

Dunure Community Council Annual General Meeting 21st May 2024, Kennedy Hall

Present

Greg Paterson	Chair	GP
Angus Craig	Vice-chair	AC
Tracy Craig	Secretary	TC
Irene Collier	Treasurer	IC
Janey McCreath	Member	JM
Mhairi Eaglesham	Member	ME
Patrick Hill	Member	PH
Callum McCutcheon	Member	CM
Milissa McCulloch	SAC	MM

Adoption of previous minutes

Proposed Janey McCreath, Seconded Mhairi Eaglesham

AGM Chairperson's Report Dunure Community Council 2023-24

I want to start by personally thanking all the members and South Ayrshire Council, in particular Provost Iain Campbell for the hard work, support and guidance that they have contributed towards our village over this past year without which our efforts would not be anywhere as successful as they have been. I would also like to thank members of the community that have played their role in reporting issues needing our attention.

Speeding traffic in and around the village remains an area of concern for everyone and one which we are working together with Ayrshire Roads Alliance to tackle by agreeing and implementing a 20mph scheme along with some physical traffic calming measures and signage, Ayrshire Roads Alliance have indicated that the work to progress this should begin in June '24.

There continues to be a traffic problem at the harbour and Kennedy hall area since the Anchorage have closed off their car park, causing visitors to the area that are unfamiliar with it to assume that they can access the park by driving round past the hall and along the back of the houses when they can't exit via the Anchorage car park, some actually getting stuck while trying to reverse back out and needing recovered and others trying to turn around only to find a queue behind them blocking their exit. The signage has been made to

hopefully alleviate this issue, however the community council are still waiting on this being installed by Ayrshire Roads Alliance. We are unsure why it has taken as long but hopefully these will be installed soon. I have written to Elena Whitham MSP to try to move this forward.

We had contact from Alec and Sandra McColm from the village to seek assistance on an erosion problem where the Castle burn that runs through the south end of Carrick Place was washing away their garden and leaving it very unsafe indeed. With the help of Provost Iain Campbell and William Andrew the service lead for property maintenance from South Ayrshire council who organised civil engineering contractors I.H. Borland to carry out erosion defence work at the burn by installing Gabion baskets and reinstating their garden which was a great outcome. The community council received a nice email from Alec thanking us for our help.

There has been an annual issue in the Autumn with leaves on the pavement leading from the Croft to the harbour, this has been a problem for years however last Autumn once all leaves were down South Ayrshire council came out in force and cleared them fully which was great to see. I hope that this Autumn the leaves are cleared as effectively as they were last year.

Ayrshire Roads Alliance ran a winter resilience scheme last year to supply communities with any new grit bins (Carrick place), gloves, spreaders and shovels to allow us to grit pavements ourselves. I applied to it for Dunure and we currently have the equipment stored nearby so that in the event of heavy snowfall the community can rally and deal with it ourselves.

We had Neil Smith come to our November meeting to explain about the Living Seas Snorkel trails that the Scottish wildlife trust have and how our coastline was going to be included as it is rich in sea life, particularly recent sightings of a Humpback whale breaching in the Firth of Clyde.

North Carrick Community Benefit company who are working on a North Carrick art trail and have enlisted David Powell from CRAG Community Arts to work on a sculpture for each village in the Bruce's Web as this year marks the 750th anniversary of Robert The Bruce's birth. The school children from Fisherton primary have been working on this and will have the successful sculpture made by CRAG to display in the village. More can be found on Bruce's Web [here](#).

During the last year we have continued to work towards a better Dunure for residents and visitors alike, this is something that I enjoy being a part of however, for personal reasons I have taken the decision to step down as Chairman at the AGM, I will be remaining on the community council but not as an office bearer. I wish the new Chairperson every success moving forward and dealing with everything that the post entails.

Greg Paterson
Chairman
Dunure Community Council

Approval of the Chairpersons report

Irene Collier confirmed the accounts will be completed by 27th May and will be put forward for approval.

Election of Office Bearers

Milissa McCulloch is going to take charge of the vote.

Current office bearers step down.

Chair –	Vacant
Acting Chair - Proposed	Angus Craig Janey McCreath, Seconded Greg Paterson
Vice Chair - Proposed	Calum McCutcheon Tracy Craig Seconded Irene Collier
Secretary – Proposed	Tracy Craig Mhairi Eaglesham Seconded Angus Craig
Treasurer – Proposed	Irene Collier Tracy Craig Seconded Greg Paterson
Licensing - Planning -	Tracy Craig Tracy Craig

Irene Collier asked for confirmation that we could have just the two signatories on the bank account. It was agreed she could but she is looking to add TC and CM also

The Chair confirmed that the Constitution has been signed by himself and two other members of the Community Council.

No appointments of Community Councillors to outside bodies to declare.

Appointment of Jane Kruze as independent examiner for the accounts.

Inventory and Additional resources – Laptop and kindle firestick. As no one on the committee requires the laptop, AC suggested it could be used by the youth club.

Winter resilient kit is in the park store.

Date of the next AGM 20th May 2025