

ROYAL BURGH OF KIRKCUDBRIGHT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Royal Burgh of Kirkcudbright Community Council in Daar Road, Kirkcudbright on Wednesday 13 September 2017 at 7pm

Present:	Mrs Lesley Garbutt	Chair
	Mr D McHale Mr D Campbell Mrs K Lowe Mr L Forbes Mr P Smith Mr R Asbridge Mr G Halliday	Dumfries & Galloway Councillor
In attendance:	Ms D Craig PC Simon Kennedy Mr Stuart Gillespie	Secretary Police Scotland Dumfries and Galloway News
Apologies:	Mrs P Gilroy Mrs J Maitland Mrs M Maxwell Mr B Thomson Mr J Johnson Mr D Collins	Dumfries & Galloway Councillor Dumfries & Galloway Councillor

Kirkcudbright in Bloom

Mrs Garbutt thanked everyone for attending the awards and went on to thank everyone for all their efforts in making the town and community of Kirkcudbright such a lovely and colourful place to live. She also thanked Mr McHale as the Kirkcudbright in Bloom convener.

The awards were then presented to the recipients and the awards ceremony ended.

Mrs Garbutt thanked everyone for attending the meeting and it was agreed that a card should be sent to Mr Collins following his very serious accident.

1. **Minutes of the previous meeting on 12 July 2017**
These were approved, proposed by Mr McHale and seconded by Mrs Garbutt.

2 **Business arising**

Traffic calming

Mrs Garbutt asked Mr Campbell to follow up the situation regarding traffic calming at Castle

Sod and the Creamery.

Garden opening

Mr McHale reported to that another £2050 had been raised for the swimming pool by opening the Limes. Everyone thanked Mr McHale for his efforts.

Selkirk Cross

Mrs Garbutt reported that once again she has received complaints from visitors and business owners regarding the shambolic display surrounding the Selkirk Cross. Everyone agreed that it was becoming an eyesore and that a letter would be sent to the businesses and organisations involved asking them to remove their notices before further action could be taken.

Mill Burn

After reports of a tree coming down and the surrounding area being unsafe to walk on, Ms Craig agreed to follow this up.

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- a. **Police:** PC Kennedy reported that it had again been a relatively quiet period and figures indicated that there had been a reduction in the number of complaints regarding the gathering of youths at High Park.
PC Kennedy also agreed to speak to Mr Asbridge about the security of a building to be constructed in Barhill Woods.
- b. **Dumfries & Galloway Councillors:**
Mr Campbell reported that there had been a visit to the National Museum of Scotland to see the Viking Hoard. There was, he said, a summit meeting due to be held regarding the distribution of the Hoard and he asked for support from the CC and other organisations in getting as much of the Hoard on display in Kirkcudbright as possible. He also commented that all three councillors were committed to the Hoard coming to Kirkcudbright.
- c. **Chamber of Commerce:** Funding had been secured for the Christmas lights and an application had been put in for the installation and maintenance of the lights.
- d. **Kirkcudbright Forum:** Nothing to report.
- e. **Incorporated Trades:** Mr Smith reported that there had been a hugely successful Tattoo and Maggie's Tours and the AGM was due to be held in the Tolbooth.
- f. **Kirkcudbright Development Trust (KDT):** Mrs Garbutt reported that £1.2 million had been raised for the Johnston School, which every agreed was an amazing effort. She also said that other funding applications were in place for the remainder of funds that are needed. She also said that Silvercraigs Caravan park had continued success through the summer and a SLA was now in place.
Mr Asbridge then presented maps and reports of plans for the Barhill Woods. Everyone agreed the projects of a study classroom and bike trails were excellent ideas and the CC offered Mr Asbridge its full support.
- g. **Kirkcudbright Academy:** Nothing to report.
- h. **Community Centre:** No one present.

- I. **St Cuthbert's Trust:** Mr McHale reported that the Trust was in discussions with the interim minister.

Stewartry Area Committee (SAC) Nothing to report

Common Good Fund (CGF)

KBT Development Trust £100,000 for Johnston School – approved.
Mrs Garbutt and Mr McHale declared an interest.

Planning

Nothing to report.

Turbines: the Chamber of Commerce was planning to write and express its dismay at Dumfries Chamber of Commerce's support for the Knockendurrock Wind Farm.

Correspondence - All correspondence had been forwarded by email.

Any other competent business

Remembrance Sunday– It was agreed that the Commander of the Sea Cadets be contacted with regard to leading the ceremony,

Harbour Gardens – Mr Halliday wished to thank the pupils of the Academy for their efforts with the planting of the gardens.

Kirkcudbright in Bloom – Mrs Garbutt reported that this year's ceremony almost had not happened due to a lack of volunteers. It was agreed therefore that next year, photographs of the gardens etc would be displayed and it would be down to a public vote.

Provost Robes – It was agreed that Mrs Garbutt apply for funding to have the robes repaired.

St Cuthbert Street – Mrs Garbutt reported that many of the performers at the tattoo had complained about the poor state of the road. Ms Craig agreed to follow this up.

B727 Wildlife Park road – Ms Craig agreed to find out why the road repairs had not been finished.

Burns Association – It was agreed that Ms Craig send a letter on behalf of the CC congratulating Mr McIntyre on his recent appointment as World President of the Burns Association.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8.30
The next meeting is to be held on 13th September.

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