(GC)**; Kay Hall **(KH)**; H. Thomson **(HT)**; Graeme Buckley **(GB)**; Richard Campbell-Doughty **(RD)**,

Councillors Police & NAC Representatives Present; Cllr Ferguson **(TF)**, Cllr E. Collier **(EC)**. PC Craig Brougham **(CB)** Cllr Murdoch **(IM)**, Adam Lyons

APOLOGIES: PS Mark Semple **(LR)** Cllr Marshal **(TM)**; **(EC)**; Ewan Grant-NAC- **(EG)**; Cllr Hill **(AH)**. Douglas Penman **(DP)**

APPROVAL of MINUTES: The September minutes **(KH)** Approved **(NA)** Seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer report is that the WKCC accounts are now up to date The annual remuneration has been paid less the award we gave to the Village Lottery which was deemed by NAC Finance not to be an administration expense. This will be repaid by the Village lottery (KH) in due course.

POLICE SCOTLAND:

PC Craig Brougham gave the following report on crime for the last month

The crime statistics from the 12th December to the 9th January 2023 were provided – **(93)** incidents were reported which resulted in **(17)** crime reports consisting of: **(7)** Breach of the Peace;**(3)** Theft;**(2)**; **(2)** Housebreaking; **(2)** Breach of Bail;**(1)** Shoplifting; **(1)** Fraud.

(TF) raised the question of police concentration on Digital Crime whereas the Local statistics are more in line with physical crime. It was agreed that there was a requirement for greater Police visibility in the village. **(CB)** said that he would endeavour to attend the Elderly Open Day in the Village Hall on the 26th January

CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS:

NAC: North Coast Community Chit Chat - date still to be agreed by NAC

Surgery: This is ongoing. **(JL)** My request for a meeting with Javid Gilani has not been acknowledged. **(TF)** stated that he had taken the Surgery complaints to NAC and had as yet not received a reply.

NAC Local Place Plans: (GC/JL) a Local Place Plan (Noted and ongoing.)

2022 Round-up: (GC) and (JL) This will be attached to the January Minute.

NAC Budget Update:

The Chief Executive of NAC (Chris Hatton) is holding an open meeting in Largs Library on the 25th January to explain what is proposed for the NAC budget 2023 / 2024. Members are encouraged to register and attend.

MAIL CHIMP: Community Council Mailing List. (GC)/(KH)

After talking to Cumbrae CC and the Initiative who have a similar system in place it was reported that it is simple to set-up and administer. **(GC)** will organise.

WKCC Logo: (GC) has produced a new Logo for WKCC with the assistance of Claire Edgar and Pete Southern, which has been circulated and will be attached to all future communications.

NAC Roads:

Various road closures and restrictions which have been circulated to members.

Friends of Kirktonhall Glen: (KH)(TF)

Applications for funding for the upgrade of all the pitches has now started. A meeting has been arranged with the Sports Club and Football Club for Tuesday 17th January where next steps will be planned. There is a feeling of realistic optimism.

Meetings have also been arranged with paths for All, the Ian Findlay fund to discuss the possibility of solar lighting for a path running from Orchard Street to Chapelton Road by the tractor feature.

NAC Outdoor Access are supportive of developing an off road pathway from the tractor feature to the link with the second bridge pathway to Orchard Street.

Persimmon Developments: (GC/GB/JL)

Transport Scotland have also now submitted a response to the proposed Development. The latest letter to NAC Planning will also be signed by the North Coast Councillors who are supporting the objections to the development. This will take place on the 13th January at Summerlea Road. The next Planning Committee to which the Application can be submitted would be at the January Committee on the 25/01/23.

West Kilbride Community Trust. ---(NA) The applications for 2022 have been decided but the money had not yet been dispersed as bank signatories must be changed. WKCC were encouraged to express interest if they wish to be signatories. A face-to-face meeting still has not been held and has been requested of the current chairman. As there has been no change WKCC will write to Kirk MacRae regarding this impasse.

XLCC: they are holding an information session in Fairlie on the 18th January, having already done a presentation in Largs. WKCC will request that they do the same in West Kilbride in the near future.

NAC BUSINESS:

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

Cllr Collier (EC): She was in favour of the letter to Planning regarding Persimmon Development. She was however currently concentrating on resident complaints, discussion ensued that the state of certain buildings in the village. The state of the premises at the junction of Arthur Street and Ritchie Street was discussed regarding the replacement windows in a Conservation Area and the response she received from Planning. There is also discussion going on regarding the sale of the Wellington Building at the corner of Hunterston Road.

Cllr Ferguson: (TF) had been dealing with residents' complaints mainly on the state of the roads in the village and reporting them to NAC Roads. He was in favour of a letter to the Planning Committee signed by the Local Councillors. It is proposed that this would take place on the 13th January at Summerlea Road, and that there could be additional publicity of the event and support from the Press.

Cllr Murdoch: Likewise, had been dealing with residents' complaints, he did point out that the organising committee of the Yuletide night in December had turned down his offer of the Santa Sleigh from Largs. (IM) was exempted from the Summerlea Road letter as he is on the Planning Committee and cannot express an opinion on the development out with the Planning Committee. He was congratulated on the progress being made with a Men's Shed in Largs which would be open to WK residents.

NAC Planning Decisions since 12th December 2022:

Erection of entrance porch to front of dwellinghouse 1C Thirdpart Holdings West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9QBRef. No: 22/00800/PP | Received: Fri 14 Oct 2022 | Validated: Wed 19 Oct 2022 | Status: **Approved**

Erection of extension to existing detached garage to include habitable accommodation on upper floor 12 Thirdpart Holdings West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9QBRef. No: 22/00788/PP | Received: Thu 13 Oct 2022 | Validated: Wed 19 Oct 2022 | Status: **Approved**

NAC Planning applications not yet decided

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**

Approval of matters specified in conditions 1 - 6 of planning permission in principle ref. 19/00351/PPPM for the erection of 35 dwellinghouses and associated infrastructure works Site To South Of 128-130 Meadowfoot Road West Kilbride Ayrshire Ref. No: 22/00703/MSCM | Received: Wed 14 Sep 2022 | Validated: Fri 30 Sep 2022 | Status: **Pending Consideration**

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Formation of dormer and rooflight to rear and rooflights to front of detached dwelling house alterations to form garage conversion 78 Ardrossan Road Seamill West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9LXRef. No: 22/00944/LUP | Received: Mon 05 Dec 2022 | Validated: Wed 07 Dec 2022 | Status: **Pending Consideration**

AOCB: There was no other business

Forthcoming Meetings;

XLCC meeting Fairlie- Fairlie Village Hall 18/01/23-Circulated.

Budget Consultation -Largs Lib. 25/01/23--Circulated

N/A Community and Locality Planning Conference 2023- 28/01/23-Circulated

Meeting closed @8.10pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 13th February 2023 - 7.00pm by Zoom.

West KilbrideCommunity Council



ANNUAL REPORT-- 2022

Who we are

WKCC was set up after the demise of the old district council. Since we were constituted there has been no break in representation of our community by the Community Council.

We have the following elected volunteers; -

John Lamb (Chair)	Nicol Armstrong	George Cloughley
Graham Buckley (Secretary)	Henry Thomson	Richard Doughty
Douglas Penman (Treasurer)	Kay Hall (Advisor)	

We meet monthly to discuss local issues with a representative of Police Scotland and our local Councillors. Members of our community are welcome to join our meetings and regularly do so, albeit recent Covid restrictions have curtailed attendance. We are currently negotiating use of local premises where we can have face to face meetings with the option of Zoom.

We occasionally invite guests to discuss or present their plans for local issues. Two recent examples were, EDF on the decommissioning of Hunterston B and a NAC on proposals for new Local Development plan (LDP3). Some of the meetings we attend to represent the West Kilbride, Seamill and Portencross communities are as follows: - Hunterston SSG, Coast Locality Partnership, Peel Port Liaison group meetings and Clyde Marine Planning Partnership. We also ensure that our local Councillors are made aware of any local issues brought to our attention and request their assistance in resolution. Now that we have 5 locally elected members, we now have a bigger voice within the council.

Communication

Contact email address wkcc1620@gmail.com

Our monthly approved minutes are posted on NAC website

We issue regular notices on Facebook and we currently tag on to West Kilbride website (www.westkilbrideayrshire.co.uk)

We liaise with local community groups and assist where and when possible.

It is our intention in the new year to invite as many people as possible to sign up to receive our notices and information by using mail chimp.

Again, we reiterate that all our meetings are public and we welcome residents to join whether face to face or on Zoom

Our Finances

Our accounts (Administration Allocation from NAC is less than £500) balanced at the end of the financial year and sent to NAC for audit.

As noted above, **all** our members are volunteers and receive no remuneration for the work they do

Specific work load during 2022

National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4)

We felt it important that our community was heard so we spent some time commenting on these draft proposals. This framework will now become law early in 2023

Planning applications

XLCC submissions have all been scrutinised and responded to. We stand together with Fairlie and Cumbrae Community Councils and will approach any issues regarding XLCC's proposals as a united group

Persimmon's application for 220 houses in Summerlea fields has now been ongoing since December 2021. We have consistently objected and commented on Persimmon's proposals and constantly updated our reasons for objections as new information is submitted by Persimmon. A date for determination of this application is still not set

We successfully lobbied for a tree preservation order for Wild Cat Road and Summerlea Road.

General Planning: We have commented on other applications during 2022 that affect our community, e.g., Tarbet Hill Submission.

Doctors Surgery

We have raised community concerns regarding the level of service from our local practise and we will continue to monitor the situation with the assistance of our local councillors.

Local Place Plans

The preparation of a draft LPP was commenced during 2022 and we plan to complete our LPP during the next year

This plan will be prepared in conjunction with NAC and only after consultation with numerous local groups, our 5 councillors and as many of the local people as possible. The purpose of the plan is to improve West Kilbride as a place by allowing our community to work with local authorities and other public bodies to bring forward proposals that reflect both national and local outcomes and make change easier to happen.

This will be a community-led plan which sets out development and use of our local land.

Hunterston A & B

We have constructively criticised the plans and implementation for decommissioning of both Hunterston A&B at the quarterly Site Stakeholder meetings and will continue to do so.

Peel Ports/Hunterston Parc

We continually keep on top of all development proposals and are heard at the liaison group meetings

The Glen

We actively support the development of sporting facilities in the glen and in particular the provision of all-weather sports surfaces We actively engage with: - The Friends of Kirktonhall Glen, The Sports Club, The Environment Group, West Kilbride Community Initiative etc.

W/K Website:

We supported the development of the West Kilbride web site which has been created to promote local businesses, community groups and various activities within the village.