

KIRKMABRECK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting on 10th October 2022 commencing 7.00 pm at the Quarrymen's Art Centre

1. Present:

- (a) Martin Armstrong (Chair), Sandra Sainty (Secretary), Peter Lupton (Treasurer), Peter Sainty, Agnes Heron, Isobel Campbell.

One member of the public attended, and E McGaw joined the meeting by invitation at Item 5.

Apologies

David Wright, Jim McDowall, Roger Cope

- (b) Roger Cope had completed the Nomination Paper for Co-Option and the Secretary asked the meeting to confirm that Roger Cope should be co-opted to the Kirkmabreck Community Council. The meeting was in full agreement.

Martin said he would take the Nomination Paper for Co-Option for Seb to complete for the next meeting.

2. LOCAL REPORTS

(a) POLICE

The report for September had been emailed prior to the meeting. *Copy Attached.*

(b) ELECTED MEMBERS

No Elected Members attended. It was agreed that Martin should write to the Councillors as we have not been visited by any of them for at least 3 months.

Sandra informed the meeting that Sandy Whitelaw had resigned as a Councillor.

(c) PLANNING

A planning application had been received to demolish the old Evangelical Church. Agnes Heron said that this had now been withdrawn as a buyer had come forward.

Martin raised the alterations to the Petrol Station and whether planning approval had been received for the changes that were being made. Peter Sainty said he would speak to Derry to find out who we should talk to regarding their plans.

Martin said he would write to the Planning Department to ask them for their opinion.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting on 12th September 2022 were approved.

Approval of the Minutes proposed by M Armstrong and seconded by A Heron.

ISSUES ARISING

No movement on the Development Plan or the Place Plan although it had been heard that Creetown Initiative were not taking on any new projects. Martin to speak to the Trustees to find out what is happening.

EV Charges – an email had been received from a resident regarding the car park, it was agreed that this should be forwarded to the Council for their opinion.

The cheque for £250.00 had been sent, Sandra to find out who the cheque should be payable to for the Creetown Baby and Toddler Group so that their cheque can be sent.

The caterer cannot do the Christmas dinner, Agnes looking into alternatives.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

An email had been received regarding the layby and bench on the road out of Creetown which were in a bad state of repair. Sandra had contacted the Council and they had said that the layby would be assessed and placed on the usual listing. The Council did not own the bench.

This was discussed and Martin said that he would look at it and see if it could be repaired.

Another email had stated that the bench by the bridge had been pulled over and needing repairing.

Sue Herne had written suggesting a “Community Fridge”, this was discussed regarding where it could be sited and how to obtain volunteers to look after it.

Kilgallioch Fund had requested a breakdown on the expenditure for their £2000.00 grant. Sandra to complete this.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A discussion took place regarding the ownership of the Arch under the bridge next to King George V Playing Fields. Martin to speak to Creetown Initiative.

The Youth Hall has had a request for payment of water rates, which they have not paid before, and Eddie had come to the meeting to discuss what needed to be done. Martin said that he would contact the necessary people and explain to them that the building belongs to the Community Council and is therefore exempt from rates. If necessary, the Youth Hall should be set up as a registered Charity.

Eddie also took the opportunity to show the Community Council the “Roon the Toon” game that they had developed which is based on “Monopoly” but based around Creetown.

The Ellangowan has been surveyed and there is a considerable amount of dry rot. Nothing further is known.

There is a tree down on the path behind the Mangling Field which needs to be removed.

Sandra discussed the Remembrance Service on the 13th November at 1.00 pm.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

14th November 2022 commencing at 7.00 pm at the Quarrymen’s Art Centre.

APPENDIX 1 - POLICE REPORT ATTACHMENT

<p style="text-align: center;">POLICE SCOTLAND</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT</p>
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Community Council – Kirkmabreck
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Date of Meeting - 10/10/22

Officer Attending / Report Prepared By - PC V0311 Osborne
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<u>Updates Required / Requested From Previous Meeting</u>
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N/A

<u>Crime Update (cover Performance / Issues / Trends)</u>
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A cross section of incidents (not all) in the Kirkmabreck CC area reported to Police since 12.09.22. Other reported incidents in the Mid Galloway area attended on a month to month basis by Newton Stewart section officers are contained within each respective Community Council report for the area each incident has occurred.

The incidents reported each month are an accurate representation of what's reported to ourselves via our crime recording platforms on a monthly basis which is in turn shared with yourselves at each CC meeting.

It is respectfully requested that members and attendees of the Community Council **do not** report personal and private non CC issues during the meeting, or wait until the monthly CC meeting to report any community related incidents or concerns that they have or reported to themselves, but report same as and when they occur throughout the month to Police Scotland, and encourage others to do likewise in the normal manner via attendance at Newton Stewart Police Station, via the 101 system, the 'Contact Us' forum on the Police Scotland website, or in an emergency by the 999 system. This in turn creates an official record of the report, allowing it to be graded accurately and allocated, provides accountability, prevent's unnecessary delay and gives the best opportunity for any timely investigation required.

1. 15/09/22 – Domestic incident -1 person arrested and interviewed, later released, no charge.
2. 17/09/22 - 2 car RTC – Driver reported for careless driving.
3. 26/09/22 – Sextortion – Intimate pictures exchanged and a demand made for money. Enquires ongoing.

Significant Incidents / Occurrences - (Local / Divisional / National)

Community Issues

Please find the attached documents from the SFRS and SSPCA regarding advice relating to bonfires and fireworks.

Matters brought to Police attention by Council

Response given to above points at the meeting

N/A

Further action to be taken regarding above points

Section Sergeant (Comments

Area Inspector (Comments)