

# Barr Community Council

## Minutes

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2018

7pm Barr Village Hall

Present - Mr Hamish Denham (HD) Chair, Mrs Merlin Currie (MC) Vice-Chair, Mr Matthew Cross (MCR) Planning Contact, Mr Mark Smith (MS), Mr Alex Tait (AT), Mr John Donaldson (JD), Mrs Jackie Logan (JL) Secretary, Mrs Isabel Kay.

In Attendance – Cllr. Peter Henderson (PH), Sophie Grater, PC Samantha Briggs

<b>Item</b>	<b>Minute</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1</b>	Sederunt: as above	
<b>2</b>	Declaration of interest: None	
<b>3</b>	Apologies: Mr Tom Copeland, Treasurer	
<b>4</b>	Police Report: HD began by thanking Police Scotland for the information they provide and their services to the village over the past year. JL to receive a copy of the police report via email and will forward. In the village 3 incidents have recently occurred; an eviction, an electricity meter bypass and a male sleeping in a car. Of this, 2 crimes were believed to have taken place, theft of coal and theft of electricity. The junction at Brae-Toll Cottage, Girvan was also discussed, and Ayrshire Roads Alliance will be contacted. Police left the meeting at 7.10	PH
<b>5</b>	Meeting re-commenced at 7.40pm following the AGM IK Arrived at 7.15pm. A – Minutes of the previous meeting: Minutes of the 12 <sup>th</sup> of April 2018 were accepted as accurate. Proposed by MC, seconded by AT. B – Minutes of meetings of sub-committees:	

	None.	
<b>6</b>	<p>Matters Arising:</p> <p>Item 6: Kevin Braidwood (ARA) stated that the land around the road (The Screws) has not changed and therefore there is not a need for barriers. He also states that there is in fact nowhere to place barriers due to the steep drop on the side of the road. PH tells us that the land for the barrier to sit on must be bought by SAC before any barrier can be placed on it. He also recommends using the “Complaints” section on the ARA website as this tends to be quite effective in getting improvements.</p> <p>Timber transport are to provide funding to repair damage caused on roads by extraction. Receivers of funding will be announced in June. PH informs that the C1 from Straiton to Glentroll will be closed from the 14<sup>th</sup> of May for 3 weeks, 24 hour closure. The diversion will include the A714, Coalpots road Girvan, the B734 and the B741.</p> <p>Item 7: New form to be posted with slight changes asked for by Foundation Scotland. It now must include the question of whether funding has been applied for elsewhere.</p> <p>Item 9(a): SACT has secured enough funding for the Barr Community Bus to remain in service until September. SAC have committed to funding for up to £5000. SACT have not applied to either Hadyard Hill funding or Assel Valley, but they have applied to Carrick Futures - the amount that has been applied for is yet to be specified.</p> <p>Item 9(e): Almost all of the new trail markers have been placed however, the key provided for forestry gates failed to open all required. AT proposed thanking the Forestry Commission for the excellent work done on the Fairy Knowe Trail. MC to follow up</p> <p>Item 12: The green bridge and path leading from The Clachan to the school is to be repaired in the coming months.</p>	MC
<b>7</b>	<p>Minute Secretary – Expenses:</p> <p>The Handbook for Community Councillors states that the minute secretary is to be paid no more than 10% of the</p>	

	yearly admin budget. JL to write to SAC regarding the difficulty faced by all councils in finding a minute secretary with such a small budget. Councillors all agreed on a flat rate of £30 per set of minutes completed.	JL
<b>8</b>	<p>Regular Reports:</p> <p>Treasurers report – See AGM Minutes for details</p> <p>HHCBF report – None</p> <p>Carrick Futures report – 2 applications have been completed for Barr, 1 from the Barr Bikes Club and 1 to aid the community bus service.</p> <p>Assel Valley report – Tom Walker has joined the panel, meaning there are now only 2 spaces left empty. The deadline for applications for this year was the 7<sup>th</sup> of May.</p> <p>BPDC report – no update on the MUGA. A meeting took place on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May with Tom Burns SAC from energy planning to discuss the asset transfer of the Village Hall.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<p>Correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Farewell to Derek Aitken, JL has sent to all Councillors.</li> <li>- E-mail confirmation from Tom Copeland regarding FS requirements for the new small grants application form.</li> <li>- Information on a new minute secretary to be sent to SAC.</li> <li>- Meeting with Tom Burns SAC to be arranged.</li> <li>- Copy of MC e-mail to Kevin Braidwood ARA regarding 20mph flashing sign for the Village.</li> <li>- Copy of MC e-mail to Kevin Braidwood ARA regarding barriers for “The Screws”.</li> <li>- Copy of Tommy Thorburn ARA request for support in their bid for joint funding to Timber Transport. MC to write a letter of support and to highlight that the roads surrounding Barr will not be subject to the funding.</li> <li>-</li> </ul>	<p>JL</p> <p>MC</p>
<b>10</b>	Funding Applications:	

	<p>Barr Bowling Club: Materials for Bowling Green</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requested £500</li> <li>- JL declared interest and abstained from voting</li> <li>- Majority approved.</li> </ul> <p>Barr Bikes: To put club members through a course to allow them to teach mountain biking.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requested £450</li> <li>- Majority approved</li> </ul> <p>BCA: funding for Barr Gala Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Total costs of £642 (£300 to hire Maybole Pipe Band, £150 to hire a magician, £192 for medals)</li> <li>- Requested £500</li> <li>- MCr and HD declared interest and abstained from voting</li> <li>- Majority approved</li> </ul> <p>Barr Primary School Parent and Teacher Association: bus to Blair Drummond Safari Park on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Total cost of trip £795</li> <li>- Requested £495</li> <li>- MCr and HD declared interest and abstained from voting</li> <li>- Majority approved</li> </ul>	<p>TC</p> <p>TC</p> <p>TC</p> <p>TC</p>
<b>11</b>	Open Forum: None	
<b>12</b>	<p>AOCB:</p> <p>PH updates that each child of school age in South Ayrshire who are eligible for clothing grants will receive £125 towards school uniforms.</p> <p>Also an online payments systems will be installed in schools to allow parents to pay things like school meals online.</p> <p>PH informs that on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May, the new Data Protection Act comes into play and this will cause changes to many businesses and data bases in the UK.</p> <p>He tells us that the “Our People, Our Place” event takes place in Girvan from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> of June.</p> <p>PH informs that dry stone dyke training in Girvan will be</p>	

	<p>available on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of June.</p> <p>HD proposes abandoning the July meeting, meaning the council will only meet 10 times a year, rather than 11 times. All agreed to this. JL to amend meeting dates and MC to post on line.</p>	JL/MC
<b>13</b>	<p>Next meeting - 14<sup>th</sup> of June at 7pm in the village hall.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 9.10pm.</p>	