

## Minutes of Meeting Kyle Academy, 27<sup>TH</sup> May 2025, 7pm

**FHMCC:** John McGuire, W. White, Anne Miller, Douglas Smith, Alison Russell,

Elsie McDougal, Lee Stewart

**SAC:** Cllr B. McGinley, Cllr. C. Cullen

**ARA**: Jane Corrie, Head of Ayrshire Roads

Guest: Justin Malone, Douglas Paton, Brian J. Heddle

**Police:** Apologies.

**Apologies:** Samantha Laidlaw, Mary Elliot, Lynne Stewart, Bill Fleming, Cllr Mary Kilpatrick,

Matters

Arising: None

**Declarations** 

Of Interest: None

**March:** Proposed by Lee Smtih. Seconded by A. Fyfe.

**Minutes** 

Secretary's: In Agenda

Report

**Treasurer**: The report was read out to the room. The Lotto Fund Grant of £2700 has been

awarded. Total current funds are £3587.49

**SAC Councillor's Report** - Comments were shared regarding a Young Persons mentoring project. The changes within South Ayrshire Council Structure were discussed. It was noted that there should be further updates going forward regarding the ongoing changes. FHMCC Chair thanked SAC Cllr McGinley and SAC Cllr Cullen for their ongoing support.

## AYRSHIRE ROAD ALLIANCE - Jane Corrie, Head of Roads

Summary of Discussion :-

- Overmills/Kilnbank Traffic Concerns It was agreed that the date set for inspection of traffic congestion was not ideal as there was less traffic than usual due to the school curriculum. Jane will feedback the outcome of the site meeting at our September meeting. Road markings were discussed and local Resident D. Paton commented that it would take approximately 18 months to carry out this work. It was noted that in addition, every house in the area would have to be canvassed and there would have to be unanimous agreement to proposed road markings. Other suggestions included the creation of an exit road leading out of the area, installation of traffic lights towards the existing area exit, and splitting the existing exit road into three lanes (one in and two out), to allow an improved traffic flow.
- **Potholes** Concerns have been raised by local Residents regarding road potholes in the area. Ine particular comments have been received regarding St. Phillans Avenue/Forehill Road. It was not clear if these areas were in the annual Roads plan for repairs.
- **New builds** FHMCC have raised concerns with several public bodies regarding many aspects of the proposed new builds near Dobbies, Ayr. ARA confirmed that they have objected to the development pending a Traffic Impact Statement. Concerns were also raised regarding the safety of pedestrians wishing to cross the A77 in either direction. FHMCC approached Traffic Scotland who confirmed that there must be a method in place for the public to cross this road safely as a condition of going ahead with the development. As of this meeting date we are unaware that the developers have any plans in place to ensure this will happen. FHMCC also looked into appealing the proposed build due to the



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- above traffic concerns and also other development infrastructure concerns however we have been advised by the Scottish Government that the expected cost of our appeal would be £47.025.
- Glencairn Park Traffic Calming Jane has asked FHMCC to identify the relevant areas of
  concern and the approx. times when traffic is heavier. She will arrange for a survey to be
  carried out. There may be funding from the Scottish Government to fund 20MPH speed
  limits on offshoot road. Jane will advise further at our September meeting.
- HGV TRAFFIC IN TOWN CENTER/CASTLEHILL ROAD/HOLMSTON ROAD It was noted that 2/3 hauliers currently use Castlehill & Holmston Roads. Jane advised that there are very few roads which have a weight limit.
- Ayr Town Center speed limit there are no plans to lower the speed limit to 20 MPH.
- The Chair thanked Jane for her contribution to the meeting.

## **ROUND TABLE**

**Place Plan –** FHMCC and BKCC have responded to those local Residents who requested Place Plan updates via Email. Copies of our response have also been posted on Social Media Sites and notice boards.

**Keep Scotland Beautiful –** it was agreed to hold a local litter pick on the 13<sup>th</sup> July 2025. Areas to be litter picked include the Overmills area and Hillfoot shopping arcade. Further notifications will be posted nearer the time on Social Media and the notice boards.

**Donations to local Schools –** i was agreed to donate £50 to Forehill, Holmston & St Johns Primary Schools and South Craig. The Treasurer will take this forward.

**VE Day Celebrations** – It was agreed to donate £50 each to Erskine House, SAAFA, Yeomanry House and Fusilier House (if the latter two have a Vets group?). The Treasurer will take this forward.

**Local Schools Show Nights –** It was suggested that FHMCC buy adverts in the programs. The Secretary will find out more.

## **AOB**

Cllr McGinley thanked FHMCC for their message of sympathy following a family bereavement

Local Resident Justine Malone has offered a donation of tulip bulbs to be planted in the area. It was agreed to plant them around the main gates at Castlehill Woods. Justin has very kindly offered to plant the bulbs.

The Chair, on behalf of FHMCC, extended best wishes to Cllr Cullen and his Fiancé on their forthcoming wedding

**NEXT MEETING** – 24th June 7pm, Kyle Academy