

ROYAL BURGH OF KIRKCUDBRIGHT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Royal Burgh of Kirkcudbright Community Council in Daar Road, Kirkcudbright on Wednesday 13th December 2017.

Present:	Mrs Lesley Garbutt	Chair
	Mr Brian Thomson	Vice Chair
	Mr L Forbes	Treasurer
	Mr D Campbell	Dumfries & Galloway Councillor
	Mrs K Lowe	
	Mr P Smith	
	Mr D Collins	

In attendance:	Ms D Craig	Secretary
	Mr Stuart Gillespie	Dumfries and Galloway News
	Ms Laura Baillie	Student Representative

Apologies:	Mrs J Maitland	Dumfries & Galloway Councillor
	Mrs P Gilroy	Dumfries & Galloway Councillor
	Mrs M Maxwell	
	Mr J Johnson	
	Mr David McHale	
	PC John Brown	Police Scotland

1. Sederunt and apologies: as above
2. Minutes of the previous meeting on 8 November 2017
These were approved, proposed by Mr Collins and seconded by Mrs Lowe.
3. Business arising
Mr Collins reported that the IT were looking into creating A frames for Selkirk Cross as well as the repair of the Kirkcudbright signs.

Mrs Garbutt reported that the Citizen of the Year event went well, whereas the Remembrance Day Parade was shambolic, which was very unfortunate as a lot of people had gone to a lot of trouble trying to organise the event. It was agreed that a sub-committee be formed from the CC to join with the Incorporated Trades in getting the event organised. It was also suggested that the Range at Dundrennan might be involved next year.

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 - a. **Police:** PC Brown had emailed Ms Craig with the following report: the annual Christmas Drink Driving campaign was underway as well as anti-shoplifting patrols. He also reported that the double yellow lines at the Selkirk junction were in fact wrong and were going to be repainted.

 - b. **Dumfries & Galloway Councillors:**

Councillor Campbell reported that following a full council meeting, phase 3 of the consultation of the scheme of establishment was due from 5th February - 30th March and the CC would have an opportunity to comment on the document.

He continued: the Local Development Plan hadn't made the agenda for the meeting as councillors felt they hadn't the time to fully consider public comments (there had been over 500 submitted).

There was to be an Active Travel Survey held in the town in March 2018. It was hoped these would address the issue raised by a disabled resident about the accessibility and infrastructure for disabled in Kirkcudbright.

He finished by saying that a road safety survey was being carried out from the Stell to the bridge and speed activates signs were being considered.

Councillor Campbell then left the meeting.

 - c. **Chamber of Commerce:** Mrs Garbutt reported that Christmas lights switch on was a great success and it was agreed that a letter be sent to the Chamber.

 - d. **Kirkcudbright Forum:** Mr Forbes reported that applications to the Common Good Fund and the SAC had been submitted for funding of the 2018 brochure.

 - e. **Incorporated Trades:** Mr Collins reported that the Burns Supper was to be held on the 24th February next year.

 - f. **Kirkcudbright Development Trust (KDT):** Mrs Garbutt reported that plans were progressing well for the Johnston School and there was to be the launch of a brochure for public funding for the remaining amount needed. The caravan park was also going well.

 - g. **Kirkcudbright Academy:** Ms Baillie reported that the Christmas Dances were to be held the following week and fundraisers were currently being held to aid Habitats for Humanity. Mr Thomson also reported that following an event held in conjunction with the Rotary, a total of £3000 had been raised thanks to the contribution of the Bill Gates Foundation.

 - h. **Community Centre:** No one present.

 - i. **St Cuthbert's Trust:** An update was planned for parishioners.

5. **Stewartry Area Committee (SAC)** Nothing to report

6. **Common Good Fund (CGF)**

An application for the funding of the Visit KBT 2018 brochure had been submitted by the Forum. The amount had been agreed by the CC.

The CC also discussed at this point, the KBT Skate park project as reports were due to be submitted to the CG Fund Committee the following day. Mrs Lowe declared an interest, while Councillor Campbell who had left the meeting, had also declared an interest. It was agreed unanimously that full support be give to the project with the provisos: Should the project fail, the land would automatically revert to the CG Fund. Also, provision should be made to protect the young trees that are currently situated on the site.

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Planning

Nothing to report.

Turbines: Nothing to report.

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Correspondence - All correspondence had been forwarded by email.

Any other competent business

Bins removed from lay-bys– Mr Collins raised the issue of bins being removed from lay-bys. Everyone agreed that this would be a false economy and it was agreed that Ms Craig raised this issue with the CC Enquiry service.

Pavements on St Cuthbert's Street – Mr Forbes reported that the pavements were getting worse and it was agreed that Ms Craig raise this issue with the CC Enquiry service.

Festival of Light – Mrs Garbutt reported that everything was going to plan for the opening of the gallery and there was going to be an International Festival of Light.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8.15

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