

Barr Community Council Minutes
Thursday 14th of June 2018
7pm Barr Village Hall

Present: Mr Hamish Denham (HD) Chair, Mrs Merlin Currie (MC) Vice-chair, Mrs Jackie Logan (JL) Secretary, Mr Mark Smith (MS), Mr Alec Tait (AT), Mr John Donaldson (JD), Mrs Isabel Kay (IK).

In Attendance: Cllr Peter Henderson (PH), Sophie Grater, Sgt Richard Armstrong (RA), Tom Walker, Lynsay Forsyth (LF) PLACE, Jono Hudson (JH) PLACE.

Item	Minute	Action
1	Sederunt: As above	
2	Declaration of Interest:	
3	Apologies: Mr Tom Copeland Treasurer, Mr Matthew Cross Planning Contact	
4	Police Report: New sergeant Richard Armstrong will be taking over the position of village officer and can be contacted at any time at Girvan Police Station. No crimes to report, only 3 small incidents of suspect vehicles.	
5	PLACE Project: a Lottery funded organisation which works to join communities together using their distinguishing features to allow for a flow of tourism. Also has the ability to award grants to communities for subprojects to enhance the area, such as having experts come to study features. Barr is a part of the Stinchar Valley landscape, which is one of three in the area. *IK joins the meeting at 7.10pm* Stages of Project Development. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project officers will meet the whole community, by holding a workshop day. - Organise a discussion/workshop on important features in Barr. Events will then be organised around these features. - Network with other communities to help each other. Share features and information to bring people between landscapes - Develop projects to allow continuation of achievements. Allows continuation of heritage and traditions in areas. 	
6	Minutes of: A-the previous meeting on 10 th May 2018 accepted as accurate Proposed by MC, Seconded by AT Minutes from the AGM were also accepted as accurate. Proposed by AT, seconded by JD. B-Minutes of meeting of sub-committees: none.	
7	Matters Arising: No news on barrier, waiting for correspondence from Kevin Braidwood ARA. No news on timber transport from the village.	

	<p>Funding has been secured for 1 year for the SACT bus service, however it may now be possible for the council to run their own bus services as a new system has allowed them to manage fleets much more effectively.</p> <p>All volunteers have been thanked for their help on Barr Trails Day. No improvements have been made to the path leading to the green bridge joining the Clachan and Changue Road. PH to chase up.</p> <p>Funding has been passed for the 20MPH sign to be placed at the top of Glenginnet Road.</p> <p>New signs and paint to be placed at Brae Toll junction in Girvan. Brochloch cattle grids have been left in disrepair after work done on the screws. PH to take up.</p> <p>Forrestry Commission work has not yet commenced at the Nick of the Balloch.</p>	<p>PH</p> <p>PH</p>
8	<p>Regular Reports:</p> <p>Treasurers Report – No Report. Balance from Treasurer: £5850.39</p> <p>HHCBF Report – The last meeting was cancelled by the Chair due to having no pertinent business.</p> <p>Carrick Futures Report – no update</p> <p>Assel Valley Report – no update</p> <p>BPDC Report – Excellent turn out for trails day with many good reviews. 43 people attended the guided walk and informed that group walks and facilities can be catered for as long as they are able to book in advance. The fairy trail houses have moved to the Wee Gallery and are available to view. Work on the MUGA is still ongoing. Barr Bike Club received all of the funding it had applied for. Asset transfer meeting will take place at the end of June. The Forestry Commission have informed that they now only take responsibility for the Fairy Knowe Trail and all other trails are the responsibility of the community, meaning the public liability insurance would have to be considered. PH to take up with SAC.</p>	<p>PH</p>
9	<p>Correspondance:</p> <p>Galloway National Park are holding 2 meetings, the 1st in Kirkcudbright and the second in the Quay Zone on the 29th of June at 7pm.</p> <p>UK Forest Certification want to place a forest management plan at Whiteknowes, with a large quantity of timber to be extracted within 3 years, beginning at the end of the year. There has also been a Prior Notification for upgrade works to the existing forestry access track at Whiteknowes. James England to be contacted.</p> <p>Apologies from treasurer and bank balances.</p> <p>Confirmation that work of the MUGA has commenced from PH.</p>	<p>MC</p>
10	<p>Funding: MC to replace form on the website.</p> <p>Parent Teacher Association – funding for a project to allow the primary 6 class to achieve the John Muir award, by undertaking a trip where they shall learn primal bush-craft, camping and archery.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - requested £230 - HD declared an interest and abstained from voting. - Majority approved. 	<p>MC</p>
11	<p>Open Forum: none.</p>	

12	<p>AOCB: MC was asked by the BCA to flag the Moira Monologues as few tickets have been sold, and they are now on a buy 1 get 1 free offer. They have also asked for volunteers on days such as Gala in order to help the day run more smoothly.</p> <p>HD was approached by the director of BSSG and has requested that groups within the community meet and check for similar aims for which efforts can perhaps be combined. This will take place in the hall on the 26th of June at 7.30, which should be attended by the BCA, BCC and BPDC.</p> <p>JL thanked ARA that pot holes on the Changue Road have been filled, however pre-existing subsidence is still there.</p> <p>JD reminded that the picnic bench which had been removed from the trails car park has not been replaced. MC informs that the council must be asked to replace the table.</p> <p>PH tells us that the ARA are working to fix roads in the worst condition first and shall work their way down. The road between Tara cottage and the Lanes will be fixed.</p> <p>There shall be an Armed forces day on the 27th of June at 12.30 in Girvan.</p> <p>2 campus cops are to be placed at Girvan Academy and Queen Margaret Academy and will visit primary schools in these areas.</p> <p>SAC is currently looking at special housing needs and want to gauge the number of 1 bedroom houses needed. They are looking to develop schemes to build houses in small villages, where local companies and builders will be used.</p> <p>Schools, both primary and secondary are to receive free sanitary products for pupils.</p> <p>VASA is working with SAC to provide new transport options.</p> <p>AT informs that fences which Line the Clachan need to be removed as they are beyond repair and that the bank must be cut.</p> <p>MC to ask Kevin Braidwood ARA about rules regarding the numbers of cars parked on the Kings Arms Junction.</p>	<p>PH</p> <p>MC</p>
13	<p>Meeting closed at 8.50pm</p> <p>Next Meeting: 9th of August at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.</p>	