

Barr Community Council Minutes
Thursday 9th of August 2018
7pm Barr Village Hall

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

In Attendance: Cllr Peter Henderson (PH), Ben Anstead (BA) - Treeline Forestry, PC Briggs, PC Knowles, Mr John Bunnett, Mrs Maggie Bunnett

Item	Minute	Action
1	Sederunt: As above	
2	Declaration of Interest:	
3	Apologies: Mr Matthew Cross Planning Contact, Sophie Grater Minute Taker	
4	Police Report: No crimes to report, only 2 incidents where the police provided public advice. The incidents of vandalism in the Village Hall were reported to the police who have taken details and will look into the matter.	
5	<p>Treeline Forestry: Ben Anstead outlined the plans for the felling and haulage of timber from Whiteknowes Forest. 20k tonnes of timber to be felled and a total of 21k tonnes to be transported. Work will commence within 3 months or so with harvesting lasting 5-6 months. Timber will be transported out of the Village via the B734 "Screws" with approximately 840-850 lorry loads. Concerns were raised regarding the use of articulated lorries on the blind corner, damage to the bridge, the corner at Alton Albany as well as noise, damage to verges and damage to the newly repaired road at the "Screws". Residents questioned why they were not given prior notification of the planning application to upgrade the track. BA replied that as the application was for a permitted development on private land there was no obligation to inform neighbours. PH informed that if an application is for a permitted development it requires prior notification to SAC, but not neighbouring properties - PH will check the planning procedure.</p> <p>Further concerns regarding the size of the 840-50 lorries to be used for extraction; timing of lorries; repairs to any damage to the roads, verges and bridges. HD asked whether smaller lorries could be used to do less damage. BA advised that articulated lorries would be used and run at least 20 minutes apart. BA is in contact with Tommy Thorburn ARA regarding a traffic management plan for the "Screws" and roads. Once the timber transport plan has been drafted it will be made available for review by SAC, BCC and ARA. A further concern was raised about the number of lorries and weight with regard to the two bridges out of the Village. PH informed that part of the plan would involve ARA engineers certifying both bridges to ensure they can take the weight and</p>	PH

	<p>number of loads. *IK joined the meeting at 7.15pm* *TC joined the meeting at 7.30pm* Ben and Mr and Mrs Bunnett left the meeting at 8pm.</p>	
6	<p>Minutes of: A- the previous meeting on 14th June 2018 accepted as accurate Proposed by JD, Seconded by MC B- Minutes of meeting of sub-committees: None.</p>	
7	<p>Matters Arising: (7) Markers and barriers for the “Screws” will be installed in due course. New signs and paint to be placed at Brae Toll junction in Girvan. Still awaited. (12) HD advised that a meeting with BSSG has taken place and action planning is in progress. JD asked about the replacement of the picnic bench at the upper trails car park. MC advised that if we want the bench replaced BCC would have to purchase and it would have to be the same as the FCS bench at the lower car park. MC to check price and whether FCS can supply. MC to ask Kevin Braidwood ARA about the rules regarding parking on the junction at the Kings Arms/Changue Road and whether double yellow lines can be used to mark the legal distance from each corner. AT informed that the fence has been removed from the Clachan but the posts have not been removed, PH to check.</p>	<p>MC MC PH</p>
8	<p>Regular Reports: Treasurers Report - Balance to date £14,974.54 after outstanding cheques have been cashed. 2x £5k grants have been received, SAC admin fee still awaited. £7825 of £10k grants remaining. HHCBF Report - None. Carrick Futures Report - meeting held last night. Nothing can be reported at present. Matt Cross resigned from his position on CF. Assel Valley Report - no update. Matt Cross has resigned from his position on the panel. BPDC Report - BPDC were successful with LEADER Funding to provide a mini hub for the Village Hall. AT reported that work on the MUGA has been delayed due to priority being given to Ayr project plus the Tarmac is not right, PH to chase up. Barr Bikes have not yet purchased the new bikes. The Summer ride out programme has come to an end and has been a great success. MC reported that due to work commitments that she will not have as much time to be involved with BPDC over the coming months.</p>	<p>PH</p>
9	<p>Correspondence: (1) SAC copy of new Licensing Policy for file. (2) File copy of Millenderdale amendments. (3) Information and patterns from the Provost’s Office for the Poppies project have been received. MC to contact Sharon Trotter and others to organise.</p>	<p>MC</p>

	(4) Information regarding the Climate Change fund - MC to follow up re-asset transfer of the Village Hall.	MC
10	<p>Funding: MC to replace form on the website. JL to send copy of e-mail from TC re-FS conditions.</p> <p>Parent Teacher Association - funding for a Halloween party in the Village Hall on 27th October 2018. Funds to pay for 2 bands, decorating etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - requested £450 - HD declared an interest and abstained from voting. - Majority approved. 	MC/JL
11	Open Forum: none.	
12	<p>AOCB: Extension to Barr Primary School is still planned, but has been delayed until 2019.</p> <p>HD received an e-mail re-minutes not being published prior to meetings. HD advised that the minutes can't be published until they have been approved at the next meeting.</p> <p>HD also advised that SAC advice re-new bins will be given at the next meeting.</p> <p>MC reported that a meeting of SA Paths Initiative took place after the Trails Day. Barr to be part of Carrick Trail to pursue improvements to trails. All Communities to be represented and work as part of a FORUM chaired by the Paths Initiative to work on the bigger picture for the Carrick Trail. The 1st meeting will take place in Barr at 7pm on 25th September 2018. Representatives from all communities will contribute and each will take it in turn to hold the FORUM.</p> <p>PH Locality Planning Chair has resigned - JL to file copy of e-mail from PH.</p> <p>PH was pleased to announce that SAC have won 3 major awards. New IT contract for all SAC schools where a minimum of 1GB will be available for each school.</p> <p>PH also advised that memorial benches are available from a Belfast company and said it may enhance the War Memorial in Barr and advised that War Veteran signage is also available.</p> <p>PH reported that SAC is the 1st Council to introduce extended, paid maternity/paternity leave for premature births.</p> <p>SAC have gone from 0 to 5 National Awards in 1 year.</p> <p>IK reported that a sycamore tree is growing out of the Milton Bridge and asked if ARA could remove before any damage is done. PH to follow up. Also Milton Road overgrown whins - SAC to check whether ARA or land owner is responsible.</p> <p>IK reported the presence of rats in the village. Can we advise villagers about encouraging rats with bird/chicken food etc.</p>	<p>JL</p> <p>PH</p> <p>PH</p>
13	<p>Meeting closed at 9.00pm</p> <p>Next Meeting: 13th September 2018 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.</p> <p>Cllr. Henderson advised he may not be able to attend.</p>	