



## MINUTES OF MEETING – WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

**7:00PM @ REDBURN COMMUNITY HUB**

**Present:** *Chris Pless (Chair), Elaine Walker (NAC) , Bill Anderson, Rodger Walker) Stewart McConnell (Press Representative) Marion C., Jean Walker, Liz , Davie P., Online Attendance - David Dunlop, Will T (Police Scotland)*

**Apologies:** Donna, Richard

<b>Item</b>	<b>Topic and Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>By Who</b>
<b>1</b>	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Apologies</b></p> <p>Minutes approved by DP, seconded by JW</p>		
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Police Reports</b></p> <p>1063 incidents reported            408 recorded crimes            275 detected            95 undetected and under investigation</p> <p>Proactive work continues, some not publicised such as extra police presence to detect drugs and anti social behaviour.</p> <p>Will encouraged again use of the reporting issues and felt that there were more as can now do it anonymously and people have more confidence that something will be done. The police rely on the information a lot of the time.</p>		

	<p>JW asked if the CCTV down at the Harbour is live, will confirmed it is, it is also now a 20mph are.</p> <p>Question by DD – if Irvine Police Office is open 24/7. Will confirmed that the station is open 7am – midnight although sometimes not as late due to staff shortages and lack of resources – if not call 111 or go to Saltcoats or Kilmarnock.</p> <p>DP asked how the 20mph areas will be monitored. Will stated that it would be the same as other zones.</p> <p>BA asked if trading</p>		
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Community Development Worker</b></p> <p>EW updated group that all groups were ongoing and had asked to do a consultation with CC but as time is tight she asked attendees to join online via council website which CP will send out and take part. She also gave dates of the last 2 community conversation café dates in case anyone wanted to attend</p>	Send out QR code / link to all attendees	CP
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Treasurers Report</b></p> <p>Main Account has £87561 and Project Account has £9955.52 although £4500 has still to be paid for the Xmas lights to NAC)</p> <p>£8520 was spent from the money given through The Town Board for the power washing of Rivergate area and Trinity steps outside the Mall.</p> <p>Everything else has been paid and is up to date.</p>		

<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>CP gave an overview of what is now being called 'Our Irvine' – previously known as Irvine Town then Neighbourhood Board and what it does for the benefit of the new people in attendance. The money given to the CC and Events sub Committee to host Xmas events had been very successful.</p>		
<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p><b>Planning Applications</b>  2 planning applications were received –  One for the removal of a section 75 from an expired planning permission for Ardeer Peninsula. No objections.</p> <p>Second one was for the erection of a drive through coffee shop next to Burger King. CP brought up the plans and some members were concerned that this junction and slip road was busy enough. A vote was taken to see who objected – DP proposed the objection and JW seconded it.</p> <p>An invitation was sent for members to attend a Climate Change event on 7/2 in Symington Village Hall at 1.30pm which will be hosted by Glas University, there will also be another one in Cumnock on 28/2 from 2 – 4 pm.</p> <p>CP had also received an invitation from Elaine Baxter for members to attend one of the Community Conversations</p> <p>There was an invite to a Scottish Wildlife Trust event in Eglington Park on 4/3</p>	<p>An objection letter will be sent based on the potential increase in traffic in that already congested area.</p>	<p>CP</p>

	Last piece of correspondence was a workshop for anyone to attend who was interested in becoming a local councillor on 18/2 in Cunningham House.		
<b>7</b>	<b>Elected Members</b>  None present		
<b>8</b>	<b>Community Councillors</b>  Ann brought up the state of the Portal swimming changing rooms and showers and produced photos of broken, sharp tiles and dirty floors and walls. The disabled shower is also broken. She has reported it to Cllr Louise McLaughlan but hadn't had any reply. All members were happy for a letter to be sent to KA Leisure to report this.	Letter to be sent to KA Leisure complaining about the state of the swimming changing rooms and showers.	CP
<b>9</b>	<b>Co-opted Members</b>  Marion was co-opted on after coming along and expressing an interest but unfortunately due to boundary restrictions 2 other attendees who live in Girdle Toll were not eligible to join but are happy to join the Irvine Event group which is open to any Irvine resident. CP explained about the boundaries and different CCs which are available in different neighbourhoods if enough interested parties.		
<b>11</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>  Events Committee will be held before next meeting 6 – 7.30pm		
<b>12</b>	<b>Next meeting :</b> Date: Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 Time: 7.30pm Venue: Redburn Centre, Irvine		

