



Minutes of Meeting Kyle Academy, 25TH February 2025,7pm

FHMCC : John McGuire, W. White, Anne Miller, Samantha Laidlaw, Douglas Smith, Alison Russell, Mary Elliot, Lee Stewart, Bill Fleming

SAC : Cllr Chris Cullen

Guests : Justin Malone, Douglas Paton, Richard North, David Mattear

Police : Apologies.
Scotland

Apologies: Lynne Stewart, Elsie McDougal, Cllr Mary Kilpatrick, Cllr Brian McGinley

Matters

Arising: None

Declarations

Of Interest : None

September : Proposed by W. White. Seconded by S. Laidlaw
Minutes

Secretary's : In Agenda
Report

Treasurer's : Read out to the room. Total banked including raised funds and the Sac grant stand
Report at £2792.69

SAC Councillor's Report - Cllr Cullen. Quotes have been obtained for the proposed lighting along the center path at Glencairn Park. The proposed Forehill Library extension is under assessment. Notice Boards for the area have been removed from the list – FHMCC currently have two notice boards for the area. Council Tax charges for 2025 have not yet been confirmed.

2024 Initiatives – on hold pending the outcome of the Place Planning funding.

ROUND TABLE

Place Plan – following a discussion that at least some of this funding is now being considered for general repairs/area upkeep, it was agreed to invite all area South Ayrshire Councillors and the Place Plan Team Leader Audrey Gatt to our April meeting with an additional request that Audrey bring a slide presentation to allow us a full picture of the changes to the spend.

Ayr Esplanade Barriers –Deferred to a future meeting when Cllr McGinley will provide an update.



(FHMCC Feb 25 Mins cont.)

Proposed new builds near Dobbies – Following representation to the area MSP, we were advised that the decision on these builds lies with South Ayrshire Council. FHMCC Vice Chair will take this forward to surrounding Community Councils and to those South Ayrshire Councillors who voted in favour of the proposals.

Area Risk Assessment Plan – The proposal is to create a list of emergency contacts to post on our notice boards, website and social media pages.

Dog Fouling – it was noted that dog fouling is on the increase throughout the area and there are not enough waste bins. Cllr Cullen offered to supply 'no dog fouling' labels for lamp posts. B. Fleming will liaise with Cllr Cullen to identify hot spots and will contact Environmental Health to express concerns. FHM CCs are asked to advise on hot spot areas where they live. Members of the Public should be encouraged to contact South Ayrshire Council direct to report dog fouling in their area and information and contact details will be re-posted on our social media sites.

Pot Holes – B. Fleming will report road condition concerns to ARA – this is for Forehill Road and St Phillans Avenue. Local residents should be encouraged to contact ARA direct to report pot holes

Rubbish Burning – There have been reports of rubbish burning in the area. B. Fleming will take this forward with Residents to determine where and how often this is happening.

Keep Scotland Beautiful – it was agreed to arrange an area litter pick in the Spring.

Propose new Pharmacy in Alloway Place – FHMCC feels that there are adequate pharmacies serving Ayr Town Center and surrounding areas and that the location is not convenient for members of the public to visit. The decision was taken not to support this proposal and we will submit our reasons to the relevant group of local Community Councils before the deadline of 14th March.

VE Day Celebrations – Donation suggestions were discussed (eg Saffa/Erskine House). These will be confirmed at the March meeting.



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Donation to local Resident – We are happy to donate to Mason Graham who is taking his snooker talents to the amateur European Championships this year.

MSP Siobhian Brown – Msp Brown contacted us to advise that she is unable to attend our meetings due to commitments in Edinburgh however has suggest meeting with us on a Monday or Friday when she is in Ayr. It was suggested that we move the May meeting date to accommodate this and to also invite along a representative from Ayrshire Roads Alliance to discuss local traffic concerns. Before arranging this meeting, FHM Community Councillors were asked to email suggested agenda items to the Secretary by the next meeting date (25th March).

AOB

It was noted that the underpass at the fire station has been closed for months.

Parking on pavements will become an offence from April 2025 – no exceptions.

There have been reports of sightings of rats in Morrisons car park. Environmental Health to be notified.

NEXT MEETING – 25TH March 2025 – 7pm – Kyle Academy