

Minutes of Fairlie Community Council Meeting Monday 05/05/25

7.30 pm Semple Centre, 45 Main Road, Fairlie

The meeting was declared open at 7.30 pm

Attending: Rita Holmes , Alan Holden (taking minutes), Gaye Nelson; Malcolm Milne; Jackie Pearson, Mhairi Mitchell, Arran Hewlett.

2 members of public.

NAC: No representatives.

Police: Sgt Donald Fisher

Apologies:

Marco Piva

Ian Hunter

Councillor Tom Marshall

NAC FCC Previous minutes 7th April 2025.

Proposed by Mhairi Mitchell, seconded by Jackie Pearson.

Police Report.

In March 4 crimes and 2 fraud cases have been reported.

A quantity of wood was stolen from Kelburn centre.

There was a report of a person hit by a wing mirror by driver in Kelburn.

New graffiti on Clydeport rail bridge. Police think they may know who did it.

Traffic issues --The A78 through village does not meet the required safety score for more restrictions to stop or restrict speeding.

Several comments about cars and speeding motorbikes heading through the village,

A MoP has written to Transport Scotland about the two recent accidents to lamp posts and railings at South end of village. No action planned yet.

Police made no comments about recent grass fires on the grassland above the village.

Suspected caused by youngsters and BBQ's.

NAC Councillors Report.

No councillors were present to give reports or updates.

1. Local Place Plan.

The plan has been printed and copies as agreed have now been distributed around Fairlie as proposed,

Total cost was £930. (£380 + 140 + 410).

As proposed that this cost would be met out of FCC funds and also from the Fairlie Community Trust (FCT).

Rita Holmes has said that she will apply to FCT to pay half and half from FCC funds.

There was a query about whether we would get any financial help from NAC, not known if we will get anything.

2. Crosbie Wind Farm Application

FCC Response along with individual objections has been sent and is in the NAC website. Also objection sent to Scottish Gov Energy Consents Unit.

It is noted that the previous 'Wind Capacity Study' said there should be no windmills on Kaim Hill.

The Grosvenor Consultants no report to us about the work on the Noise report.

We are hopeful that air traffic control objection will stop the plan going ahead. .

3. Hunterston Parc Liaison Committee Meeting

This latest meeting was on 16th April 10.00 – 12.00 at the site.

(i) XLCC. The latest plan is to start work on the tower foundations in June this year.

Because approved plans for the tower run out in June this year.

But it was noted that no lease agreement for the land has yet been signed with CLYDEPORT.

Recently noted planning application in public press notices for permission to build two concrete mixing / batching plants on Clydeport land Hunterston.

XLCC have recently stated that the cable sizes to be produced plans may now change, so as to allow other sizes of cable manufacture. Not one size for 525Kv.

There is no report of UK Government agreement for power supply via X Link to the UK. system from Morocco,

4. Hunterston SSG

The next meeting is Thursday 12th June at 13.30 at the Waterside Inn, Seamill. It is open to the public. Site has now been declared 'fuel free'.

HSSG has responded to 3 SEPA consultations. The latest regarding plans for 'Near Surface disposal of radioactive waste'.

Security Police are still working from Hunterston.

5. Battery Energy Storage Site planned for Kelburn land. BESS.

A public meeting is planned for Kelburn at 22May times for 3 - 7pm. FCC members have concerns about fire and explosion risks.

6. A.O.B.

(i) Accident at the south end of Fairlie.

No comments received regarding the recent accidents or our request for a permanent speed camera at the South end of village.

(ii) Coastal Path

This is being well used. NAC are planning a beach clean/ workshop. Will it include Fairlie?

(iii) Swingpark -- Fouling by Seagulls.

A report that the swings are being fouled due to perching seagulls.

The next FCC meeting is scheduled for Monday 2nd June at 7.30pm in the Semple Centre.

Meeting closed at 9.05pm.