

CARSPHAIRN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minute of meeting held at 7.00pm on 27th June 2022 in Lagwyne Hall

Present:

Elected Members:

Liz Holmes (Chair)	Andrew Metcalf	Matt Hickman (Minutes)
Simon Holmes	Sylvia Sinclair (Vice Chair)	Anna Clark Kennedy (Secretary)
Darren Challis (Treasurer)	Clare Duggleby	Ben Ade
	Christine Whipp	

In Attendance:

Steven Cowley	Jane Metcalf	David McMillan
Martin Temple	Juliet Dixon	Wendy Fenton
Cllr J Denerley	Jackie Locke	A Clarke
Dennis McLean	Margaret McLean	Sign language interpreter for Cllr Denerley

1. Welcome and Apologies.

LH welcomed all to the meeting.

Apologies were received from Fiona McQuin, Cllr Dougie Campbell, Cllr Andy McFarlane, Ian and Mary Saunders, Melissa Ade and Sarah Ade.

2. Declarations of Interest.

None.

3. Approval of Minutes of meeting 25th February 2020 and the 12 CC reports from 03/2020 to 05/2022.

The minutes and reports were approved.

Proposed DC

Seconded MH.

4. Treasurer's Report.

Attached.

5. Police Report.

No police present. Report attached.

6. D&G Councillor's Report.

Councillor John Denerley introduced himself and stressed his enthusiasm to work with the community.

There are 3 elected members of DGC representing the Glenkens. All are available to contact and will take turns to attend CCC meetings.

7. Elections of Associate Members.

4 applications were received for positions as associate members. Ian Saunders application was withdrawn prior to the meeting. The applications from Katriona Holmes, Melissa Ade and Sarah Ade were all supported by the required 2/3 majority and were thus approved.

Ian Saunders' resigned his role as inspector of the community defibrillators. He will continue to check the defibrillators until a replacement for this important work is found. The meeting asked for thanks to be recorded for his contribution to date.

8. Trevor Molineux.

The meeting expressed its sincere regrets at the news of Trevor's passing. Trevor had made a significant contribution to the resilience group for many years and could be regularly seen working in the village for the benefit of the whole community. The Chair requested our gratitude be recorded and condolences sent to Joan, Trevor's wife.

9. Matters arising from report of April/May 2022

a/ War Memorial - MH explained progress to date. There had been no contacts from the article in the Glenkens Gazette. It was agreed to progress the project anyway as the memorial is a relevant part of the community's heritage. CD offered to help MH organise the renovation. MH will continue to liaise with the Heritage Initiative.

b/ Notice Board – BA advised that the manufacturing of the sign is now finished and he awaits an installation date, hopefully soon.

c/ Glenkens Housing Needs Report – The report has now been published and is available to view here - [LINK HERE](#)

d/ Village Planters – The flower planters in the village had previously been removed by DGC and not replaced as they were considered beyond repair. They have now been renovated by Andrew Sinclair and are back in position. Andrew was thanked for doing this work and will provide an invoice. SS will arrange for more flowers to be planted.

e/ Bairn Banter – The meeting thanked Melissa Ade for running such an imaginative project and including all ages and sections of the community. Events will continue during the school holidays including a samba drumming workshop on 9th July.

f/ Queen's Jubilee Event – LH was thanked for organising this very successful event, the first community get-together since COVID. Carsphairn Tea Room provided tea and entertainment was from Kilmarnock Brass Band. ACK asked for her apologies to be recorded.

g/ Traffic Calming – It was noted that Trevor Molineux had progressed this project to date. There was discussion regarding Corsock CC's recent provision of similar speed signs in their community. DGC have made it clear we cannot connect to the street light circuit and that they will not fund such signs. JM suggested contacting the Police requesting an increased presence to deter speeding. It was agreed an application would be made to CREFL to ringfence £15000 for this potential future project. Councillor Denerly offered to help with traffic calming. **ACTION** – AM to progress this and make an application to CREFL. Proposed DC, second MH.

h/ Carsphairn Primary School – The Chair explained that DGC have long held aspirations to close the village school and have failed twice in the past. There is a current misconception that the school is actually closed when it is presently only mothballed. It was felt that there had been a serious lack of meaningful consultation with the community. The absence of an annual review in 2019 was considered regrettable. DGC will begin the closure process this autumn. The timeline for the closure is attached. It was agreed that the CC will not write to the education department at this stage.

10. Windfarms.

a/ Lorg – A completely new application is in the scoping process for this development. It is proposed 75% of the construction traffic will use the Ken road. It was agreed this route is not fit for purpose. **ACTION** CW will draft a communication as a result of the exhibition held in the hall to raise concerns about meaningful consultation and engagement.

b/ Benbrack – There will be a community information event in the hall on Tuesday 28th June 2-7 pm.

c/ Repowering Windy Standard 1 – LH had attended the open day on Saturday.

d/ South Kyle – The towers and turbines are currently being erected. Discussions with Foundation Scotland remain ongoing as to how the communities involved will handle the benefit fund.

e/ Windy Rig – SS explained the agreement regarding the split on the benefit fund. There are 9 communities to receive funding. As host community Carsphairn will receive 1/3 of the total with the remaining 8 communities taking 1/12th each. CREFL will administer our share. LH and SS were thanked for having handled this complex negotiation and achieving an admirable result for our community.

f/ Other Windfarm Business – It was noted there were on-going complaints from within the community regarding the reinstatement of the laydown area. It was agreed to contact Doug Wilson. **ACTION** SS to try to arrange a site meeting to discuss.

11. Forestry Developments.

FLS is running a 12 week consultation on the strategy for National Forests and Land. Interested parties are encouraged to contribute. [LINK HERE](#)

12. LEDS

DC explained that an application would have to be made to CREFL's August meeting for the funding to cover this year's scheme. It was agreed to progress the scheme for 2022. Proposed LH, second ACK. There will be an email conversation between elected members regarding the payment to each household this time. DC and MH will take ownership of this scheme.

13. CCT Report.

DM explained that the updated Future Plan had been published. The help group set up by CCT at the beginning of COVID will remain in operation for the time being. All the extra-curricular grants have now been assessed, CCT are awaiting funds to be drawn down.

14. Planning Applications.

The proposed Holm Hill Substation was discussed with concerns raised regarding its visual impacts.

ACTION – ACK to contact the developer and communicate our feelings.

15. Correspondence.

Representatives from the CatStrand had asked to attend a future CCC meeting. **ACTION** ACK to contact and offer time at August or September meeting.

16. AORB.

The issue of the garden maintenance was raised. It was agreed to offer an increase in payment to the current contractor. Proposed CD, second LH. **ACTION** DC to make application to CREFL for the increased amount.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Date of next meeting – 29th August 2022 at 7.00 pm.

Carsphairn Community Council - Treasurer's Report for June 2022

Community Council General Transactions and Balance

No Transactions

Community Council Balance **£2,524.81**

Ring-fenced Transactions and Balances for Funded Projects:

Community Garden (CREFL)

No Transactions

Balance **£402.96**

Resilience Group

No Transactions

Balance **£34.07**

Bairn Banter (CREFL)

No Transactions

Balance **£175.33**

Bairn Banter

No Transactions

Balance **£45.25**

Bairn Banter – Furniture (CREFL)

<u>Payment Details</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Paid Out</u>	<u>Paid in</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<i>Brought Forward</i>				£0.00
CREFL	Grant		1564.71	£1,564.71
Melissa Ade	Advance	1564.71		£0.00
Balance				£0.00

Young Deciders (Vattenfall - South Kyle)

No Transactions

Balance **£642.40**

D&G Council Hardship Fund

No Transactions

Balance **£916.90**

Jubilee Celebration (CREFL)

<u>Payment Details</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Paid Out</u>	<u>Paid in</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<i>Brought Forward</i>				-£311.46
L Duncan	Food and Refreshments	1216.00		-£1,527.46
Kilmarnock Concert	Brass Band	150.00		-£1,677.46
Liz Holmes	Bunting	46.03		-£1,723.49
Balance				-£1,723.49

Ring-fenced Balance **£493.42**

Bank Account Balance as at start of day 27th June 2022 **£3,018.23**

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT
POLICE SCOTLAND

DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Community Council – Carsphairn
Date of Meeting - June 2022
Officer Attending / Report Prepared By - PC Baird V0523
<u>Crime Update (cover Performance / Issues / Trends)</u> No crimes of note in your area since date of last report Please continue to report any information and/or suspicious vehicles and persons to Police via 101
Significant Incidents / Occurrences - (Local / Divisional / National)
Matters brought to Police attention by Council
Response given to above points at the meeting
Further action to be taken regarding above point
Section Sergeant (Comments)

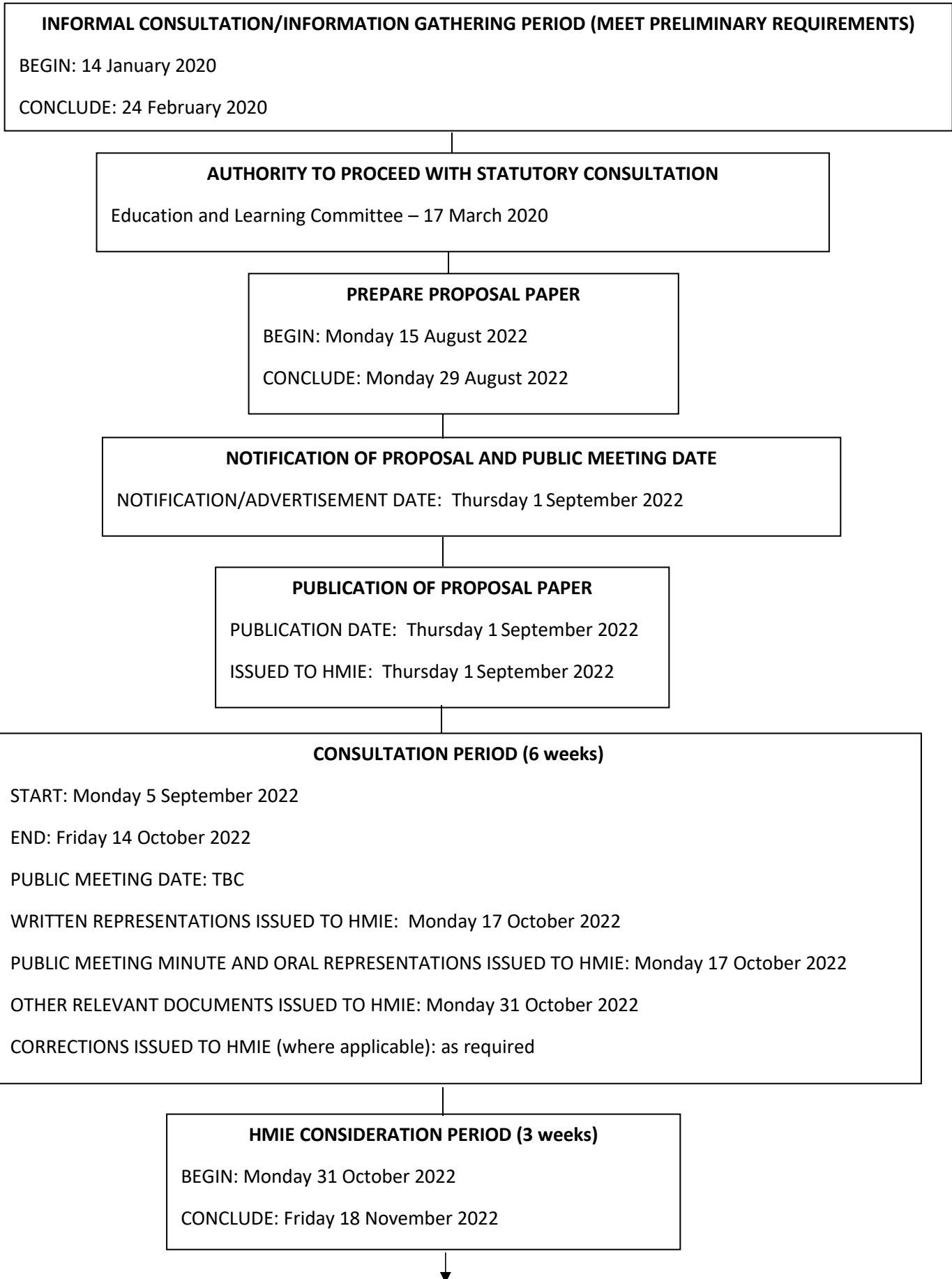
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Area Inspector (Comments)

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Appendix

SCHOOLS (CONSULTATION) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010 – TIMELINE - CARSPHAIRN PRIMARY SCHOOL (SCHOOL CLOSURE)



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PREPARE CONSULTATION REPORT
BEGIN: Monday 21 November 2022
CONCLUDE: Wednesday 30 November 2022

PUBLICATION OF CONSULTATION REPORT
NOTIFICATION/ADVERTISEMENT DATE: Thursday 1 December 2022
PUBLICATION DATE: Thursday 1 December 2022
NOTIFICATION FOR THOSE THAT MADE WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS: Thursday 1 December 2022
ISSUED TO HMIE: Thursday 1 December 2022

PERIOD FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION (3 weeks)
BEGIN: Monday 5 December 2022
CONCLUDE: Friday 23 December 2022

AUTHORITY TO PROCEED WITH PROPOSAL
Education and Learning Committee – Jan/Feb 2023

NOTIFY SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT (within 6 working days of decision)
DATE: Jan/Feb 2023
NOTICE ON WEBSITE OF SG NOTIFICATION: Jan/Feb 2022

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT CALL-IN PERIOD TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS (3 weeks)
BEGIN: Jan/Feb 2023
CONCLUDE: Feb/March 2023



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