



Minutes of the Meeting of Beith and District Community Council
Held in Beith Community Centre on Tuesday 13 January 2026 at 7.00pm

In Attendance:

Helen McNaughton	HM	Interim Chair Beith & District Community Council
Robert Winning	RW	Interim Treasurer
Liam Wallace	LW	Community Councillor
Shona Pennie	SP	Community Councillor
Maddie Cassells	MC	Community Councillor
Christina Pieraccini	CP	Locality Officer
Cllr Anthea Dickson	Cllr AD	Councillor
Cllr Ronald Stalker	Cllr RS	Councillor
Cllr Donald Reid	Cllr DR	Councillor
Sgt Stevie Presslie	Sgt SP	Police Scotland

		<u>Actions</u>
1.	<u>Welcome and apologies</u> HM welcomed everyone to tonight's meeting Apologies Cllr Margaret Johnstone and Cllr John Bell	
2.	<u>Confirmation of Office Bearers</u> Following the election, CC members have agreed the following: Chair – Helen McNaughton – proposed RW & seconded SP Vice Chair – Liam Wallace - proposed HM & seconded SP Treasurer – Robert Winning - proposed HM & seconded SM Minute secretary – Shona Pennie - proposed SP & seconded HM Members: Susan Montgomery and Maddi Cassell HM confirmed following Scheme of Establishment review it is proposed that maximum CC membership will reduce from 10 to 7 in the next election in 4 years time BDCC has 4 vacancies – HM will advise NAC committee services New gmail addresses to be set up for SP; MC; LW & SM Badges to be ordered for SP; MC; LW & SM	HM RW

3.	<u>Police update</u> See Appendix 1	
4.	<u>Minutes of the previous meeting 13.11.25</u> Proposed - RW Seconded - SP	
5.	<u>Matters arising</u> Our Garnock Valley Place Plan – Scotland Towns Partnership and SG regeneration team visit the Garnock Valley on 16 December. They were delighted to see the ongoing work being carried out and have offered their support. Anderson Hotel – Cllr DR advised that the roof has been made safe A737 Bypass Project – BDCC will write to SG and other parties to seek funding	
6.	<u>Planning Applications</u> MOD Beith Alteration and site design – Gatehouse and site approach – no objections	
7.	<u>Accounts</u> Admin £449.45 Special Projects - £822.46 - Funds were moved from SP to Admin while awaiting the NAC top up this as now been returned to the Special projects account - The NAC top up of £459.45 has been received for the annual admin top up. - We have received 0.02p as an overdraft charge in the admin account - We have interest in our special projects totalling £0.39p	
8.	<u>Best Dressed Christmas Window</u> HM reported that The Little Gift Shop was first, Curiosity was second and OneWay was third. HM presented at the Lights and laughter event. HM noted that it was a successful event run by Beith town initiative and has received a thank you letter from BTI for our support.	
9.	<u>CC Training</u> Licencing and Planning will provide information to support CC's understanding – 20.01.26 at 700pm in Dalry Library.	All
10.	<u>Arthur Mann Miller Homes Report</u>	

	See Appendix 2	
AOCB	1. Our Garnock Valley – terms of reference will be completed soon. GVLP have agreed to adopt the 8 themes as the GV priorities. A meeting with NAC Heads of Service has taken place and they are very supportive. Future meetings with HOS will be set, 2. In township scheme - Inclusion Scotland – funding is re-opening – MC to provide updates 3. Litter pick – RW & SP to explore 4. Citizen of the Year to be added to next agenda 5. Cllr RS advised that Lochshore Hub will re-open with new café tenant in April- The rugby Club will support road improvements as it is a non-adopted road – potholes to be fixed 6. Cllr DR advised that the bridge after Beith MOD will be removed as part of road improvements 7. Cllr DR advised following up on bus stops at Chestnut and Mains Road 8. Cllr AD to follow up on parking at Bellsdale. Cllr DR advised Hunterston Estates own the land at either side of the Redbrae. 9. Orr Park boundary wall – Cllr DR to update HM thanked everyone for attending. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 10 February 2026 at 7.00pm in Beith Community Centre Lounge.	MC RW & SP Cllr DR Cllr AD Cllr DR

Policing in North Ayrshire
Community Council Report
Beith
December 2025



POLICE
SCOTLAND
 Keeping people safe
POILEAS ALBA

Policing Priorities in North Ayrshire

Drug dealing and drug misuse

Violence and anti-social behaviour

Dishonesty

Road safety

Figures collated for dates from 12/12/2025 to 09/01/2026

Garnock Valley total calls this month 314

Garnock Valley total calls this month last year 404

Kilbirnie		99			
Drug dealing and drug misuse			0		
Assault	0	Disturbance	7	Vandalism	2
Theft	2	Shoplifting	4	Housebreaking	0
Road crash of note					0
Dalry		103			
Drug dealing and drug misuse			0		
Assault	2	Disturbance	2	Vandalism	1
Theft	0	Shoplifting	0	Housebreaking	0
Road crash of note		2 - 1 report for Careless Driving.			
Beith		152			
Drug dealing and drug misuse			1		
Assault	2	Disturbance	5	Vandalism	5

Theft	2	Shoplifting	11	Housebreaking	0
Road crash of note		1 - 1 female reported for Drink Driving			

OFFICIAL

Crime Report Details		Total for this month	33
	No of reports	No detected	
Theft	4	0	
Theft by shoplifting	5	2	
Vandalism	2	0	
Road traffic offences of note	3	3	
1 x Careless Driving, 1 x Drink Driving, 1 x Drug Driving			

Your Community Policing Officers

Your policing team covers the Garnock Valley and is led by Inspector Michael Cowan

Sgt Steven Presslie

PC Fenella Corlett

PC Adam McKinlay

PC John Murdoch

PC John Scott

Contact us

In an emergency always call 999

For non-urgent incidents you can use the following to report incidents to
Police Scotland

Dial 101

By completing the Contact Us Form on www.scotland.police.uk

Our Twitter and Facebook sites are not for reporting crime and are not monitored 24/7

Twitter - @PSOSNAyrshire

Facebook - PoliceScotlandAyrshire

Email our team on - AyrshireLPSTGarnockValley@scotland.police.uk

December has been a busy month for officers in the Garnock Valley, although there has been a decrease in the number of calls in comparison to the same period last year. As is often the case at this time of year, there was an increase in retail crime with a number of thefts by shoplifting reported. Enquiries are ongoing to identify the offenders and report them to the Procurator Fiscal. Over this period, there have been seven vehicle thefts in the Garnock Valley area, although this is on the increase across the country with specific car types being targetted via a method known as relay theft. Enquiries are currently ongoing to identify the offenders and bring them to justice. Residents in the GV area are reminded to

be conscious around their vehicle security and consider investing in Faraday pouches which block signals from vehicle key-fobs and should prevent this type of theft. PS Steven Presslie.

Manse Field – update from Miller Homes Ltd (“Miller”).

1. The area where sycamore trees that were erroneously removed by our ground works contractor will be replanted with replacement semi mature sycamores within the next two weeks – this has now been agreed with North Ayrshire Council.
2. The proposed right of way – we have agreed a temporary right of way with the Council which runs round the perimeter of the site for now but will be replaced by the new road and path network within the site once the development is complete. The temporary route is shown in green on the plan below. The relevant legal paperwork is underway between Millers solicitors (Shepherd & Wedderburn LLP) and the Councils own legal team in house.
3. Miller have a community fund which I would encourage you to share with the wider Beith community (see link) Community grants of between £250 to £2000 are awarded to successful applicants and the fund will be open again for applications in March this year. [Miller Homes Community Fund | Improve Your Community](#)
4. We discussed your annual Citizen of the Year ceremony and the benefits of sponsorship from local business's and business activity – I will discuss this internally to see what can be done on that specific matter. We discussed how Miller had already started engaging with the wider community local social and sporting clubs and again we will look to update you regularly on that as the project progresses.
5. As discussed the site is now under construction and we are launching our sales presence on the 31/1/26. Prices are expected to range from £275k for a 3 bed semi-detached house to £420k for our largest 5 bed detached home. More details will be made available on our web site nearer the time - [Manse Field | New Homes In Beith | Miller Homes](#)