

ROYAL BURGH OF KIRKCUDBRIGHT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Royal Burgh of Kirkcudbright Community Council in Daar Road, Kirkcudbright on Wednesday 13th June 2018.

Present: Mrs L Garbutt
Mr B Thomson

Chair
Vice Chair

Mrs J Maitland
Mr P Smith
Mr D Collins
Mr D McHale
Mrs K Lowe

Dumfries & Galloway Councillor

In attendance: Ms D Craig
Mr S Gillespie
PC J Brown

Secretary
Dumfries and Galloway News
Police Scotland

Apologies: Mr D Campbell
Mrs P Gilroy
Mrs M Maxwell
Mr L Forbes
Mr J Johnson

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1. Sederunt and apologies: as above
2. Minutes of the previous meeting.
These were approved, proposed by Mr McHale and seconded by Mr Collins
3. Business arising
There was none.
4. **Police:** PC Brown reported that there had been a house break in at the Stell.
A 37 year old male had also been found deceased at an address in the town – there were no suspicious circumstances.
Patrols were on the increase for High Park
Residents were advised to start taking the registrations of cars that were repeatedly speeding on the road into the town from Gatehouse.

b Dumfries & Galloway Councillors

Councillor Maitland reported that the Community Conversations event was deemed a useful exercise.

The policy of reducing bins on the A75 was to be continued as it was proving a success. The Academy had also been involved in a rural skills workshop which had been very well received. Councillor Maitland reported that the Galleries had been opened to great acclaim and everyone agreed the project had been a great success.

Ms Craig reported that she had submitted a letter of objection regarding the Continental Market application

Peter Smith then asked Councillor Maitland what could be done about the amount of weeds in various areas of the town. Mrs Garbutt said that many of the areas were now covered by DGHP and Loreburn Housing, while Councillor Maitland said that the annual weed spraying was about to start.

Derek Collins then asked if there was going to be anything done about Kilndale wall. LG said that she thought it may be the responsibility of DGHP, and several complaints had already been lodged, but she would look into it again.

c Chamber of Commerce: Nothing to report.

d Kirkcudbright Forum: Nothing to report

e Incorporated Trades: It was reported that a very successful and well attended Siller Gun event had taken place, with Heather Burton being the first woman to take part. The competition was won by Alan Johnston. It was also reported that six trees had been planted down near the school, one for each of the Incorporated Trades. And there had also been a very well attended beach clean up at Abbey Burnfoot in Dundrennan.

f Kirkcudbright Development Trust (KDT): Lesley Garbutt reported that planning had been granted for the Johnston School project and fundraising was still ongoing. Silvercraigs Caravan Park was still doing very well, but an SLA had still not been agreed and a CAT was being applied for instead. The Barhill Woods project was going well and the outdoor classroom had been built. The KDT office was also expected to open soon.

g Kirkcudbright Academy: No one present.

h Community Centre: No one present.

5 Stewartry Area Committee (SAC) Nothing to report.

6 Common Good Fund (CGF)
Nothing to report.

7 Planning
Nothing to report

b Wind Farms

Mr McHale was dealing with the Knockendurrick Wind Farm application, and the next date was August.

8 **Correspondence** - All correspondence had been forwarded by email.

9 **Any other competent business**

Ms Craig reported that the issue of the garage on Stirling Crescent had been dealt with.

Ms Craig also reported that she had been in contact with Visit Scotland regarding the tourist office. Councillor Maitland thought it would be in the best interest of the town if the CC register an interest in the building and suggested Ms Craig get in contact with Jamie Ferguson regarding the matter.

Mrs Lowe asked if anything could be done regarding a charging point for electric cars. It was agreed that Ms Craig raise the matter with Finlay Carson.

Mrs Garbutt reported that Sam Kelly was busy with the Kirkcudbright in Bloom competition. She also asked for volunteers to help at the Buckland Burn Up.

Mrs Garbutt also reported that HRH The Princess Royal was due to officially open Kirkcudbright Galleries on 12th July.

Finally Mr McHale said The Limes garden would be open on Sunday from 1-5pm to raise funds for the swimming pool.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8.15pm.

