



Campsie Community Council

APPROVED MINUTE

Monday 01 September 2025

Present: Stuart Carr (Chair), Sue Mitchell (Treasurer), Sandi Bertagna (Secretary), Evelyn Cairney (Funding), Fiona Muir, Anne-Marie Timmone (EDC Community Development), Paul Ferretti, I Middlemiss, A Middlemiss plus residents from Lennoxton

Apologies: Denise Lenaghan (Vice Chair), Lorraine MacDonald, Cllr Colette McDiarmid

1. Welcome and Apologies: Chairperson (SC) welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Draft Minute of 02 June: Approved: proposed by EC and seconded by FM.

3. Chair report:

- Update: CCC has requested an Asset Transfer
- Scottish Government – ancient woodland
- No “middle ground” achieved
- Not to block but Community has control
- Pre-planning – McTaggart & Mikel originally requested planning for 250 homes
- Natural resource of peat is part of the land which will have implications on the number of houses
- Meeting with McTaggart & Mikel plus consultancy group
- Community benefit
- Affordable housing should be 25% of the consultation
- Tied into meeting between NHS and CCC – formalised
- CCC (SC) had good discussions with McTaggart & Mikel
- “Growing Place” – Kinkell Farm – local benefits
- Whitefield Dam – nature reserve
- Encourage tourism in Lennoxton
- CCC (SC) had meeting with EDC representative re: Local Place plan.
- Maps of Lennoxton will be brought to the next CCC meeting
- Consultation process should include the young people of the village
- Build a list of new ideas for Lennoxton
- Chairperson of Friends of the High Kirk to link in with SC re: Place Plan
- Regular meetings
- Shared outcomes – work in harmony with other groups within the village
- Regular meetings with other groups should be encouraged
- Other groups within Lennoxton to identify representative to attend CCC meetings
- EC (CCC) informed the meeting that SC has conducted a momentous amount of work in the research linked to the garlic wood
- Laser light show scheduled for garlic wood ... organiser presenting a talk on the history of the garlic wood and to raise awareness. Also looking for funding from CCC
- Could be part of a bigger issue – Christmas Walks through the garlic wood
- Huge biodiversity area
- We need to “improve” – perception not reality
- Cannot replace ancient woodland – “silt dip”
- EDC application not SEPA application

Lennox Castle

- KLTS – owned properties but discharged several years ago
- Legality of “no man’s land”
- Court “ownership”
- Westminster – from Crown to KLTR
- Bank of England left properties in ruin
- Relinquished responsibility
- Lennoxtown could set-up group and maintain ground etc
- However, Bank of Ireland could come back to claim land again!
- Various arears around the Castle can be used
- Forestry Commission keen to get involved
- There may be “small pockets” of money
- SC (CCC) will speak to Chairperson of Friends of the High Kirk to “delve deeper into legal situation”

Subgroups

- Unelected members of sub-groups to become part of CCC: proposed by SC (CCC) and seconded by EC (CCC)
- studies: grants, lottery funding etc for the above

ACTION: CCC to contact Scottish Power regarding meeting.

4. Treasurer Report:

- CCC accounts now audited by Baxter Accounting and submitted to EDC
- Monies downloaded to CCC account for 25/26
- F Muir (CCC) to become joint Treasurer: proposed by EC and seconded by SC.
- E Cairney (CCC) to become joint Secretary: proposed by SC and seconded by FM
- Signatories for bank account: S Mitchell, S Carr, E Cairney and F Muir
- Website fee has increased to £250 - “GoDaddy” provider will be reviewed before next fee and new supplier considered. SB and EC shall update website
- Unrestricted funds: £1000
- Payment for Microsoft agreed.

5. Funding Update:

- EC (CCC) working alongside AMT (EDC) and completing various applications for funding
- Secured grant and paid for Senior Citizens Christmas lunch – 07 Dec 2025
- Also funding for future Christmas events for the village
- AMT to update CCC when community grants become available (Feb/Mar '26)
- National Lottery funding
- The above is the community of Lennoxtown

6. AM Timmoney Report:

- Equality Outcome 25-29 consultation “live” 05 September
- Toddlers group now started in St Machans Church (05 Sept) and will run every Friday morning.
- EC has offered to “drop off” toys for the group

7. Police Report: No report submitted

8. Co-opted members recruitment drive (SC):

- Plan a recruitment drive advertising for new members (Facebook and flyers)

9. Continuation of Community Groups (SC): under Chairperson’s report

10. AOB

Cemetery:

- resident concerned after receiving correspondence and “inspection” on unstable headstone by installed by EDC.
- Gravestone only a year old and resident asked to pay to get this repaired, however, installed by EDC
- Ongoing consultation (across EDC) of all headstones, their current stability, safety and the way forward for repairs.
- Street light bulb at High Park Cemetery needs to be replaced
- “Title deeds” are passed to family members and becomes their property to maintain NOT the Authority

Action: Cllr Ferretti will support the concerned resident and link in with EC (CCC)

Lennoxton/Torrance Road Safety (LMcD):

- conditions even more treacherous when road wet
- SC shall contact PC Wilson to “freedom of information” from EDC roads department to ascertain total number of incidents on the B822 road.
- EDC has a policy to maintain “roads and infrastructure”
- SC (CCC) to email EDC for a further update after head on collision car incident on 30 August ‘25
- Cllr P Ferretti emails EDC roads department continually to try and them to rectify this matter and it totally frustrated that nothing seems to get done!
- “Risk reduction” and “hot spots” identified by EDC roads
- Part of Place plan
- MSP will be asked to get “statistics” via freedom of information

Other:

- Guardians of the Glazert representatives wished it noted that they used a considerable amount of their own finance and did not approach or request funding from CCC.

11. DoNM: AGM and Meeting on Monday 06 October 2025 @ Glazert Country House Hotel, starting at 19:00.