

Monkton Community Council Meeting

Thursday 20th March 2025

7pm – Carvick Webster Hall

Attendance

Harry Middleditch	Monkton Community Council
Nancy Dobbie	Monkton Community Council
Susan Pike	Monkton Community Council
David Jack	Monkton Community Council
Ewan Orr	Monkton Community Council
Mary Greenan	Monkton Community Council
Kimberly Andrew	Monkton Community Council
Councillor Ferry	Elected Member South Ayrshire Council
Gillian Anderson	SAC Link Officer
Andrea Arthur	Minute Secretary MCC

Apologies

Euan Sockell MCC

Record of Meeting – Notes	Actions / Comments
<u>Chair –Welcome</u> Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting at the Carvick Webster Hall. House rules covered fire alarms, emergency exits, toilets etc. Please switch off or have mobile phones on silent. Any points from the public please put through the Chair.	
<u>Declaration of Interest</u>	Allan Manson stated that if Monkton Pharmacy is discussed he will leave the meeting
<u>Matters arising from Previous Minutes– 20/02/2025</u> Treasurer to investigate commissioning of Toposcope to be sighted at Macrae monument remains outstanding and being followed up. MCC discussed the possibility of a Notice Board at entrance to Persimmon Homes Allan Manson MCC following up with Persimmon School playground gate had lost magnetic closing mechanism – remains outstanding New bins requested for area at cemetery entrance and at Station Road –secretary has emailed SAC and awaiting response Bushes/hedges overgrown on cemetery entrance and up driveway	Allan Manson has contacted the trustees and they are very interested Allan Manson also contacted and discussed this and Persimmon very interested. Gillian Anderson SAC checking with SAC for an update SAC looking into this. Secretary has emailed Iain Martin SAC This has now been reported to SAC maintenance. Susan to follow up

<p>State of roads and pavements discussed at last meeting and action was for all MCC members to report issues with ARA on-line.</p> <p>Arrow sign at Monktonhill roundabout causing confusion also to be reported</p> <p>Screen equipment missing part to be investigated.</p> <p>Minutes from MCC meeting proposed by Nancy Dobbie and seconded by Allan Manson</p>	<p>MCC members had done this individually. Some patches completed Station Road and out by airport road in the last few weeks. Close Action</p> <p>Ewan Orr MCC following up</p> <p>CLlr Dettbarn not in attendance to update- secretary to email CLlr JD for update</p> <p>Secretary send to SAC</p>
<p><u>Secretaries Correspondence</u></p> <p><u>South Ayrshire CAG Meeting</u></p> <p>Information shared with all and next meeting is on 27th March Girvan Academy 6.30 to 8.30 or can join on-line.</p> <p><u>Volunteer Litter Picking and Spring Clean Scotland</u></p> <p>Reminder that SAC delighted to be supporting keep Scotland beautiful this year with Spring Clean Scotland which takes place between 21st March and 21st April you can carry out a litter pick as part of a group, at work, with family and friends or on your own. Chair and Secretary had meeting with head teacher Karen Millar and Stuart Cairns (who is part of the school eco group) this morning. The school have signed up for a litter pick on Monday 31st March 2025. This will be P7 and some pupils from P6 and 5 – altogether about 30 pupils will take part. Time has been agreed to meet at school and commence litter pick at 1pm. Members of Community MCC and cosy spaces welcome to be part of the litter pick. School have been liaising with Caroline Borland from SAC as have MCC. Be good if MCC can donate a prized for best team?</p> <p>MCC still to agree a litter pick date and chair has emailed Scottish Enterprise about this as lot of rubbish being dumped in wooded area between village and Aerospace Park. Once a date agreed will be promoted.</p> <p><u>Update Monkton Primary School – Update from Head teacher</u></p> <p>Poppy Stones and VE Day Celebrations – in order to celebrate VE 80 day on Thursday 8th May 2025 schools are being encouraged to work with their communities to commemorate this day. As a Prestwick cluster idea would be to paint poppy stones and put on display at the war memorial in the village (Prestwick schools at the cross) Discussed MCC and cosy spaces getting involved in – helping P7 to paint stones and possibility local artist could get involved. Date would need to be after the Easter break – schools back 22nd April.</p>	<p>MCC agreed to donate prizes. Chair will purchase sweets</p> <p>Chair contacted Caroline Borland; SAC will arrange a date and advertise. SE still to give response so can progress arranging the litter pick</p> <p>War Memorial needs a clean-up in the next few weeks MCC to arrange.</p>

<p>School numbers remaining about same for next year total just now 163 with 32 in nursery. Next year total sitting at 158 and 31 nursery.</p> <p><u>Emailed ARA Daniel Hainey</u></p> <p>Reference any follow up on new poles being fitted for Monkton signage – it appears that the signage team have been busy responding to winter gritting. The replacement posts are top of their non-emergency works and been assured that they will be installed ASAP. Daniel will pass on the install date once agreed.</p> <p><u>Stagecoach –Buses Speeding</u></p> <p>Spoke with Fraser our police contact – about Stagecoach buses doing more than 20mph through the village. Also logged complaint directly with stagecoach. Fraser spoke with the operations manager and has advised that they have carried out investigations and no buses were found to be travelling in excess of the speed limits. There are trackers on the buses to monitor this. Stagecoach have now added an alert system on for the Monkton area whereby if any bus is travelling in excess of the speed limit then they would be alerted immediately, Stagecoach have also spoken to the drivers about complaints received.</p>	<p>Secretary to ask school to clarify school role including the nursery.</p> <p>Awaiting response on date agreed</p> <p>Agreed to continue to monitor and report as required</p>
<p><u>Treasurers Report –Allan Manson</u></p> <p><u>March 2025</u></p> <p>Opening Balance (14/02/25) £19,050.71 Closing Balance (18/03/25)£17,900.97 Difference -£1,149.74</p> <p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Monthly website charge – no further deductions made should be finished now</p> <p>Maintenance Budget Fully spent for 2024/25</p> <p>2025/2026 Maintenance Budget</p> <p><u>Expenditure</u></p> <p>BAC Hirebrand Ltd – KR/DP tribute night balance payment - £970.00 BAC Zurich Mutual – Annual CC Insurance Policy - £86.00 BAC Secretary – Purchase of Minute Secretary Vouchers, 3 sessions - £60.00 BAC Secretary – Stationery - £33.74</p> <p>TOTAL - £1,149.74</p>	<p>Grant application pending, will be submitted after accounts audit.</p>
<p><u>Planning Update – Ewan Orr MCC</u></p> <p>As of last SAC Planning update, there are no new planning applications of any note to report.</p> <p>There has been no further response from SAC Planning regarding the proposed pipeline through Monkton for the Persimmon development. Ewan Orr MCC emailed again re SAC Cabinet meeting that took place in December to see if he could pass on any information</p>	<p>Ewan to respond with thank you but make sure that the plan correspondence with all</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IRIS Screening <p>Hall booked. The film night will be 'Sing-a-long Wicked' from 6-10pm. To discuss whether to charge or just a donation. No licence required and a Tuck Shop also mentioned.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stalls • Licensing Process • Treasure Hunt • Black Rock 	<p>Keep on agenda and follow up as required</p> <p>Still confirming with vendors.</p> <p>This is in progress.</p> <p>To be discussed in conjunction with the school at their next meeting on 26th March.</p> <p>David MCC to speak to Catherine Gala Committee to discuss further and help if needed.</p>
<p><u>Regular Reports</u></p> <p><u>Police Report -</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This covers the period from 20/02/25 to 19/03/25 with details provided in relation to the local priorities highlighted in the 2023-26 Local Police Plan for South Ayrshire. <p><u>Cllr Ferry –</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCC discussed speeding at length with Cllr Ferry. Jane Corrie ARA, Traffic Calming measures between islands and cushions, would they work? This would be as a last resort as it would be too noisy for those living right where they are located. Also discussed was positioning 3 signs at the entry points to the village with sensor lights but this would be too expensive. SWECO had previously conducted an exercise whereby data was collected over a period of time. The results are still not known to MCC. <p><u>Gillian Anderson SAC Link Officer</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No updates to report. • Hogmanay Event 	<p>Police Report available on request.</p> <p>Cllr Ferry to follow up and get data released and discussed at a future meeting.</p> <p>Chair to ask Jodie McFarlane SAC regarding booking of hall and janitorial cover. Chair to send booking for the let</p>
<p><u>Any Other Business /Open Forum.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planters for village. Volunteers did planters last year and are required again. • Monkton Community wellbeing Event Thursday 27th March, 11am-2pm. This is a free event for residents of Monkton, Prestwick and Symington. Craft Activities, Guest speakers, Information Stall, Anxiety & Stress Management, Breathing & 	<p>MCC agreed. Budget to be decided at next meeting.</p> <p>Anyone interested to email tracy.winner-scott@south-ayrshire.gov.uk. Some MCC</p>

<p>Visualisation, Mindfulness and much more.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cosy Spaces. <p>Mary Greenan MCC reported that the group is doing well and funds were ok.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hogmanay Event 2025 raised again 	<p>members will be in attendance and hopefully a good turn out and some good feedback.</p> <p>Harry to apply again and asked Cllr Ferry to find out if MCC can be trained to cover this event. Gillian Anderson SAC Link Officer to also ask if anyone on the bank list would cover this event? The contact is Jodie McFarlane SAC.</p>
<p>Closing thanks from the Chair and thank you for attending. Next meeting Thursday 17th April 2025.</p>	