



Minutes of the Meeting of Beith and District Community Council
Held in Beith Community Centre on Tuesday the 10th April 2023 at 7:00pm

In Attendance:

Helen McNaughton HM Chair, Beith & District Community Council
 Robert Winning RW Treasurer, Beith & District Community Council
 Janet Barr JB Beith & District Community Council
 Cllr Anthea Dickson Cllr AD Ward 2
 Cllr Donald L Reid Cllr DLR Ward 2
 1 member of the public

		<u>Actions</u>
1.	The chair welcomed all those in attendance. Apologies were noted.	
	Apologies: Cllr James Waite, Cllr Sandy Blackwood, Cllr John Bell, Cllr Margaret Johnson, Cllr Ronnie Stalker, Christina Pieraccini, Kenneth Gibson MSP, Patricia Gibson MP, Sgt Douglas Clark	
2.	<u>Police Report:</u> Sgt Douglas Clark was unable to attend. The stats from the report were read out. See Appendix 1 for details.	
3.	<u>Minutes of the previous meeting:</u> The minutes of the previous meeting had previously been circulated and were approved as an accurate record by: <u>Proposer:</u> Robert Winning <u>Seconded:</u> Janet Barr	
4	<u>Matters Arising:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Application 23/00144/PP – 9 dwelling houses at Hamfield House has been approved by NAC Planning subject to conditions but conditions not listed on NAC website. B&DCC had expressed concerns about the proposed access roads. There were other public comments with concerns about this proposal but it appears to be going ahead anyway. • SEPA Online survey has been completed. Some of the phrasing in the survey wasn't always clear but B&DCC had a Teams meeting to share views and understandings as part of the process. 	

5.	<p><u>Planning Applications</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 23/00190/PP Amendment of condition 2 of planning permission 15/00573/DCMS for the continuation of quarrying and the importation of soil forming materials to create a soils growing medium for the purpose of site restoration Trearne Quarry Gateside Beith North Ayrshire KA15 1HQ • 23/00181/PP Demolition of existing agricultural building and the erection of a two storey dwellinghouse to include the provision of parking, drainage and the formation of garden ground (revised design) Thirdpart Farm Greenhills Barrmill Beith Ayrshire KA15 1HJ • 23/00138/PP Erection of extension to dwellinghouse, including the erection of outbuildings within curtilage to form home office, gym, garden store, summer lodge and garage Dockra Gateside Beith Ayrshire KA15 1HG <p>Details of the planning applications have been emailed to those members of the public who attended the March meeting in Gateside. None were present at tonight's meeting. B&DCC have no objections to the listed applications.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Accounts</u> (see appendix 2) Closing Balances: Admin account £390.20 Project account £35,728.73</p> <p>March/ April Movements</p> <p>CC insurance £86.33 renewal - Now to be paid by CC and Claimed back Via NAC - this has been done and claimed back PB budget awarded for Kings Coronation £921.00</p>	
7.	<p><u>Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GVLP and Working Groups <p>JW wasn't present tonight but Cllr AD and Allan Wright (K&GCC) were both present and they had attended the supergroup meeting. One of the items on the agenda was the GV Life app that was developed by Beith Trust. Participation is low: if there isn't enough content, getting people to sign up will be difficult. If there is a low uptake, getting businesses on board to use the app will be challenging. Facilities & Amenities had a project for GV2023 and the latest report from the consultant was that they were to design a logo for branding the Garnock Valley. It was then suggested that instead of a standalone project, the GV Life app could become a tool to help with the GV2023 branding. The app also has a logo based on the geographical boundary of the Garnock Valley.</p>	
8.	<p><u>Locality Participatory Budgeting</u></p> <p>B&DCC were successful in being awarded £921 towards the costs of the Coronation events. The funds received from NAC this morning. See Appendix 3 for full results. The Locality PB paid out a maximum of £1,000 and the Arts & Culture PB paid out a maximum of £400.</p>	
9.	<p><u>Coronation Event – Mon 8th May 2023</u></p> <p>JW and RW have been working on a proposal for activities at Wilson Street garden. The event will likely run from 1.30pm – 4.30pm. The Town House are having an Afternoon Tea from 11am – 2pm and Norrie Brown has a community barbeque at the Community Garden from 4pm so our event will fit in between these other two</p>	

	<p>events. There was a discussion about hiring a bouncy castle but this would require a risk assessment and a licence from NAC, which is unlikely at such short notice. Normally, they want 10 weeks' notice for the licence. The use of the bouncy castle would only be permitted in dry conditions due to risk of burns like carpet burns with the wet material. Another suggestion had been to seek an indoor space, possibly in the Scout Hall, but this would take people away from the garden. Other events are likely to be a DJ music playing and a draughts competition. It was suggested that we ask local businesses to participate in a best dressed window competition, just like at Christmas time. RW would discuss the feedback with JW and advise</p>	RW / JW
10.	<p><u>Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) will be carried out for the B714 Realignment Scheme</u> Works are going on to ascertain the best access for heavy vehicles to get up the hill. There is a proposal to build a smaller roundabout between the main roundabout and the bridge. As well as planning routes for trucks, they also have to identify routes for the parallel cycle route. Bore hole testing is ongoing.</p>	
11.	<p><u>Draft Local Transport And Active Travel Strategy 2023 – 2028 Consultation</u> It is difficult to envisage tangible improvements as a result of this exercise. For example, we have said before that we need a better bus service but Stagecoach is a private company and NAC has little influence over them. Instead, it is seen as desktop research for another project in the future.</p>	
12.	<p><u>Local Development Plan (LDP3) Update</u> The group who are working on Place Frameworks are still working on Kilwinning, Saltcoats and Largs. They are due to come to the Garnock Valley next but there is no start date known.</p> <p>The next stage of the LDP3 consultation is a Place Standard tool where people are asked to rate 14 topics depending on how much improvement they feel that each needs.</p> <p>LDP3 is really important because when developers submit planning applications, if they meet the needs of the Development Plan then there is a predisposition to approve the application, which overrides objection comments / letters.</p>	
13.	<p><u>Wider B777 Corridor Consultation and Online Survey</u> This survey looks at the cycle paths to Garnock Community Campus. There is an in-person event at Bridgend Community Centre on Wednesday 31st of May 2023 between 15:00 and 19:00. As the B777 goes from Glengarnock to Manrahead and then from the A737 to Gateside, it was felt that there should have been a Beith event instead of relying only on Bridgend.</p>	
14.	<p><u>Correspondence</u> 27.03.23 – BCA Calling Notice – AGM on 24.04.23 at 7.00pm 30.03.23 – Beth Trust Letter of Support – Solar – letter sent</p> <p>RW & HM to attend BCA AGM</p>	RW / HM

15.	<p><u>A.O.C.B.</u></p> <p>Fireworks: RW logged on to a Teams call about a consultation hosted by Scottish Community Councils regarding restricting the sale of fireworks but unfortunately the login details were inaccurate as no one else joined the call.</p> <p>Skatepark: B&DCC will sponsor the planning application</p> <p>Ayrshire Joint Valuation Board: Cllr DLR advised that AJVB are reassessing property values for tax purposes. They are also including park areas. This doesn't seem to make sense as the park areas have no income but the Skatepark could face an annual tax bill of approx. £1500.</p> <p>Manrahead Roundabout: Cllr DLR has asked NAC and Transport Scotland who will maintain the roundabout as he and Kathleen are no longer able to do so. It was expected that this would be Amey's responsibility as the roundabout is a key part of the A737 and therefore shouldn't be NAC responsibility. Former B&DCC member Brian Smith has enquired about planting daffodils to try to improve the appearance of the roundabout.</p> <p>Roads programme 2023/24 – Our friends at K&GCC have sent us a list of roads, pavements and street lights to be included in the programme for the new financial year from NAC Roads.</p>	
	<p>With no further public business to discuss, the meeting was brought to a close by the Chair.</p>	
	<p>The next meeting of Beith and District Community Council will take place on Tuesday 9 May 2023 at Beith Community Centre at 7pm.</p>	

Appendix 1: Police Report

Other relevant Information

Data collated between 01/03/2023 and 31/03/2023

116 calls to police resulting in 19 crime reports being raised.

Same time period - Last year calls: 98 Last month calls: 110

1. Drug Dealing and Drug Misuse – 2
2. **Violence and Antisocial Behaviour –**
Assaults: 2 Noise: 0 Disturb: 4 Damage: 3
Public nuisance 1 of which 1 were youth related.
3. **Dishonesty – Thefts - Inc. Housebreakings**
Theft: 11 H/B: 0 Vehicle crime: 0
4. **Road Safety/Road Crime –**
Road traffic matters: 11 Road Traffic Collisions: 10
Road Traffic offences: 1

Immediate calls: 11

Missing Persons calls: 0

Concern for Person calls: 1

Crime Statistics : Monthly Report

Crime Type	Offences	Detected	Issues
Theft	6	2	
Vandalism	3	0	
Communications	1	0	
Road traffic offences	2	1	

Appendix 2: Treasurer's Report

Statement 2022/2023 -BEITH AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Account Overview	Balance	Income (Plus in hand balance)	Expenditure	Bank Balance	Variance
Admin	£390.20	£566.33	£176.13	£303.87	-£86.33
Special Projects	£35,728.73	£35,773.73	£45.00	£35,728.73	£0.00
Overall	£36,118.93	£36,340.06	£221.13	£36,032.60	-£86.33

March/ April Movements

CC insurance £86.33 renewal - Now to be paid by CC and Claimed back Via NAC - this has been done and claimed back
 PB budget awarded for Kings Coronation £921.00 - Received 11/04

Projects Spend Breakdown

	Fitness Project	Kings Coronation PB	Next Event
Cash In	£34,991.50	£921.00	£0.00
Spend	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Overall	£34,991.50	£921.00	£0.00



Appendix 3: Locality PB Results

Locality PB Garnock

Project title	Votes	Price
Cafe Solace	295	£1,000
St Bridget's Primary School Show Group	276	£1,000
Over Sixties Tuesday Club	258	£1,000
Wee School Pantry	256	£1,000
Beith Juniors Community Football Club	173	£999
Men's Shed Dalry	154	£650
Beith Orr Park Neighbourhood Watch	143	£1,000
Beith Lasses and Lads Burns Club	142	£1,000
Dalry Community Sports Club	138	£1,000
Garnock Campus Sports Council	135	£1,000
Garnock Rugby Club	114	£1,000
Beith Cultural and Heritage Society	67	£925
Dalry Action Group	62	£1,000
Dalry Community Development Hub	44	£921
Beith and District Community Council	44	£921

Garnock Valley Arts and Culture

Project title	Votes	Price
The Garnock Valley Community Concert Band	198	£400
Barmill Jolly Beggars Burns Club	137	£400
Stoneyholm Mill Trust	110	£400