

## STEVENSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the open to the public meeting held on the 10/2/2025 in the Ardeer Neighbourhood Centre.

### ATTENDEES.

I Winton	SCC Chair
D Campbell	SCC Secretary
J Frew	SCC Member
G Pollock	SCC Member
R Wilson	SCC Member
A Kane	SCC Member
D McTiernan	Elected Member
J Sweeney	Elected Member
C.Inglis	Elected Member
K O'Neil	NAC

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

The Chair welcomed all attending.

### APOLOGIES

An apology had been received from D Young.

### MINUTES AND MATTERS OUTSTANDING

Acceptance of the minutes of the last meeting was proposed by J Frew and seconded by R Wilson. There were no matters outstanding.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT.

It was reported that SCC had written to all our MSP's re the Berry Wind Farm appeal which is currently being "in process" at the Scottish Parliament. A copy of the letter has been circulated to all members.

SCC has objected to a planning application to NAC for a change of use for the Glencairn pub to be a dwelling house. A copy of the letter has been circulated to all members.

SCC has noticed that the Travellers continue to wreak havoc in the town. See point 7 on the Agenda.

SCC would thank all departments of NAC who helped in clearing up the many fallen trees after the recent high winds. This was done very very quickly. Again, our thanks.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The No2 and No3 accounts have been closed and both balances transferred to the No1 account. The balance of the No1 account is £15308.89.

SCC has received £10000 from the Awards for All for our next project.

### POLICE REPORT

NB. No police were present at this meeting.

This report covers the period 1/1/2025 to 31/1/2025.

During January 2025, there were 286 reported incidents, compared with 276 the previous year. Of these 286, 92 were identified as crimes, compared with 69 the previous year. At present 52% have been detected and a further 32% are still being investigated

Assault and Violent Crime. 3 reported. 2 detected.

Drug Use and Dealing. 2 reported. 2 detected. (one for Drug Driving).

A.S.B. Breach of the Peace. 11 reported. 3 detected.

Vandalism. 5 reported. 1 detected.

Protection of Workers Act.

Comms Act. 1 reported. 1 detected.

Shoplifting. 3 reported. 1 detected.

Incidents for Stevenston.

Total number of incidents 286. Previous year 276.

Public Nuisance 14. Previous year 12.

Disturbances 11. Previous year 11.

Noise Complaints 3. Previous year 9.

North Ayrshire Police continue to patrol across the County, with any incidents within Stevenston being closely looked at. 2 Officers within the 3 Towns LPT are dedicated to the welfare of the local community

We would continue to ask the community to contact the Police to report any crime or ongoing issues

NB. SCC has published details on how to contact the Police in previous minutes.

TRAVELLERS.

This is an ongoing problem, with no foreseeable solutions.

The following points were noted;

NAC Cosla members will take the concerns of Stevenston to a full meeting of Cosla.

Elected Members will ask NAC Legal to advise if all travelling communities are covered by the legislation in place.

SCC is aware of the constant drain on NAC finances posed by the irresponsible behaviour of the travellers and the ongoing costs of "cleaning up" after they have moved on.

The cycle of events is "travellers arrive (at night), travellers trash the area that they camp on, travellers leave, NAC cleans up".

There must be a way to hold the travellers to account and make them liable for the clean up costs.

BEACH DANGER SIGNS

These signs are still not in place.

Elected Member C. Inglis will look into this matter.

BRIDGE VIEWING PLATFORM

Another two pathways for beach access have been identified, 50 yds nearer the car park at the beach. L Forsyth and T Reaney will arrange a site meeting and SCC will attend this meeting.

#### FORMATION OF TRUSTEES FOR SORBIE WINDFARM COMMUNITY BENEFIT MONIES

D Campbell, R Wilson, A Kane and G Pollock, all SCC members, will be Trustees.

R Glover, a member of the public will also serve as a Trustee.

The Trustees will have their first meeting in March 2025, Date T.B.A.

#### MATTERS OF CONCERN

No reports were available on the "bins at Glebe St" and the "Rankins" situations.

#### A.O.C.B.

The following points were noted;

The footpath opposite Auchenhavie Academy will be flailed.

The question was asked if the fence at the footpath could be removed.

Flailing of areas in the dunes at the beach will take place.

SCC will carry out a survey on the provision of Medical Services in the town.

A response from NAC Roads on the parking situation in Glencairn St had been circulated to all members.

SCC would thank the following for their help in the community;

Linda Burns and Stephen Kelly for their litter picking efforts,

Ali Kane and Ronnie Wilson (both SCC members) for repairing panels on the High Kirk clock tower, Jimmy Tudhope of NAC Streetscene for cleaning up the glass strewn car park (at very short notice) at Hayocks Community Centre and Ian Cassiday, who, in March 2025, will have been cleaning the beach (on a daily basis) for TEN YEARS.

#### DATE OF NEXT MEETING

March 10th 2025. Ardeer Neighbourhood Centre. 7.00pm.