



**PRESTWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
APPROVED MINUTES MEETING TUESDAY 27th May 2025
19.15hrs 65 CLUB, PRESTWICK**

The meeting commenced at 19.22hrs.

SEDERUNT:

COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS PRESTWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL (PCC):

Meic Evans (Vice-Chair):

Shirley Harris:

Margaret Milligan (Secretary):

Robert Muldoon:

Kate Mullen (Treasurer):

Alison Smith:

Norrie Smith (Chair):

Thompson Piper:

Mike Tomlinson:

June Whittaker:

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (SAC):

Cllrs.

Elaine

Ian Cochrane: Hugh Hunter: Cameron Ramsay:

Schendel (SAC):

EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS:

Maurice Rollo, Chair Prestwick Community Association:

APOLOGIES:

PCC: C/Cllrs John Park: Thompson Piper:

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (SAC):

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

POLICE SCOTLAND:

EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS: Laura Cowan, Prestwick Sailing Club:

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:

Already circulated. The report showed a quieter month for May. The Secretary confirmed the Police had responded to the question about e-scooters stating that these should not be used on public roads or pavements, and to report any incidents to Police.

4. Hearing/Open Forum:

Elaine Schendel, SAC, outlined proposals for the design and installation of a memorial for loved

ones near Prestwick promenade, and also benches, preferred site being beside the car park at the bottom of Grangemuir Road. The structure would incorporate and hold memorial leaves dedicated to loved ones at cost of £250.00 each, A discussion followed which included the type of material to be used, and exact location. It was agreed although the idea was a good one, and that PCC accepted in principle, further information would be required, taking into account concerns raised regarding location at high tide. Elaine to submit a report to PCC in due course as the process is still ongoing.

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

6. Minutes meeting 25th February 2025:

There being no amendments, the minutes were agreed as an accurate record, proposed by C/Cllr Mike Tomlinson and seconded by C/Cllr Shirley Harris.

7. Matters arising from the approved minutes:

Gift for Jim Ronney: It was agreed the gift would be a joint one to Patricia and Jim, and PCC members to donate to this individually, with a Quaich the preferred choice of gift together with a bouquet of flowers; the Chair to finalise the purchase.

Prestwick Community Centre: The Vice-Chair had issued a letter to Mike Newall as agreed at the April meeting; it was confirmed there had been no further development to date other than acknowledging the letter had been passed to Kevin Braidwood, Director of Housing Operations and Development.

8. South Ayrshire Councillors' reports:

Cllr. Ian Cochrane: Been dealing with various neighbourhood disputes.

Cllr. Hugh Hunter: Pavement parking regulations not been well received by residents, Increase in short-term lets in Prestwick, leading to concerns this may lead to anti-social behaviour. Concerns regarding the numbers approved was raised, and conversation followed regarding housing shortage, and planning permission for short-term lets. Improvements to kids playpark next to new one to be carried out, including access for wheelchair's and buggies. However, this will not happen till next year as budgets for this year already set. Coastal communities funding to be looked at by cabinet.

Cllr. Cameron Ramsay: Email reports regarding pavement parking had been issued to PCC. Received numerous complaints on new pavement strategy.

9. Treasurer's report:

The audited report has now been finalised to send to SAC. The current balance is £432.07. The Secretary confirmed that as a new Treasurer, Catherine (Kate) Mullen, was elected at the AGM, agreement for cheque signatories was required. As C/Cllr Alison Smith and Vice-Chair Meic Evans were already signatories and were happy to remain as such, C/Cllr Kate Mullen was appointed new signatory replacing C/Cllr June Whittaker, with all members present confirming their agreement to this.

10. Planning Report:

The Vice-Chair went through the planning report, referring to the consent for erection of 6 dwelling flats at Grangemuir Road, explaining the site has now been incorporated into LDP3 as a housing site, and outlining that as a result of National Planning Framework 4, there is much more government emphasis on deliverability, and sites must now be delivered within specific timescales. Conversation took place regarding whether PCC would re-object within the extended timescale. Vice-Chair then discussed the planning permission given to Troon Watersports Committee for a new public convenience at North Shore Road, Troon. Given

the lack of public conveniences within Prestwick remains an issue, it was agreed he would contact the Watersports Committee to find out how they achieved this, Communication regarding call for evidence NPC Policy Number 27- city, town, commercial and local centres had been circulated by the Vice-Chair for any comments/suggestions to be made. It was agreed the Vice-Chair would put together a package to respond to this.

11. Licensing Report:

The Secretary confirmed there had been an application by the Buff to reduce the off-sale licensing hours at weekends.

12. Prestwick Airport Consultative Committee (PACC):

C/Cllr Riach confirmed the next meeting of PACC will be first week in June. Major development in cargo business - the Chinese cargo airbus is currently flying into Prestwick four times a week, but is hoping to increase this to daily from middle June, for both import and export, helping create jobs both in the airport and road haulage sector.

13. Correspondence/Concerns:

Covered under Item 7, Prestwick Community Centre.

14. A.O.C.B:

Co-option process: All agreed the Secretary could carry out co-option process.

Self-Assessment – PCC: It was confirmed the Secretary could complete and return the 2025 self-assessment to SAC.

Remembrance Sunday Funding: C/Cllr June Whittaker raised the subject of PCC funding the Remembrance Service confirming that she felt this should not be PCC's responsibility. The Secretary agreed to contact the Liaison Officer for advice.

C/Cllr Shirley Harris asked if PCC intended to lay wreaths this year; it was confirmed they would and C/Cllr Harris to order the wreaths as normal.

Best Dressed Window Display: It was confirmed that the competition would go ahead, with the Secretary agreeing to organise it. Members present agreed PCC would continue to run the competition, and would not liaise with any other organisation in doing so, Theme to be decided the next meeting.

15. Date of next meeting:

This will be one week later than normal, and will be held on:

Tuesday 1st July 2025, at 7.15pm in the 65 Club, Main Street, Prestwick.

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