



Alloway, Doonfoot & St Leonards Community Council (ADSLCC)
Minute of Meeting of the above Community Council held on 03 Dec 2024
7.00pm, at Doonfoot Primary School

1. **Welcome and Introduction:** The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Sederunt/Apologies:** (25 Present)

ADSLCC Member's Present: Andrew Russell Chair (A), Sandy Paton (D), Sheila Scott Secretary (D), Rod Winhall Planning - Licensing (SL), Alan Graham (A), Patrice Graham (A), Laurence Marcantonio (SL), Pamela McKay (D), Norman Sharp (A), Madge Claybion (A), Alex Drain (SL)

Apologies: Paul Brooks Treasurer (A), Zoe Montgomerie (A), Ian Duncanson (A)

Members of the Public Present: Davies Brock, Orhan Bulikj, Isobelle Cramond, Corrie Lawrence, Bob Leitch, Alison Leitch, Anne Marshall, Mike McArthur, Rory Mohan, Jackie Bradley, Owen North, Maggi Kirkby

Ayr West Councillors Present: -----

Apologies: Martin Dowey, Lee Lyons, George Weir, Bob Shields

SAC Link Officer: Jenni Donald

Speaker: Jane Corrie of ARA

3. **Any Declarations of Interest:** None
4. **Approval of the draft minutes of the meeting held on:** 05th Nov 2024

The minutes were approved as a correct record.

Proposed: Norman Sharp

Seconded: Sandy Paton

5. **Speaker:** Jane Corrie Head of Roads ARA was welcomed by the Chair. Ms Corrie gave a brief summary of ARA responsibilities and the priority management of a tight budget. She explained that every road was inspected annually and that every local Councillor's input is requested. Priorities were then decided at a full Council Cabinet meeting in March. Ms Corrie also explained that East and South Ayrshire shared budgets. Ms Corrie took several questions expressing some real concerns about the condition of some of our roads. Concern was expressed about the way in which some road repairs seemed more of a temporary fix which was considered a waste of money. Questions about what was happening at the junction of Doonholm Road and the A77; Ultimately traffic lights and a suspension of road works during the Christmas period. The Chair asked that Ms Corrie arrange site visits with ADSLCC to the chicanes on Longhill Avenue, the roundabout at Greenfield Avenue/Doonfoot Road and the exit from the mini Tesco onto Burnbank Road. The Chair thanked Ms Corrie for her attendance and she offered to return at a later date.

Orhan left the meeting at 19.25.

6. **Co-optee Nomination:** Owen North residing in Doonfoot who had submitted nomination papers to join the CC attended this meeting. The Chair asked him to give a brief talk about himself. There were no objections and he was then Proposed by: Sheila Scott Secretary and Seconded by: Andrew Russell Chair. The Chair welcomed Owen as the 15th new member of 16. The quorum of our meetings is now a minimum 8 members attending.

7. **Police Report:** The following was recorded of crimes in Alloway & Doonfoot area in; November 27th 2024. No incidents of note in our CC area.

Police Report	Sergeant Stewart Slaven
Calls to Police	
Crimes total	15 up 7

Of which comprise;

Thefts	2 ----
Breach of Peace, Disorder, Assault	1 down 2
Road Traffic	9 up 8
Fire Raising, Vandalism	2 up 2
Fraud	
Other Crimes	1 ----

Increased pro traffic stops/speed camera.

No incidents of note in the Alloway/Doonfoot area.

Other Crimes will relate to incidents of Domestic incidents or reports that don't directly affect the local community.

8. **SAC Councillors/Link Officer Reports – Reports:**

- (i) The new Community notice board placement at St Leonards Ewenfield Rd in the small triangle of ground. Moving the present Alloway school notice board to the left. Waiting for a further update.
- (ii) ADSLCC requested today that Ms J Corrie Head of ARA arrange site visits to (a) and (b) below.
 - (a) Although ARA have given an all clear report on the Chicanes on Longhill Avenue the entire CC is of the view that discussion should take place with ARA on some priority signage and the removal of one chicane closest to B7024.
 - (b) Ingress and egress onto Burnbank Rd from the Tesco car park. Rounding the entry and exit would alleviate vehicles crossing into the path of oncoming vehicles and lorries mounting the pavement onto a narrowed Burnbank road.
 - (c) Stop sign on Ewenfield Rd/Belmont Rd has now been straightened.
- (iii) Cllr Weir reported the Balgarth tree obscuring the exit view has been cut back.
- (iv) Cllr Shields reported the Corton development will be discussed at full Council on Dec 12th. Network Rail is pursuing Mr Ung for £25million regarding the Station Hotel. No development can proceed until that has been decided. Belleisle Golf Centre/course improvements will go to planning in January or February 2025.

9. ADSLCC Sub Committee local SAC funding projects brief updates:

- (i) Belleisle Park steps now repaired at Chapelpark Rd. Some discarded wood and greenery will be tidied up by volunteers. Stone wall still to be repaired.
- (ii) SAC making ongoing progress to the paths in Rozelle. One member of the public is not happy with the paths and our Secretary has offered to meet with her to better understand her view. There is a report of lorries driving on the grass in Rozelle.
- (iii) Jodie McFarlane, Senior Communities Officer met Sheila at Rozelle House and walked from there around our Alloway/ National Trust route to gather information as to how we would like to see our Council area improved. We then met with Andrew Russell at the Burns Centre and discussed Community Councils and ADSL in particular.

10. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

- (i) Sub Committee Meeting arranged with Fiona Ross Environment Strategy Officer on the 30th Jan 25.
- (ii) Christmas tree has been purchased and put up today, lights tomorrow.

11. Planning & Licensing Update info:

- (i) Kirkgate House; appeal against refusal of planning application 23/00864/APP for change of use. There is still a short term license for lets in place. Objections/Support to the appeal now closed and we are informed a Scottish Government Planning Reporter is to carry out a site visit. Awaiting the results.

12. Secretary's Business:

- (i) Hospital Brief.
- (ii) Work has started on the Hourstons building to remove asbestos. This will eventually be used for Social Care bringing 500 staff into the town centre. 140 flats for elderly people will be built in the Arran Mall.

13. Treasurers Report: Current balance on 03rd December 2024 is £1522.62.

14. Any Other Competent Business:

- (i) CC vacancies, ADSLCC to agree to continue to advertise for members.
- (ii) ADSLCC took part in the Remembrance Day Parade from Alloway Church to the Village Hall memorial on Sunday 10th November.
- (iii) Balgarth hotel CC Christmas Thrash 18th Dec 24 1830. Places available If you are quick, email Secretary by end of today.
- (iv) Pamela is pursuing replacement tree planting on Longhill Avenue.
- (v) Madge is pursuing stone masons to build the proposed wall and seating on the old toilet site.

- (vi) Sustrans path and tunnel closed for maintenance in January in parts at a time. Email from Cllr Shields tells of Ash die back trees being removed.
- (vii) ARA wishes to finalise problems with the Sensory Garden.
- (viii) Discussion took place of various suggestions for traffic safety at Greenfield Ave travelling west at the bend and speeding traffic at the roundabout. No one conclusion was reached.
- (ix) Maggi Kirkby has showed an interest in joining the CC.
- (x) Some discussion took place on donations to local groups. The Church foodbank was suggested.

15. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday 4th Feb 2024 at Alloway Primary School (1900-2100).

16. **Close.** 20.59. Wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

If you would like to become a part of your local Community Council, then why not attend one of our meetings and then become a voting member if you wish.

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