

**Minutes of the meeting held at the 65 Club, Main Street, Prestwick
on Tuesday 26th November 2019**

The meeting commenced at 19.05hrs

Present:

PNCC Community Councillors:

Derek Hart, Chair: Margaret Milligan, Secretary: Shirley Harris, Treasurer:
Al Priestnall: Patricia Young: Theresa Sander: Julie Twaddell:

Prestwick South Community Council:

Norrie Smith, Chair: Alison Quinn, Vice Chair & Secretary:
June Whittaker, Treasurer: Bob Smith, Airport Contact:
Jim Riach: John Park:

South Ayrshire Council:

Cllrs. Hugh Hunter: Margaret Toner: Provost Helen Moonie:
Linda Warwick, Liaison Officer:

Police Scotland:

Police Constables Coulter & McClymont: Chief Inspector Brian Anderson:

In Attendance:

Residents: I Ferguson: T Halpin: V Mijatovic: E Ferguson: J & R Taylor (65 Club):
C Palmer: L Hainey: R Bramwell: J Morris: B Mitchell: E Ferguson:

Apologies:

PNCC C/Cllr Jim Ronney:

PSCC C/Cllrs Martin Dorans, Lynn Bowman:

SAC. Cllr. Ian Cochrane, Schools Liaison Craig Ross:

1. Apologies, Minutes of last meeting, and matters arising:

1.1. The Chair of PNCC opened the meeting, welcomed all and advised PSCC would be joining the meeting as their own date had to be changed.

The Link Officer expressed concern that a meeting with both PNCC & PSCC was being held without going through the proper channels, and was advised that an e-mail had been issued to both PNCC and PSCC and to SAC Cllrs this was happening and there were no objections. The Link Officer stated a request for such a meeting should have been submitted to SAC Cllrs, first.

The Chair of PSCC then advised the format of the meeting, whereby PNCC would submit their reports, followed by PSCC, as these would be similar. SAC, Police, and Schools would only have to give reports once. The Link Officer sought clarification that two sets of minutes would be submitted to SAC, and was advised this could be done, albeit they would be the same.

1.2. Apologies as listed above were given for PNCC by their Secretary, and for PSCC by their Chair.

1.3. There were no declarations of interest from PNCC or PSCC with any agenda items, and no objections to the minutes being recorded.

1.4. PNCC minutes were checked for accuracy. One amendment -information given by the Link Officer at the last meeting regarding 20 signatures required for formation of new community councils had not been recorded.

The extraordinary meeting in October about having one community council was discussed and also whether the questionnaire at the Prestwick Prom Day was sufficient consultation as there had been no minutes issued. The Secretary apologised, explaining there had been

a problem with finding the minutes on the recording, but has now been resolved and the minutes will be issued to PNCC and PSCC in due course, and these will clarify any issues. There were no matters arising and PNCC minutes were then proposed by Shirley Harris and seconded by Derek Hart.

1.5. PSCC minutes were checked for accuracy and there being no amendments or matters arising, the PSCC minutes were proposed by Alison Quinn and seconded by Jim Riach.

2. Police Report:

2.1. Report had been circulated prior to meeting to both PNCC and PSCC.

Violence/Disorder/ASB: Relatively low – just over 10. One concern, report of male with machete, although witnesses could not confirm this. Report of assault on teenage boy near swimming pool, no serious injury.

Alcohol and Drugs: Nil.

People at Risk: Local officers engaged with normal but considerable number of these types of incidents over last month, there is no identified patterns of concern, and no hate crimes.

Road Safety: Several minor incidents, 1 involving motorcycle, no serious injuries. No further accidents around Heathfield Road.

Acquisitive Crimes: Under 10 reports, mostly shoplifting. 1 purse stolen in a shop.

1 attempted break-in in Newdykes Road and reports of persons lurking in streets around Semple Road. Patrols to be carried out. Minor damage to 2 vehicles.

2.2. Regarding fire at Kids Play raised at last meeting, this was reported to Fire and Rescue about 21.20hrs on 01/10/2019, and they attended and extinguished fire. Police were not informed and as such have no record of the incident. There is no CCTV in area or overlooking properties, and no-one called Police.

2.3. Skip in Adamton Road not lit up properly at night and hit by car as a result.

2.4. Member of public discussed a letter he had written to PNCC regarding the parking problems in Links Road, and an incident where a car had mounted the pavement as a result. Police agreed to contact Roads Alliance. The Chair of PNCC confirmed that he and a representative of PSCC will be meeting with Roads Alliance on 3/12/2019 where this would be discussed.

2.5. Chief Inspector Brian Anderson introduced himself and outlined his role within South Ayrshire. He has been trying to attend at many Community Councils as possible and to reassure that Police will be in attendance and will try and assist with complaints and queries,

3. Schools Report: No report.

4. Public Forum:

4.1. Problems with the LED lighting in the streets again raised, and also at Mossbank, where large areas have been in darkness for some time. SAC Cllr Toner confirmed there had been a fault which would be rectified by 12/12/2019. It was noted there had been nothing but problems since LED lighting introduced and this had been raised at previous meetings. Chair PNCC confirmed Kevin Braidwood of Roads Alliance had been on annual leave, and this would be discussed at meeting on 03/12/2019. When asked if members of public could attend this meeting, Chair PNCC agreed to ask Kevin Braidwood to arrange a meeting with specific members of public who have made complaints.

4.2. It was noted that several persons had fallen outside the 65 Club due to the condition of the pavements and it was agreed this would be brought to the attention of Roads Alliance.

4.3. Concern that lights in Prestwick Academy were on till the early hours.

SAC Cllr Hunter agreed to investigate.

5. South Ayrshire Council Reports/Link Officer Update:

These had been distributed prior to the meeting.

Cllr. Margaret Toner:

- **Will chase up LED concerns at Mossbank.**
- Prestwick Academy had won the recent School Speaking Competition run by Victim Support.

Cllr. Hugh Hunter:

- Considering an initiative to highlight Mental Health awareness, but at an early stage.
- Working with SADSA, the Carers Centre and others to encourage employers to sign up to the Carer Positive Employers Scheme.
- Lily Lingerie in Gardiner Street taking donations for the Christmas Toy Bank.
- Due to General Election, High Street award results postponed till January 2020.

Cllr. Ian Cochrane: Report submitted by email.

- Attended meeting of Prestwick Strategic Drainage Project Stakeholders Group. Engineers outlined designs for short, medium and long term mitigation measures. Planning application with SAC for review, and should have decision by end December.
- Received a petition from residents of 2 streets bordering Prestwick controlled parking zone who request inclusion in Resident Parking Scheme, due to complaints around holiday makers parking for extended periods, Petition forwarded to ARA for consideration at next parking review.
- Response from ARA on concerns over car accidents at 2 controlled junctions on Heath field Road was disappointing, and have arranged a meeting with officers to clarify expectations of the community.

Provost Helen Moonie:

- Asked Chair of PSCC about his query to SAC re cost of assets. Chair of PSCC advised information required on costs of various assets in response to queries raised by the public, and how money spent. Provost advised the costs for swimming pool had decreased from 2016 – 2019, for example expenditure down from £449K to £382K. Short discussion ensued with Provost advising on reports that could be obtained.

Warwick, Link Officer:

- Stage 2 of the community council consultation ends 8/02/2020. Can be accessed on line.
- Letter submitted to SAC Chief Executive from PNCC and PSCC regarding bringing the 2 community councils back to 1. Both Chairs confirmed they would go through procedure but wished further discussion on the matter.

6. Correspondence:

6.1. PNCC: Correspondence received regarding Friends of Broadway (FOB) and as this constituted a conflict of interest, C/Cllr Twaddell left the meeting while this matter was discussed.

A letter had been received from 65 Club advising they had been approached by FOB asking for their support in connection with proposed café facilities within the Broadway.

65 Club declined support, advising they already supplied such facilities. A lengthy discussion took place, noting that a meeting had been held between Community Centre Committee and Age Concern (65 Club), where concerns were raised about the above proposals and the adverse effect they could have on already established premises/facilities such as 65 Club and Community Centre.

The pros and cons on the Broadway plan by FOB were discussed, noting that the building still belonged to Buzzworks. Possible closure of Community Centre was mentioned if the problems with the roof were not addressed due to costs involved. It was noted that the community wanted to retain assets, not dispense with them, and these matters affected both PNCC and PSCC. This being the case, FOB should be approached/written to by PNCC and PSCC requesting that an impact assessment be carried out to clarify the effect on surrounding small businesses.

C/Cllr Twaddell returned to the meeting.

6.2. Letter received from SAC regarding Service Lead Economic Development attending January meetings. PSCC had already distributed this to their members.

6.3. PSCC confirmed any correspondence received had been disseminated.

8. Regular updates:

8.1. Airport: Bob Smith confirmed there was speculation about the future of the Airport and the purchase. The next committee meeting is 03/12/2019.

8.2. Licensing: Patricia Young advised as follows for **PNCC**.

- PNCC submitted an objection on the grounds of public nuisance The Buff's application to SAC to have NON AMPLIFIED music in their beer garden. We will be notified in due course of the outcome.
- The Buff's application for extended hours at Hogmanay has been granted.

8.3. Health: Margaret Milligan advised that NHS operate a Better Health Hub every Friday from 10.0am at the Biggart Hospital.

8.4. Julie Twaddell confirmed that Roads Alliance have installed a pedestrian crossing at Mancinis Café, which will enhance the plans for a dementia friendly promenade.

8.5. PSCC confirmed any planning applications had been issued to their members. C/Cllr Park stated that the proposed Domino's Pizza at the old Reds premises, not ideal site for parking. He also stated that Scottish Water Plans for purchase of Brandon Gardens property included temporary water tanks being installed

8.6. Treasurers report:

PSCC: £750.37 in funds.

PNCC: £232.00 in funds.

9. A.O.C.B:

9.1. Ayrshire Voices holding a concert at 7.30pm on 7th December 2019 in St. Nicholas Church.

There being no further business, PSCC Chair thanked everyone for attending and for their input and the meeting concluded at 21.00hrs,

10. Date of Next meeting: As SAC Service Lead Economic Development hoped to attend the next meetings it was suggested for efficiency to combine PNCC and PSCC meetings and hold it on:

Tuesday 28/01/2020 at 19.00hrs, in 65 Club, Main Street, Prestwick.

