

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING held MONDAY 9th October 2023, 7.00pm

PRESENT: John Lamb (JL); N. Armstrong (NA); Kay Hall (KH); H. Thomson (HT) Douglas Penman (DP); Cllr E. Collier (EC)

NAC REP: Heather McVie Branley (HMcVB)

POLICE. No Police available to attend.

PRESS: no press attendance

VISITOR: R. Wooley (RW)

APOLOGIES: Cllr Hill (AH), Cllr Murdoch (IM), Cllr Marshal (TM), Sgt D. Fisher (DF), Cllr Ferguson (TF), George Cloughley (GC), Graeme Buckley (GB), Richard Campbell-Doughty (RD), Adam Lyon (AL), S Groves

APPROVAL of MINUTES: The August minutes (DP) Approved (NA) Seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer report that the WKCC accounts are up to date and there has been no unexpected expenditure in the last month. The accounts for 2023 have been finalised for the end of September.

POLICE SCOTLAND:

The figures supplied by Sgt Fisher are as follows: there have been 6 reported offences in the period to 10th September.

(1) Assault; (1) Theft by Housebreaking, (male arrested in possession of offensive weapon + some drugs); (1) Antisocial Behaviour; (1) Shoplifting; (2) Failure to comply with bail conditions.

The Chairman will meet with Sgt Fisher on the 12th October.

CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS:

Surgery:

There has been no correspondence with AMG during the month, but no improvement has been recorded.

NAC Local Place Plans: (GC/JL)

(GC)(JL) Reported that Local Place Plan has been issued to the public for consultation closed of responses 31/08/23. There were close on 100 comments received. The List of comments and responses have been attached to agenda for your perusal and where appropriate incorporated in the final version. The final version now with the Chairman for approval and will be distributed when this is complete.

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

This is now in operation, to date we have (103) subscribers registered.

NAC / AMEY Roads:

Various road closures and restrictions which have been circulated to members. WKCC has requested that Roads Department consider the implementation of a weight limit on Yerton Brae.

AMEY Roads have now delayed the implementation of crossing points on the A78 in Seamill till at least November.

NAC Licensing: Licence request for a mobile catering facility at the West Kilbride Station was considered by the NAC Licencing committee on the 4th October who decided to reject the application. The Applicant has 28days to appeal but as he has not attended the two hearings, this would appear doubtful.

Hyndman Road Car Park: McTaggart Construction agree that they own the site but deny that they have to maintain it. With NAC legal for a decision on what happens now. This is ongoing.

The Glen (KH) The main item is that the Chairman of Friends of Kirktonhall Glen has decided to retire and a new Chairman found. He has suggested that it is advertised on local media for someone with commitment to the Glen and the ongoing projects coming forward.

Persimmon Developments: (GC/JL) Persimmon had arranged for Ayrshire Archaeological to investigate the site the outcome appears to be negative as to any Archaeological activity on the site. The section 75 agreement is still outstanding as the Planning Decision is still listed as pending. The agreement is still with the Legal departments. **(GC)** raised the question of NAC Roads department accepting the request for an access to the Summerlea site even though it was a condition of the Planning approval that all works regarding the A78 had to be agreed prior to work commencing

Listed building at corner of Main Street and Hunterston Road.

There is now a new owner of the building and currently work is being done on the roof to make it weatherproof. To date no further information has been made available.

SSG: (JL)

Hunterston A: Work is still progressing on de-planting and the solid waste encapsulation system. Bunker1 is forecast to be emptied by October / November 2023. The Sludge tank 3 and now progressing to tank 2. Reactor Roof repair has had good progress over the summer but is still not complete.

Hunterston B: Defueling, Reactor 3 has now been successfully defueled, work on Reactor 4 will commence in November. The Asset Transfer from EDF to Magnox is progressing so that there is a seamless transfer to Magnox after the completion of defueling.

Peel Ports Liaison Committee: (JL)

The new independent Chairman (John Riddle) chaired the meeting.

XLCC: Work is progressing and there will be an exhibition in the Village Hall on the 12/10/23 by XLCC on progress.

Bakkafrost: Has got planning permission for a compound on the Rig Site to start construction works. There is also a Planning application for a Grid stabilisation unit to be constructed on the Ore Terminal site.

Peel Ports are also looking at filling in the Rig Site Basin with the materials that they are currently dredging from the Clyde and would otherwise have to pay for disposal. On the reclaimed site they are proposing an offshore wind turbine construction facility with direct loading onto installation barges. Their reasoning being that there is no facility on the west coast for production.

Crosbie Windfarm Proposal: (JL) (GC), (NA) met with the proposers GALILEO ENERGY expecting that they would have some details of the project. We were disappointed. They had not done any ground investigation regarding the site, which is bog. They were assuming that they could just move the peat to one side to build their proposed 12 turbines and a battery storage facility (50MWH from turbines and 28MWH from the battery storage). They did not know where the Grid connection was, or how they would access the site.

Development at Tarbert Hill.

The current planning application for the removal of the conditions 1-6 on the Planning Approval 19/00351/PPPM has been approved.

However, work on the discharge from the site SUDS area to the Kilbride Burn has started without authorisation from the landowner (WKCIL) and has caused destruction to trees and habitat, this has been taken up by the local councillors. Mr Wooley (RW), as representative and resident from Meadowfoot Road is concerned that the earth moving on the site is unstable and has had SEPA investigating. According to (RW) the material which they have compacted is subsoil and has not incorporated any drainage. The earth bank behind his property is some 5/6mtr high and they are building a retaining structure of small stone

gabions and timber facing to stop failure of the slope. Our NAC Councillors are united in requesting that NAC investigate with planning department as to the compliance with the planning approval issued.

West Kilbride Community Trust. (NA)(JL)

The Trust has made its decisions for 2023 and the recipients have been informed. There has been awards to (12) groups within the village totalling \pm 17731.81 A copy of the awards is attached.

MUGA pitch Update, (KH) (GC) Community Investment Fund CIF

West Kilbride Community Sports Club recently established a development group to seek ways to develop a MUGA on the derelict blaes area in the Glen. The project is very challenging in many ways and may cost up to £500k. **(GC)** reported that the proposal for a synthetic pitch in glen. For 9v9 not possible in location of existing blaes pitch due to underlying sewer requiring unobstructed access. Group are reconsidering their options.

NAC BUSINESS:

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

Cllr Collier: reported that there were no significant actions apart from Licensing and the Tarbet Hill Development in the preceding month.

NAC Planning Decisions since 11th September 2023:

<u>EIA screening opinion for retention of encapsulation facility for further 20 years</u> Hunterston A Power Station West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9RA Ref. No: 23/00566/EIA | Received: Mon 24 Jul 2023 | Validated: Tue 25 Jul 2023 | Status: Scoping Agreed

Section 42 application for non-compliance with condition 01 of planning permission 08/00548/PP (as varied) to enable the extension of the time period for the retention of the Solid Intermediate Level Waste Encapsulation (SILWE) Facility. Hunterston A Power Station West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9RA Ref. No: 23/00552/PP | Received: Thu 20 Jul 2023 | Validated: Tue 08 Aug 2023 | Status: Approved subject to Conditions

Section 42 application for non-compliance with condition 01 of planning permission 09/00409/PP to enable the extension of time for the retention of the Wet Intermediate Level Waste Retrieval & <u>Encapsulation Plant (WILREP)</u>. Hunterston A Power Station West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9RRef. No: 23/00604/PP | Received: Fri 04 Aug 2023 | Validated: Wed 16 Aug 2023 | Status: **Approved subject to Conditions**

Extraction and processing of stone and blending with manufactured aggregate Biglees Quarry West Kilbride Ayrshire Ref. No: 23/00575/PP | Received: Thu 27 Jul 2023 | Validated: Fri 04 Aug 2023 | Status: Approved subject to Conditions

Change of flat roof on north-eastern elevation to pitch, to match existing adjacent roof, and installation of air source heat pump within existing enclosure in curtilage. 9 Pantonville Road West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9NQ Ref. No: 23/00607/PP | Received: Fri 04 Aug 2023 | Validated: Tue 15 Aug 2023 | Status: Approved with no Conditions

Certificate of Lawful Development for existing decking area to rear of detached dwelling house, 3 The Courtyard Crosbie Mains West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9PXRef. No: 23/00576/LUE | Received: Thu 27 Jul 2023 | Validated: Fri 04 Aug 2023 | Status: Certificate Issued

<u>Erection of extension to rear of detached dwelling house</u> 8 Maimhor Road Seamill West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9EE Ref. No: 23/00610/PP | Received: Mon 07 Aug 2023 | Validated: Fri 11 Aug 2023 | Status: Approved with no Conditions

Erection of extension to side of semi-detached dwelling house 24 Goldenberry Avenue West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9LJRef. No 23/00669/PP | Received: Tue 29 Aug 2023 | Validated: Wed 30 Aug 2023 | Status: Approved with no Conditions

Site preparation works, establishment of compound area and initial groundworks including landscaping and other required infrastructure. Hunterston Construction Yard Fairlie North Ayrshire Ref. No: 23/00606/PP | Received: Fri 04 Aug 2023 | Validated: Tue 15 Aug 2023 | Status: Approved subject to Condition

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: Approved by NAC Planning Committee with Conditions, subject to section 75 agreement signature.

<u>Erection of 300mm high venetian style timber trellis on boundary fence</u> 39A Faulds Wynd Seamill West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9FARef. No: 23/00700/PP | Received: Tue 12 Sep 2023 | Validated: Thu 14 Sep 2023 | Status: **Pending Consideration**

Extension and alterations of existing food outlet to facilitate use as a spa. Alterations to roof of hotel building, namely enclosing of roof garden to facilitate indoor gym. Waterside Inn Ardrossan Road Seamill West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9NGRef. No: 23/00711/PP | Received: Mon 18 Sep 2023 | Validated: Thu 21 Sep 2023 | Status: Pending Consideration

Siting of three single storey modular buildings, to be used as welfare facilities (x2) and safety equipment store (x1).Hunterston B Power Station West Kilbride Ayrshire KA23 9QXRef. No: 23/00735/LUP | Received: Fri 29 Sep 2023 | Validated: Tue 03 Oct 2023 | Status: Pending Consideration

AOCB:

In partnership with WKCIL an application would be made for the Democracy Debate funding **(KH)** and a conversation event would be planned with Fiona Garven leading the discussion, both Fairlie and Largs Community Councils were interested in joining. The meeting will take place on the 16/11.23 in the Barony

(KH) to provide a blended meeting in the future the CC would require a laptop and screen, which had now been submitted for Participatory Budget funding. All applications from West Kilbride are now through to public vote. Details of how to vote will be published soon.

(JL) Remembrance Sunday 12/11/23. —Wreath Laying at War Memorial 12.00 noon.

(GC) (JL) XLCC public update presentation takes place on 12th October in the Village Hall 10.30-15.30.

The meeting Closed at 8.35 pm. The next meeting is on the 13th November

The Trustees of West Kilbride Community Trust met on Thursday 17 August 2023 to consider the applications received for grant funding from the Trust. Seventeen applications were received by closing date. The undernoted grants were awarded.

<u>Community Group</u> West Kilbride Civic Society	<u>Grant awarded</u> £1500
West Kilbride Community Initiative Limited	£2461.70
Woodland Wake Up	£1000
WK Out of School Care	£984.60
WK Village Hall	£2909.74
WK Environmental Group	£1430.48
WK Development Group/sub group of West Kilbride Sports Club	£1266.35
WK Allotment Association	£457.45
WK Yuletide/Community Association	£1542
Community Roots	£1829.49
WK Table Tennis Club	£750
WK Early Years	£1600