



**PRESTWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
APPROVED MINUTES MEETING TUESDAY 1st July 2025
19.15hrs 65 CLUB, PRESTWICK**

The meeting commenced at 19.18hrs.

SEDERUNT:

COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS PRESTWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL (PCC):

Ronnie Caldow (Specialist Co-optee):

Meic Evans (Vice-Chair):

Margaret Milligan (Secretary):

Kate Mullen (Treasurer):

John Park:

Thompson Piper:

Jim Riach:

Alison Smith:

Norrie Smith (Chair):

June Whittaker:

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (SAC):

Cllr.

Hugh Hunter:

EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS:

Maurice Rollo, Chair Prestwick Community Association:

Tracy Winner-Scott, Partnership Engagement Officer, Health & Social Care Partnership:

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC:

J Morrison:

APOLOGIES:

PCC: C/Cllrs Shirey Harris: Robert Muldoon: Mike Tomlinson

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (SAC):

Cllrs. Martin Kilbride: Cameron Ramsay: Ian Cochrane:

Jill Tomlinson (Liaison Officer): Craig Ross (Dep. Head P/W Academy):

POLICE SCOTLAND:

1. Welcome:

The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming all.

2. Sederunt/Received Apologies/Declaration of interests:

Sederunt and apologies as noted above; there were no declarations of interests.

3. Police Report:

Previously circulated, no questions arising.

4. Hearing/Open Forum:

Ronnie Caldw was introduced and welcomed as Specialist Co-optee to Prestwick Community Council, proposed by Chair Norrie Smith and seconded by Secretary Margaret Milligan. Ronnie brings a wealth of experience to PCC, having been extensively involved in co-ordinating the following events - Prestwick Prom, the Putting Geen, Prestwick Lighting Up and the Air Show, and will be able to assist PCC with any future projects. The Vice-Chair advised £26,500 had been received for the purchase of a community marquee which will be used at the forthcoming Prestwick Prom day, and can be used at events in Boydfield Gardens. The Vice-Chair to liaise with Ronnie regarding a presentation of Scottish Wildlife Trust's Riverwood Film, in the Hall of the Community Café.

5. Schools Report - Prestwick Academy: No report available.

6. Minutes meeting 27th May 2025:

C/Cllr June Whittaker requested that Kate Mullen's name be added to the sentence regarding election of new Treasurer in Treasurer's report. The minutes were then agreed as an accurate record, proposed by C/Cllr Meic Evans and seconded by C/Cllr Kate Mullen.

7. Matters arising from the approved minutes:

Best Dressed Window Display: PCC members agreed on a Wimbledon/Tennis theme, and the Secretary to design and print leaflets. C/Cllrs June Whittaker and Kate Mullen agreed to assist the Secretary in distributing the leaflets to the shops. Judging to take place on afternoon of 25th July, with presentation of trophy on morning of 26th July.

Short term lets: The Vice Chair confirmed he had written to Planning regarding this and had received a response stating that in general this was not considered an issue within South Ayrshire as a whole. Figures obtained showed over the past two years 100 were given consent in Prestwick, with a significantly higher number in Troon. This could be revisited when consulting on the LDP3.

Community Centre; Response received advising Kevon Braidwood now the contact. Nothing further at the moment, and Morris Rollo confirmed this was the case.

8. Community Development Trust:

The first meeting has been held, with John Bailey becoming Interim Chair and Norrie Smith Vice-Chair. Kate Mullen was away for the meeting, but had expressed an interest in becoming Treasurer. An interim Treasurer was in place for the meeting, however Norrie Smith to put Kate Mullen forward. Some members of the public attended and showed an interest in the proposed Lido project. Further meeting to be arranged.

9. South Ayrshire Councillors' reports:

Cllr. Hugh Hunter: Pavement parking ongoing.

Various community activities/day trips highlighted.

Felling of trees at Semple Road a major topic among residents, with some unhappy at decision. Briefing note issued by SAC which Cllr Hunter will circulate. Discussion on the trees followed, noting that some were diseased, and some should not have been planted as they were not the correct type. Cllr Hunter suggested perhaps it would be appropriate for PCC to revisit the trees at Prestwick Cross, some of which are now considered to be dangerous. Fiona Ross from SAC previously liaised with SAC stating she would come back with proposals, but nothing to date. The meeting was put on hold as members of PCC then went to inspect the trees. After the site visit, members agreed that a professional report was required.

10. Treasurer's report: Current balance is £1074.48p which includes the financial year-end reimbursement from SAC. The Secretary had emailed Jill Tomlinson asking her to check whether SAC could fund Prestwick Remembrance Sunday. Awaiting response as Jill currently on annual leave.

11. Planning Report:

The Vice-Chair went through and discussed the planning report in detail with PCC. It was noted that Ayrshire Roads Alliance intend to submit a Proposal of Application Notice (PAN), to SAC regarding the stopping-up of an existing road and construction of a private road and new public road at Shaw Road, Prestwick. It is proposed that a series of drop-in events are held at Room 10, Prestwick Community Centre as follows: 8th July from 10am to 12noon, 15th July from 12noon to 4pm, and 22nd July from 4pm to 6pm. The Secretary to include this in PGO submission.

Point 6 on Biodiversity read out and discussed.

Land at Powmill Road – application for 3 dwelling houses discussed at length, including any flood risks.

12. Licensing Report: There were no objections to Midton Road Bowling Cub's request for a variation to off-sales licence.

13. Prestwick Airport Consultative Committee (PACC):

C/Clr Riach confirmed the committee had still not met as the June meeting was cancelled. Due to the holiday period next date will probably be September. 8,000 tonnes of salmon cargo have been shipped. Chinese cargo flights are now daily. USA President Donald Trump visiting Scotland at the end of July, with Airforce One and the Trump private plane to land at Prestwick. Security will be strengthened around and in the Airport as a result. Ryanair and TUI hope to introduce new flights this year. In June there had been a shortage of fuel at the airport.

14. Town Twinning Report: The visit to Arrica was a great success and photographs can be found on the Town Twinning Facebook page.

15. Correspondence/Concerns: The Secretary replied to the invitation from Prestwick Golf Cub to meet with them on 9th July, confirming that Mike Tomlinson, Norrie Smith, and herself would be in attendance. Feedback to be given at the PCC August meeting.

16: A.O.C.B: Tracy Winner-Scott outlined the process for small grants. Closing date for applications is Friday 22nd August. Contact Tracy for any additional queries/information.

17. Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 26th August 2025, at 7.15pm in the Community Café (formerly 65 Club), Main Street, Prestwick.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 20.55hrs.