

**Minutes of Belmont and Kincaidston Community Council**  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024 7.15pm Queen Margaret Academy, Ayr

**Members Present:** Cara Bennington (C/S), Flora Fleming (VC), Ian Douglas (T), Colin Hall (P&L), Donald McLean (M), Hezekiah Adesina (M), Carol Campbell (M), Daniela Van Niekerk (M).

**Visitors:** Fiona Mitchell

**Apologies:** Dennis McLellan (OM), Matthew Grant (LO), Councillors Mary Kilpatrick, Brian McGinley & Chris Cullen

<i>Item</i>	<i>Minute</i>	<i>Action</i>
1	Pastor Adesina opened the meeting with a prayer at the request of the Chair.  The meeting was quorate with 8 members in attendance out of a current membership of 9.	
2	<b>Community Police Report</b> – None received.	Sec to chase up.
3	<b>Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting in March:</b> Proposer – Colin Hall    Seconder – Hezekiah Adesina	
4	<b>Any Matters Arising from previous minutes.</b> The framed photographed portrait of King Charles III was shown to Donald McLean, and he agreed to hang it up in the Kincaidston and Belmont Bowling Club on behalf of the BKCC. The Chair and DM signed an agreement which set out that the portrait will always belong to Belmont & Kincaidston Community Council.	Chair to keep hold of the portrait while the Bowling Club is redecorated.
5	<b>Secretarial Business and Correspondence</b> <b>Facebook page BKCC</b> Chair thanked Daniela Van Niekerk for doing such a good job of increasing membership and promotion of the BKCC Facebook (Meta) page. It is recognised by the members that not everyone is on FB; however, it is a way of us being online and many organisations use the platform these days. A freestanding, large capacity noticeboard was discussed as a way of older and younger people getting info that they may not see online. <b>New BKCC logo</b> Chair presented Daniela with a letter of thanks from the BKCC members to give to her husband, Michael, who designed our logo as his contribution to the community. <b>Undersky</b> event on Aug 1 <sup>st</sup> in Kincaidston (accompanied children) reminder. <b>Noticeboards</b> Secretary to put in a bid for funding for a new noticeboard through the Participatory Budget (South Ayr, Health and Social Care Partnership), Deadline is July 19 <sup>th</sup> 2024. <b>Ageing Well Consultation</b> – members requested to participate and to broadcast the Ageing Well Consultation by Voluntary Action South Ayrshire. <b>Community Links Practitioners</b> – members to pass on info about CLP's who the public can ask to be referred to by their GP practice to help with any issues they are having that cannot be sorted by their GP.	

	<p><b>Feedback from Ayr South HSCP LPP meeting</b> in KCC attended by Flora and Cara on 27/6/24. One Stop Shop in progress on the Sandgate to provide advice and information from social workers and VASA.</p> <p><b>Feedback from questions to Fiona Ross, SAC</b> – Chair read out email reply from Ms Ross re the upcoming tree work along Annfield Burn to deal with Ash dieback. Also, the decommissioned dog waste bin on Glendale Crescent has been replaced by another bin for litter and dog waste following a request from a resident.</p> <p><b>Parking issue on Kincaidston Drive</b> request for help from a resident of Kincaidston to turn a shrub area into extra parking space.</p> <p><b>Lithium-Ion Battery safety bill</b> BKCC have agreed to back the above bill which it is hoped can be put through parliament at some time in the future. Ballot for bills to be held on September 6<sup>th</sup> and it is hoped that any MP who is picked in the ballot, without a bill, will consider putting this bill forward.</p>	Secretary has sent email to Councillor McGinley to ask for help with the parking issue.
6	<p><b>Treasurer’s Report</b> Ian Douglas reported that the bank balance is £3000.80 split between the Defibrillator Fund of £1687.28 and the Admin Fund of £1313.52 since we received the yearly admin grant top-up of £699.19 and insurance refund of £97.20.</p> <p>Ian visited to the Fire Station Open Day – There was a consultation on the future of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service with a deadline of June 30.</p>	
7	<p><b>Planning and Licensing</b></p> <p>CH told the members about a development application which has been approved in principle by SAC for 350 houses to be built on land near to the Holmston Roundabout and Dobbies. This development falls into the area of Coylton CC though CH emphasised that it will affect Belmont and Kincaidston residents if it goes ahead.</p> <p>CH had enjoyed a Teams session on Planning Appeals (UK wide) which he found to be very interesting.</p>	
8	<p><b>Tribute to Flora Fleming</b> who has been a member of the Belmont and Kincaidston Community Council for more than 20 years, in fact, from 6 months after it began. Flora has contributed and started up many community initiatives over the years and the BKCC wanted to show their appreciation with a basket of flowers and a card. Both were well received by Flora.</p>	
9	<p><b>Co-option</b> The members of BKCC agreed to co-opt <b>Fiona Mitchell</b> to the CC. Proposed by CB and seconded by CC. Fiona is now a Co-opted member till April 1<sup>st</sup> 25.</p>	Secretary to send off the completed co-option form to SAC
10	<p><b>Meeting was closed at 2055hrs.</b> The next Belmont &amp; Kincaidston Community Council Ordinary Meeting will take place on <u>September 5th, 2024</u>, from 1915hrs in Belmont Academy conference room.</p>	