

**Minutes of Belmont and Kincaidston Community Council**  
Thursday 3rd April 2025 @ 7.30pm 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), Dennis McLellan (M), Dianne Markham (M)

**Visitors:** None

**Apologies:** Donald McLean (M), Matthew Grant (LO), Hezekiah Adesina (M), Councillor Mary Kilpatrick, Councillor Chris Cullen, Councillor Brian McGinley

<i>Item</i>	<i>Minute</i>	<i>Action</i>
1	Sederunt was passed around, and the meeting was quorate with 8 members in attendance out of a current membership of 10.	
2	<p><b>Community Police Report</b></p> <p>Time period covered is 01/03/25 to 30/03/25 for Beats covering Ayr East Ward. (The system has not updated to include the crimes on 31/3/25)</p> <p>Crimes 71 with 72 detected.</p> <p>Crimes of violence (Assaults and Stalking) 12</p> <p>Crimes of dishonesty (Fraud, Theft and attempts) 8</p> <p>Damage and Reckless Behaviour (Vandalism and Culpable and Reckless Conduct) 4</p> <p>Crimes against Society (Breach of bail, Drugs offences, Weapons) 2</p> <p>Anti-social Offences (Threatening or Abusive behaviour) 11</p> <p>Miscellaneous Crimes (Dangerous Dogs, communication offences) 1</p> <p>Road Traffic Offences (careless driving, speeding, fail to stop, MOT, Insurance) 17</p>	.
3	<p><b>Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting in March -</b></p> <p>Proposer – Flora Fleming    Seconder – Dennis McLellan</p>	Secretary to send the approved minutes to Thriving Communities.
4	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b> – We have had a debit transaction of £4.25 on our account for bank charges. This is a new charge and may be monthly. Our annual insurance premium was debited on 1<sup>st</sup> April for £97.20. £875 of funding received from South Ayr Health and Social Care LPP. See below.</p>	Treasurer to extract a statement from the account to send to SAC to claim reimbursement for insurance as usual.
5	<p><b>Secretary Correspondence</b> – We have been successful in our bid for participatory budget funding from South Ayr Health and Social Care Partnership LPP of £850 for a fantastic one-day event for local children to enjoy in Belmont and Kincaidston. Undersky will be running the event which is mainly outdoors and consists of three sessions each with up to 30 children. This is all paid for by the funding received by BKCC. Date to be advertised and confirmed soon.</p> <p>Secretary has composed an explanatory document complete with photographs and including comments from the Place Plan survey which explains our ideas for Capital Ward projects in our part of Ayr East ward. This was sent out to Mike Newall directly, along with Chris Cox, our three councillors and all members of the BKCC during March. Mike Newall responded quickly to say our requests would be considered and he forwarded it to Kevin Braidwood.</p>	

	<p>Upgrade of the play park on Woodpark as well as tree planting and improvement to paths. New surfaces and benches, bin.</p> <p>Reconfiguration of The Mount to make sure there is a footpath all the way around. Possible parking bays would need consultation with residents.</p> <p>Reinstatement of a new noticeboard at Kincaidston shops - to replace the one that fell - complete with a concrete/slabbed platform.</p> <p>Dianne was at a meeting discussing biodiversity in South Ayrshire and the South Ayrshire Council rangers asked if they could get involved with the tree planting at Woodpark play area.</p>	<p>Secretary to contact the South Ayrshire Rangers to ask about their help with planting trees at Woodpark play area.</p> <p>Secretary to invite South Ayrshire Rangers to our meeting.</p>
6	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p>The Big Cheerio is an event by South Ayrshire Council, Voluntary Action South Ayrshire and the Ageing Well Champions Board taking place at Ayr Town Hall on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2025 12.30 – 4pm. The event is to be fun and educational on what you might do to get prepared for your “Big Cheerio”, i.e. writing a will, Powers of Attorney, (financial and care issues).</p>	
7	<p><b>Meeting ended at 2005hrs. Next meeting –on May 1st, 2025, 7.15pm</b></p>	

Meetings take place usually on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month in the conference room in Belmont Academy on the ground floor. Contact secretary on [secbkcc@outlook.com](mailto:secbkcc@outlook.com) or see our Facebook/Meta page.