

Barr Community Council

Minutes

Thursday 12th Feb 2026 7pm Barr Village Hall

Present: Maggie Bunnett (MB), John Bunnett (JB), Hamish Denham (HD), Lesley McCleary (LMcC), Councillor Alan Lamont (AL), Jill Tomlinson SAC (JT), Colette McPherson (CMcP), Annie Sealey (AS),

<i>Item</i>	<i>Minute</i>	<i>Action</i>
1	Sederunt: as above.	
2	Declaration of Interest on Agenda items: None	
3	Apologies: Tom Walker, Matt Cross (HD) advised Rob Newsham had advised his resignation and no intention to restand	
4	Police Report – None received but (Cllr AL has been in contact)	
5	Minutes of previous meeting Proposed (JB) 2 nd (HD)	
6	Matters arising not on agenda – None.	
7	Stinchar Connections (JB) reported that they are now a SCIO, applying for funding from Carrick Futures (Apr 26-Mar 27). Now looking to move forward from pilot phase to next phase. They had a £4000 underspend that they have been given permission to use for graphics/website etc. Extending the CB8 service to include a few evenings a week has been mentioned and the CC will look into this.	
8	Foundation Scotland: FS have discontinued the current funding panel model and Nadara has agreed with a pilot winter fuel grant which is underway. SSE will not allow their funding to be used for individuals but are keen on the community being involved in fund application decisions. The registration for the fuel grant includes a request for contact emails so that residents can be directly involved. The registration will run up to the 31 st March and FS are hosting a drop in on Sat 28 th Feb. SSE legacy ballot has been posted to all households. Jen Williams, independent community worker has been engaged to receive the ballot responses and report the outcome.	
9	Treasurers Report Bank at 12/2/26 £26,5378.31 Ring Fenced SFT (Digital training) £6,500.00 Tralorg £9,718.00 Carrick F Micro Grant Fund £3,760.00	

	<p>Barr Fund Micro Grant Fund £5,899.41</p> <p>Reserves £900.75</p> <p>Admin Grant Bal (£365 due in) £160.15</p> <p>Planning (HD) reported the there have been no applications</p> <p>Outstanding Work (SAC) – (Cllr AL) Working on the action log. Log has been updated.</p> <p>SACCA – nothing to report</p>	
10	<p>Correspondence:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dinmurchie Trail, issue reported by a number of residents. In first instance ask SAC to confirm this path is still a right of way. Landowner has placed signs to direct walkers on a different route. The CC will decide on next steps when right of way advised. 2. Carrick Windfarm was turned down but the applicant has taken this to judicial review. We are in receipt of this advise and will be asked to comment. 3. There has been numerous reports of logging lorries entering/leaving Changue Forest via Changue Road. (MC) & (MB) have been in communication and had reassurance from FLS that this is not allowed and they have placed some extra signage to try and ensure this does not happen. Situation will be monitored. 	
11	<p>Open Forum – (JT) reminded the CC that the nomination date for CC elections close at 4pm on Fri 13th Feb.</p>	
12	<p>AOCB – None</p>	
14	<p>Date of next meeting : 12th Mar 2026 7pm which will be last one for this council. Meeting closed 20.00pm</p>	
15	<p>One funding application was discussed for support for a proposed Farming Day in Barr hosted by Minuntion Estate. This is backed by RHET (Royal Highland Education Trust) and will included all things farming, rural and farm to fork type stands. The intention is to introduce all P4/P5 children to rural skills, animals etc. The smaller schools such as Barr would all attend. It was generally agreed this was a good event but the applicate needs a local sponsor rather than RHET. Feedback and request such as the Parent Council Sponsor. Agreed funding on this condiditon.</p>	