

## **Monkton Community Council Meeting**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April 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
Mary Greenan	Monkton Community Council
Kimberly Andrew	Monkton Community Council
Allan Manson	Monkton Community Council

Apologies: Euan Sockell MCC, Euan Orr MCC, Andrea Arthur Minute Secretary MCC, Gillian Anderson SAC Link Officer

<b>Record of Meeting – Notes</b>	<b>Actions / Comments</b>
<p><b><u>Chair –Welcome</u></b></p> <p>Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting at the Carvick Webster Hall.</p> <p>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.</p> <p><b><u>Declaration of Interest</u></b></p> <p>Allan Manson MCC would leave room if anything discussed on Monkton Pharmacy</p>	
<p><b><u>Matters arising from Previous Minutes– 20/03/2025</u></b></p> <p>Treasurer to investigate commissioning of Toposcope to be sighted at Macrae monument remains outstanding and being followed up. Allan Manson MCC has contacted trustees and had no update.</p> <p>MCC had discussed the possibility of a Notice Board at entrance to Persimmon Homes and Allan Manson MCC following up with Persimmon and linked to first point above.</p> <p>School playground gate had lost magnetic closing mechanism – remains outstanding Gillian Anderson SAC was checking and absent from meeting.</p> <p>New bins requested for area at cemetery entrance and at Station Road – conformation that this will not be possible due to close proximity of other bins in area requested</p> <p>Bushes/hedges overgrown on cemetery entrance and up driveway remain outstanding. Secretary emailed SAC 17/04/2025 to ask for follow up – no response to date.</p> <p>Screen equipment for Carvick Webster Hall -missing part to be investigated remains outstanding. Cllr Dettbarn was checking and not at meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Ferry was to follow up with ARA/Sweco to ask for data to be released re previous traffic survey? Cllr Ferry not at meeting.</p>	<p>AM will follow up again with trustees</p> <p>AM MCC also contacted and discussed this and Persimmon very interested.</p> <p>Secretary follow up with GA</p> <p>Action Closed</p> <p>Secretary continue to pursue with SAC</p> <p>Secretary email Cllr Dettbarn to ask for update</p> <p>Secretary email Cllr Ferry to ask for update</p>

<p>War memorial clean up was to be arranged. Confirmed that Chair and treasurer would follow up and complete next week.</p> <p>Minutes from MCC meeting proposed by David Jack and seconded by Nancy Dobbie.</p>	<p>Action closed</p> <p>Secretary send copy to SAC</p>
<p><b><u>Secretaries Correspondence</u></b></p> <p><b><u>South Ayrshire CAG Meeting</u></b></p> <p>Information continues to be shared with all - meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> March at Girvan Academy 6.30 to 8.30 or can join on-line.</p> <p>Nancy Dobbie MCC attended online and asked about the upkeep of these new paths and was told it would be volunteers and National trust groups etc, that would look after them Nancy did point out that paths already completed were being made inaccessible by the winter storms leaving stony rubble in their wake . Next meeting Dundonald May 6th.</p> <p><b><u>Volunteer Litter Picking and Spring Clean Scotland</u></b></p> <p>The school signed up for a litter pick on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 and this was successful with collection of 6 bags/ MCC donated sweets as prizes for the pupils.</p> <p>No litter pick date was agreed for Community litter pick as not confirmed by Colliers and relevant parties - a lot of rubbish being dumped in wooded area between village and Aerospace Parkland seemed ideal to complete the litter pick at that area.</p> <p>Poppy Stones and VE Day Celebrations – in order to celebrate VE 80 day on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> 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)</p> <p>Discussed MCC and cosy spaces getting involved in – helping P7 to paint stones and local artist has agreed to get involved. Date would need to be after the Easter break –schools back 22nd April.</p> <p>School going to lay stones on the 8<sup>th</sup> May in morning.</p> <p>Information sent t to all MCC on the ‘Big Cheerio’ event that is taking place on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May. To book your space and for more information, please use this link <a href="https://bit.ly/BigCheerio">https://bit.ly/BigCheerio</a> or the QR code on the poster.</p> <p>SAC Scheme for establishment for Community Councils – currently under review and update sent to all CC members. First 8 weeks of the review now available on website or paper copies available in local libraries closing date 28/05/2025</p> <p>Reminder that the Annual General Meeting takes place at our next meeting 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025. Election of office bearers will also take place and be facilitated by Gillian Anderson our SAC link officer.</p>	<p>ND will continue to attend when can and secretary will copy all MCC in agenda , minutes and all details from CAG meetings</p> <p>Action Closed</p> <p>Chair to liaise with Head Teacher to agree date</p>
<p><b><u>Treasurers Report –Allan Manson</u></b></p> <p><b><u>March 2025</u></b></p> <p>Opening Balance (18/03/25) £17,900.97</p> <p>Closing Balance (01/04/25) £17,126.73</p> <p>Difference -£774.24</p> <p><b><u>Expenditure</u></b></p> <p>£4.25 bank service charge</p>	

<p>£552.99 Rock Awnings –replacement gala tents as agreed  £202.50 SAC Lets hall hire for DP/KR night event Carvick Webster Hall  £14.50 prizes sweets for school litter pick  TOTAL - £774.24</p> <p>No income for the period</p> <p>2025/2026 Annual Maintenance grant can now be applied for and proceeds of Dolly and Kenny night will be added to next year's accounts</p> <p>Final Reconciliation provided and has been sent to all MCC members for perusal ahead of meeting.  Budget Positions provided and all will be updated again at AGM as part of treasurer's report.  Accounts now finalised and have been checked by Audrey Drummond and email sent to Secretary to confirm all in order. All ahead of AGM in May.</p> <p>Treasurer commented good to see that we are bringing in monies but also spending and this is good to see when going through annual accounts.</p> <p>Budget for flowers for planters in village discussed. All agreed with the £600 proposed by treasurer.</p>	<p>Annual maintenance grant can be applied for by Secretary for MCC  Census number still to be clarified by SAC for MCC</p>
<p><b><u>Planning Update – Ewan Orr MCC –Not in attendance and Chair gave update</u></b></p> <p>There are no planning applications of any note to report as of Friday 11/04/2025; the next planning update is due the day after the meeting.</p>	
<p><b><u>Place Planning –Monkton Community Action Plan – Nancy Dobbie MCC</u></b></p> <p>Community Lead Action Plan Launch took place before MCC meeting on 17/04/2025</p> <p><u>LPP meeting held on Monday 24th March</u>  The 3rd meeting to promote the LPP (Monkton Community Action Plan) was held in Monkton on the 27th March at the Carvick Webster Hall this is the final of 3meetings.</p> <p>Monkton Community Lead Action Plan completed and 194 copies printed and available at the presentation before the MCC meeting. Copies to be given to local shops and has been promoted on relevant social media sites.</p> <p>Peter Lorrimer, Trustee of Macraes Monument also gave a very interesting talk on the history of Macraes monument.</p> <p>Launch of Community Action Plan – 17<sup>th</sup> April before the MCC meeting was unfortunately not well attended despite being advertised and promoted. Hall was set out with great pictures of the history of Monkton.</p> <p>Thank you for Audrey Gatt SAC for all of her support and input in producing the Monkton Community Lead Action Plan 2025-2030</p> <p>Other LPP Subjects have been  Jan was Money Matters  Feb was International's Woman's day  March was Health and well being</p>	

<p>Berelands Nursing home are having a Ball at the Carlton Hotel May 9th for all their residents to promote enjoying life and accessibility to all.</p> <p>Prestwick recycling Saturday first Saturday of each month 10: 30am to 11am Community Centre Car Park no money exchanges more like a swap shop recycle instead of landfill.</p> <p>Also attended the access panel meeting on Monday 14th April, it's a group that are advising and trying to get Ayrshire roads, pavements, buildings and parks more accessible to all.</p>	
<p><b><u>Events Update – David Jack MCC</u></b></p> <p>Kenny Rogers/Dolly Parton Tribute Evening went well and everyone enjoyed the event. Raffle went well and over £300 raised. Bar also went well. Wee issue with spot lights on stage but all ok.</p> <p><b><u>Gala Event</u></b></p> <p>Catherine Robertson sent her apologies and update was still looking for raffle prizes and volunteers</p> <p>Semex still to respond about wellie throwing and treasure hunt will be in week before the Gala.</p> <p>Iris screening –film the evening before the Gala – they bring all their own kit. Hall all booked and film night will be Sing-along-wicked from 6pm to 10pm. No charge for this will be donations.</p> <p>Equipment for hall discussed ( PO completed and approved SAC)</p> <p>Community Council link with SAC then choose correct equipment – Audrey Gatt Project lead , David Jack MCC agree requirements and liaise with SAC technician</p>	<p>AGatt, DJ liaise with contact at SAC to progress</p>
<p><b><u>Regular Reports</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Police Report - Chair read out the report</u></b></p> <p>This covers period from 19/03/2025 to 15/04/2025 with details provided in relation to the local priorities highlighted in the 2023-2026 Police Plan for South Ayrshire</p> <p>Comment made that there was an accident on station road last week and car hit janitor's car. Also some vandalism at Fairfield.</p> <p>Please encourage public to report incident with the police</p> <p>No updates from SA Councillors – none in attendance</p>	<p>Police Report available on request.</p>
<p><b><u>Any Other Business /Open Forum.</u></b></p> <p>Church at old cemetery raised again by member of public as gate closed and asked what is happening – MCC mentioned the structural survey that was being carried out</p> <p>Nancy Dobbie had attended an access panel meeting –all about checking for accessibility in areas –currently auditing areas.</p>	<p>Secretary to follow up with relevant department</p>

<p>Ongoing traffic issues in village – remains bigger issues and awaiting Cllr Ferry response on speaking with ARA and Sweco. A separate meeting with new head of ARA at some point in future would be good.</p> <p>ARA have been watching people who park on pavements –as new law coming into force and will be enforced. Fine will be £100 for parking on pavements enforced by Scottish Office. Opened up for MCC on what our position would be as we would likely be asked by local community on what was happening etc. Several options discussed –get ARA to mark parking bays, mark off spaces, residents parking bays, residents permit? Etc</p> <p>Allan Manson MCC asked about cutting down of trees in main street – was discussed some time ago but wanted to check do they have the tree preservation order on them and how would we check ?</p>	<p>All MCC to have further think about the matter and discuss at May meeting</p> <p>Secretary to email Fiona Ross SAC to ask for more information</p>
<p>Closing thanks from the Chair and thank you for attending. Next meeting Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May2025 and this will also be the Annual General Meeting. Election of office bearers will take place and SAC link officer Gillian Anderson will facilitate.</p>	