

KILMAURS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE MASONIC LOUNGE
ON 4TH FEBRUARY 2025 AT 7PM.

PRESENT: Alan Cameron Rose-Anne Cuninghame Patrick Gallacher
Helen Haggarty Ian Ness Roan Rutherford Janet Stevenson.
Cllr. Canning Cllr. Freel Cllr. McGhee.

VISITOR: Anneka Freel (East Ayrshire Leisure).

MEM. of PUBLIC: Ann Cameron John Cairns.

APOLOGIES: Liz Ness Mary Mgt. Pearson Colin Wilks.

In CW's absence, RR stood in as chair and opened the meeting.

COMMUNITY BUSINESS:

Our visitor Anneka gave us an update on East Ayrshire Leisure & Culture review:

- From 1st April 2025, trading subsidiary to covering events which won't go to sub-contractors from Glasgow /Edinburgh but will go to local businesses.
- The Galleon Leisure Centre – capacity issues:
There will be community incentives for local people.
- The Shed to listen to music.
- Future of 'The Jougs':
Cllr. Canning and Anneka have held meetings with local residents regarding 'The Jougs', outcome is there will be an exhibition in 'the Jougs' which will run for 3 months with artifacts looking at the history of Kilmaurs.
- The Photography Club is keen to exhibit there too.
- RR & Cllr. Canning had a look at floodlighting 'The Jougs'.
Quote received £2500 - £3000. Funding application for condition.
Although EAC, insists on 3 quotes.
- Clock is working.
- Lighting requires Listed Building Consent regardless whether it is for colour changing lights or not.

POLICE REPORT:

AQUISITIVE CRIME:

Theft by Housebreaking: **Male seen in suspicious circumstances in front garden of property in Sunnyside during morning of 7/12** – suspect later identified by police from ring doorbell footage and reported.

DRUG OFFENCES:

Drug Offences: **On 6/12, Police attended an address in Patience walk in possession of a Drugs Search Warrant.**
Person reported for concerned in supply offence.

OTHER CRIMES:

Wilful Fire-raising: **Bins set on fire within carpark of Early Learning Centre,**
East Park Drive on 12/12. Enquiries ongoing.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Status of Kilmaurs Community Council bank Accounts for Meeting on 4th Feb 2025.

Treasurer's Account:

Current Balance - £299.88

Note(s) on Treasurer's Account:

Documentation for 2023/24 has been submitted to Galbraith Pritchard for the preparation of KCC Accounts. Galbraith Pritchard are currently processing this information for submittal to EAC. Upon approval, these accounts should trigger payment of operating costs for 2024/25. Arlene Hodgart has advised that she hasn't received the correct forms. Since this contact, Arlene has been off work. To be finalised asap.

£60 to Kilmaurs Masonic Club for meetings in Dec 24 and Feb 25 to be cashed.

Regeneration Account

Current Balance - £5948.96

Monies held in Regeneration Account relating to specific projects:

Christmas Lights	550.39
Christmas Lights - Replacement	1682.40
Shop Local	93.00
Jubilee Woods	894.13
Soup Kitchen	0.00
Penny Bridge Repair	420.00
Selected Local Projects	<u>£2309.04</u>
Total	<u>£5948.96</u>

Note(s) on Regeneration Account:

Christmas Light Replacement:

Following completion of work, payment of £7797.60 has been made to McGivney Construction Ltd.

Penny Bridge:

Confirmation received from EAC that a grant has been awarded for repair work to the Penny Bridge. This award is under the PBIP fund and is for the full amount requested of £4000.

Quote has been received from Robertsons Joiners:

Gripsure Wooden Decking - £3092.40

Composite Decking - £3992.40

Scope of works and material selection to be confirmed.

No quote has been received from EAC Woodlands.

Soup Kitchen:

A final payment of £500 has been made Messy Church Kilmaurs. The Soup Kitchen fund is now closed.

Jubilee Woods:

Vicky Robertson of Kilmaurs Parents' Council has made contact in regard to the £894.13 available for the use on the Jubilee Woods.

A meeting is to be arranged to discuss the use of these funds.

TREASURER'S REPORT CONT'D:

- **Issue with operating costs,** AH has not been in contact, Cllr Freel had stated that Arlene has been off long term sick.
HH informed AC that she had been emailed an alternative contact name and number for when AH is unavailable and she will forward it to him.
 - Nicola Howat has been in contact regarding financial assistance for picnic benches for Jubilee Wood.
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SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- 9/12/24** **EA Youth Awards nominations.**
Closing date 6th December 2024 at 5pm.
- 14/12/24** **Questionnaire from EAC re wheelchair accessible vehicles, taxis -**
return by Friday 10th January 2025.
- 2/1/25** **Publication of East Ayrshire Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy -** Submit views before 4pm 31st January 2025.
- 7/1/25** **East Ayrshire Council Budget Consultation 2025/26 -**
engagement.east-ayrshire.gov.uk/budget-2025-26.
open until 31st January 2025.
- 11/1/25** **Planning List - 7th January 2025**
- 14/1/25** **Masterplan led Housing development and associated uses in Principle LDP2 allocation - KK - H11:**
Altonhill, Kilmaurs Road, KA3 2NR.
Meeting 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6th March 2025,
NWKLEUS, Kirkton Road, Kilmarnock, KA3 2DF.
- 17/1/25** **Budget Consultation EAC** on line survey and community conversations.
- 17/1/25** **Hallam Land** copy planning process as requested.
- 22/1/25** **Planning List 21st January 2025.**
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PLANNING OFFICER'S REPORT:

24/0437/PP	Mr Jordan Crowe	Public Convenience	Change	of
use from				
Approved		Irvine Road	an	existing
Public				
with		Kilmaurs	Convenience to a	
Conditions		KA3 2RQ	retail unit and	

24/0563/PN	Hanover Scotland	56-58 Main Street	External.
Approval for			Prior
Prior Approval	C/O Graham Harper	Kilmaurs	replacement doors
Required,	Consultants	Kilmarnock	and windows.
Refused.		KA3 2SF	

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

CLLR. McGHEE:

Possible funding available for up to 70% community buyout of empty premises or owners of empty business premises will be charged rates from April 2025.

CLLR. FREEL:

Kilmaurs Primary School - Tender has been put out now to reconfigure for the school the school dining hall, with the work expected to start in the summer holidays and be finished for the school restarting in August.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS CONT'D:

CLLR. CANNING:

Trialling new bin in around 18 months' time.

A.O.C.B.:

- Question was raised regarding the Premier Store, by a KCC member as having purchased a carrier bag from 'The Premier' store saying Jacks is in association with Tescos and wondered if their recent extension was related to Tesco.
Reply: Jacks is a brand within the shop but Tesco is not related to the extension of The Premier.
- **'The Louping Stone'** can't be removed from outside the cabin or alteration to the cabin without planning or listed building consent as it is within the conservation area.
- CW has got the Heritage Boards.
- Charity boxes for Christmas Lighting to be discussed at next meeting.
- Jubilee Wood - helpers need to volunteer.
- New pole sited in Irvine Road Gardens for the future broadband is obscuring Kilmaurs Heritage Board.
- Road Survey outcome to be discussed at next meeting.

As there was no further business, RR closed the meeting.

The next meeting is on 4/3/25 in the Masonic Lounge at 7pm.

