Minutes of Belmont and Kincaidston Community Council
Thursday 13th March 2025 @ 7.15pm Belmont Academy, Ayr

Members Present: Cara Bennington (C/S), Flora Fleming (VC), Ian Douglas (T), Colin Hall (P&L), Carol Campbell (M), Daniela Van Niekerk (M), Hezekiah Adesina (M), Dennis McLellan (M), Councillor Brian McGinley.
Visitors: Dianne Markham
Apologies: Donald McLean (M), Matthew Grant (LO), Fiona Mitchell (Co- opted M), Councillor Mary Kilpatrick, Councillor Chris Cullen

Item	Minute	Action
1	Sederunt was passed around, and the meeting was quorate with 8 members in attendance out of a current membership of 10.	
2	**Community Police Report** Time period covered is 01/02/25 to 28/02/25 for Beats covering Ayr East Ward. Crimes 52 with 23 detected. Crimes of violence (Assaults and Stalking) 8 Crimes of dishonesty (Fraud, Theft and attempts) 16 Damage and Reckless Behaviour (Vandalism and Culpable and Reckless Conduct) 11 Crimes against Society (Breach of bail, Drugs offences, Weapons) 10 Anti-social Offences (Threatening or Abusive behaviour) 3 Miscellaneous Crimes (Dangerous Dogs, communication offences) 1 Road Traffic Offences (careless driving, speeding, fail to stop, MOT, Insurance) 11	.
3	**Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting in December -** Proposer – Flora Fleming Seconder – Carol Campbell	Secretary to send the approved minutes to Thriving Communities.
6	**Treasurer's Report** Defibrillator Fund - £1687.28. Admin Fund - £50.37. Pads will need to be purchased from the Defibrillator Fund in June when they expire. Noticeboards were ordered by Ian Douglas, our Treasurer, and were delivered to his house. Unfortunately, the boards only had one "leg" to hold up the front "window" and are being replaced. Noticeboards will be able to contain 8 x A4 notices.	Treasurer will compile the end of year accounts to be audited and signed off then sent to SAC
7	**Planning and Licensing** Nothing to report from our area.	
8	**Secretary Correspondence.** BKCC are very pleased that we have a new member who joins us on **April 1, 2025** – Dianne Markham. This will mean that our membership remains at a good level of 10 out of a possible 13. New Pharmacy Application – none of the four CCs within the catchment area of the proposed pharmacy chose to attend the formal Hearing. There was a long and comprehensive discussion with Brian McGinley about precisely what capital projects we wish to spend part of the £1m Ayr East Ward funding on in Belmont/Kincaidston.	Secretary to put notice up in noticeboards of the appointment of Dianne Markham from Belmont to the BKCC.

	Woodpark play area landscaping/trees/extra hard surface area for outdoor events/new paths/new equipment **The Mount grass area** behind the bus stop – improvements to the hard surface at the bus stop to make it larger and able to accommodate the bin, improvement to the pavement and kerb at the edge of the grass area where pedestrians walk through mud to get to the bus stop. Pavement to be installed all the way around the grass area instead of stopping at the entrance to the cul-de-sac. Further enhancements could be made to this area such as an electricity supply behind the bus stop so that a Christmas tree could be displayed in December. **Foot of Burnbank Road and Railway Tunnel** plus entrance to path to Kincaidston – improvements could be made to the **poor road surface** on Burbank Road just in front of the railway tunnel and the entrance to path. **Railway Tunnel** - Railways Authority to make sure that brambles do not continue to grow down from the embankment getting in the way of pedestrians. Embankment area is very messy and collects litter.Can improvements be made to the narrow pavement for pedestrians going through the tunnel. Railway tunnel arch should be painted in reflective paint to make the archway more visible to traffic on both sides. **Wooded area high up from Andersen Crescent** – this area is littered with heavy items and needs a clear up. Biodiversity initiatives could take place in this natural space. **Kincaidston lighting** to be reviewed at night. A new freestanding **noticeboard** at Kincaidston shops. Request was made for councillors to ask for **reopening of the second exit** from Kincaidston which goes under the railway line onto Maybole Road.	Secretary to send photos and a list of project ideas to Brian McGinley so that he can put these up for discussion with SAC.
	AOCB CC agreed to ask UnderSky to organise a fun-day event for children in Belmont and Kincaidston sometime during the summer holidays which we will submit a funding application for.	Secretary to fill out application form for funding from the Ayr South Health and Social Care Partnership for the Fun-Day Event.
9	**Meeting was closed at 2045hrs.** Next meeting – AGM on **April 3rd, 2025, 7pm**	