



**Minutes of the Meeting of Kilbirnie and Glengarnock Community Council**

**Held in Bridgend Community Centre on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**In Attendance:**

Catherine Wigzell	CW	Chair, Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council
Marc Scott	MS	Treasurer, Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council
Allan Wright	AW	Secretary, Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council
Mariette Holland	MH	Member, Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council
James Smith	JS	Member, Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council
Cllr John Bell	Cllr JB	Ward 2
Cllr Anthea Dickson	Cllr AD	Ward 2
Cllr Margaret Johnson	Cllr MJ	Ward 2
Cllr Donald L Reid	Cllr DLR	Ward 2
Christina Pieraccini	CP	Locality Officer
Sgt Douglas Clark	DC	Police Scotland
5x members of the public		

**Action Note**

<b>ACTIONS</b>	
<b>1.</b>	<p><b>Welcome and Apologies</b> The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted.</p>
	<p><b>Apologies:</b> Arche Mathew, Cllr Ronnie Stalker, Kenneth Gibson MSP, Patricia Gibson MP</p>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b> The minutes of the previous meeting were circulated to all present ahead of the meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Proposer: CW                      Seconder: MS</p>
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Matters Arising from Previous Minutes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Parking – Traffic wardens are to start on 28<sup>th</sup> March. They will be issuing warning notices for the first two weeks but from Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April, they will be charging £100 per ticket, reducing to £50 if paid within 14 days but increasing to £150 if not paid within one month.</li> <li>○ EV Charge Points – There is a new repair agency to look after charge points. There are three new charge points coming online soon: Campus, Ladeside Court and Newton Street. There will be three new ones in Beith too: Beith Community Centre, Strand and Bellman’s Close.</li> </ul>
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Police Report</b> Sgt Clark discussed how the supermarkets were targeted for shoplifting, especially for alcohol. In Beith Co-Op, the spirits are now behind glass cases. In Kilbirnie, Tesco has seen an improvement in their surveillance, which has led to an increase in the Police ability to detect individuals stealing alcohol.</p> <p>There is an online petition to get speed bumps / cameras in Milton Road after a resident’s pet cat was killed by a motorist. The new camera on Stoneyholm Road is not yet operational but some</p>

residents have complained about the camera being on Stoneyholm Road and not on Largs Road. Sgt Clark has advised that Traffic Police have been in the Garnock Valley, including in these areas. Unfortunately, although some cars might sound noisy or as though they are going fast, tests have shown that most of them are doing so within the legal limits.

	<b>Garnock Valley</b>	<b>Beith</b>	<b>Dalry</b>	<b>Kilbirnie</b>
<b>Total calls this month</b>	488	154	185	149
Total calls last month	447	151	145	151
<b>Drug dealing and drug misuse</b>	6	0	4	2
<b>Violence and anti-social behaviour</b>	31	7	14	10
Assault	15	4	7	4
Disturbance	13	3	4	6
Vandalism	3	0	3	0
<b>Dishonesty</b>	21	9	0	12
Theft	8	6	0	2
Shoplifting	13	3	0	10
Housebreaking	0	0	0	0
<b>Road safety</b>	0	0	0	0
Road crash of note	0	0	0	0

**5. Correspondence**

- Garnock Valley Locality – Farewell Party
- Nicola Teager – Closure of ICU & HDU at Ayr Hospital – relocated to Crosshouse
- Melanie Anderson – Chairs & Vice-Chairs meeting online Tue 19 Mar

**Farewell Party**

Christina is losing Stewart Beck and Andy Gregory through the early release scheme and she is losing Garry Tait and Garry Brown as they are being redeployed to other areas. There will be two new people joining the team but there is a lot of local knowledge being lost from the team members who are leaving.

**Hospitals**

There aren't enough consultants to run 2x A&E depts so they are merging into Crosshouse

**Chairs & Vice-Chairs**

Marc Scott will attend on our behalf

**6. Planning Applications**

- Pending
- 24/00112/PPM | Erection of residential development of 112 dwellings with associated works including access, parking, landscaping, open space and SuDS | Site To South Of 1 Newhouse Drive Kilbirnie North Ayrshire
- 24/00185/EIA Request for EIA screening opinion for holiday accommodation development Tennox Farm Kilbirnie North Ayrshire KA25 6LX

<p>7.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Garnock Valley Locality Partnership</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dates of next meetings:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Supergroup meeting will be on Wed 1st May at 7pm in Dalry Scout Hall.</li> <li>▪ GVLP will be on Thur 13th Jun at 7pm. Venue TBC</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Place Frameworks TBC.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The new Moorpark PS opening has been delayed again. There is a change to early years provision and out of school care, which allows parents to go to work. Dalry will have full time care but Beith and Kilbirnie's St Bridget's will only offer term-time care. There has been a reduction in the number of childminders in the area. Beith Trust are working on a proposal to boost provision at Beith Astro but we are not aware of any similar external providers in Kilbirnie.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Zurich Insurance</b> We have now paid for the annual insurance policy and provided the account details to NAC. They are now arranging to reimburse us for the policy, which cost us £97.20</li> <li>• <b>Moorpark Care Home</b> There were concerns about staff walking to work and not having footpaths to walk along, especially late at night or very early in the morning. As some staff wear dark clothing, it is not easy to see them.</li> <li>• <b>Funding Fayre</b> There will be a funding fayre in Saltcoats Town Hall on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March from 10-12.30pm. This has been organised by Kenneth Gibson MSP and Patricia Gibson MP</li> <li>• <b>Church Events</b> There will be a concert in Kilbirnie New Parish Church (was St Columba's) on Sun 28 April at 2pm. The church choir will be joined by Irvine &amp; Dreghorn Brass Band. See Cllr DL Reid for tickets (£5).</li> <li>• <b>KTCMI</b> In November, it was announced on social media that the committee behind the Kilbirnie Town Centre Management Initiative was standing down. They are responsible for the Christmas lights in Kilbirnie and Glengarnock. NAC install the lights in Kilbirnie but not Glengarnock. KTCMI need people who are willing to help, rather than funding.</li> </ul>	
<p>9.</p>	<p>There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was brought to a close.</p> <p>The date of the next meeting will be Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00pm in Bridgend Community Centre</p>	

**Appendix 1: Police Report**

**Policing in North Ayrshire  
Community Council Report  
Kilbirnie  
February 2024**



**Policing Priorities in North Ayrshire**

- Drug dealing and drug misuse
- Violence and anti-social behaviour
- Dishonesty
- Road safety

Figures collated for dates from 01/02/2024 to 29/02/2024

Garnock Valley total calls this month 488  
Garnock Valley total calls this month last year 354

<b>Kilbirnie</b>	149				
Drug dealing and drug misuse			2		
Assault	4	Disturbance	6	Vandalism	0
Theft	2	Shoplifting	10	Housebreaking	0
Road crash of note					

<b>Dalry</b>	185				
Drug dealing and drug misuse			4		
Assault	7	Disturbance	4	Vandalism	3
Theft	0	Shoplifting	0	Housebreaking	0
Road crash of note					

<b>Beith</b>	154				
Drug dealing and drug misuse			0		
Assault	4	Disturbance	3	Vandalism	0
Theft	6	Shoplifting	3	Housebreaking	0
Road crash of note					

<b>Crime Report Details</b>		Total for this month	43
	No of reports	No detected	
Theft	3	0	
Theft by shoplifting	7	6	
Vandalism	2	1	
Road traffic offences of note			