

# DRAFT MINUTES

## Lochmaben Community Council

3/3/25 | 7.15pm Lochmaben Town Hall

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### Present

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Kenelma McCrae – Chair – KMcC	May McKerrel of Hillhouse – Vice Chair – MMCoHH
Carys Mainprize – Secretary – CM	Bob Murray – Treasurer – BM
Jenni Robertson – Minute Secretary – JR	Jim Davidson – JD
Jennie Wilkes - JW	Reporter – Annandale Herald
Cllr Carolyne Wilson – CW Cllr Stephen Thompson – ST	MoP x5

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### Welcome and Apologies

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- Apologies from Scott McMeeken

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### Approval of minutes

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- Proposed JD
- Seconded JW

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### Matters from Members of Public

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- Missing slat on bench at Mill Loch Corner – CM to report
- Owners of 6 High Street attended meeting to share their intention to turn property into family home and maintain its features; wanted to reassure community as there has been concern in the past about the future of the listed building
- Lack of timetables in bus shelters – ST & CM to raise. Timetables are available in shop windows nearby in the interim.
- Reports of continuing amount of dog excrement at St Margarets and Vendace. Suggestions to install or move bins at Vendace to problem area, ST to follow up. LCC can contact community safety team if we know there are repeat offenders at certain times – we ask members of the public to let us know.
- Some Senior Citizen Christmas Vouchers addressed to only one member of the household causing confusion and offence. We ask any residents to contact [chair@lochmaben.org.uk](mailto:chair@lochmaben.org.uk) to update their details with us if this is the case with them. LCC September's meeting will have the Vouchers as an agenda item for MoP to feedback during. We will also ask for feedback on the scheme during the annual Coffee Morning.

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### Matters Arising

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- CM still to talk to Tesco about staff litter picking.

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## Police Report

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## Treasurer's Report

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See Attached

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## Councillor's Update

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Cllr ST reports:

- Clearing of drains at Townhead on to do list
- Placing of disabled parking bay in Bruce st to be looked at re: traffic congestion
- Reports on Caravan Park at Kirk Loch income to be shared at future common good meetings
- Highly Commended award for care of war memorials

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## CC Members Updates

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- Coffee Morning 26<sup>th</sup> April – JW to think up questions for our suggestion box

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## AOB

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- KMck reported that hedge needs trimming opposite Tesco – CM to raise
- Agreed to donate £400 to the Lockerbie Academy's Celebration of Achievement event
- 2 streetlights are still out near the town hall that had been reported by a MoP some time ago but still not repaired; ST to raise
- MMckoHH reported that the Lochmaben Coat of Arms rematriculation is now to be paid for all CC members agreed to fund.
- JW suggested that members could look at better ways to communicate with Lochmaben residents apart from Social media.
- Lochmaben Community Gardens are holding a Family Fun Day at the Church hall on Sat 29<sup>th</sup> March 10.30 – 2.30pm all welcome & free
- Lochmaben Wombles has been set up after a MoP saw that litter had been raised at our last meeting. Aims to do 'big picks' the second Saturday morning of each month. See facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1829003031208907/>
- Harestanes West Windfarm responses to planning application before Mar 10th. See [https://www.scottishpowerrenewables.com/pages/harestanes\\_west\\_windfarm.aspx](https://www.scottishpowerrenewables.com/pages/harestanes_west_windfarm.aspx)
- Jane Purdie has stepped down from the community council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7/4/25 7.15pm at Lochmaben Town Hall/Library

Members of the public are welcome to attend our meetings to discuss/raise issues or just for their own interest and are welcome to stay for part or all of the meeting. Alternatively, issues can be raised by emailing [secretary@lochmaben.org.uk](mailto:secretary@lochmaben.org.uk)

**LOCHMABEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Finance Movements 3/2/25 - 3/3/25**

Balance brought forward 11,727.49

Income

Lochmaben Football Club donation to the  
Senior Citizens Christmas Voucher Scheme 200  
11,927.49

Expenditure

Christmas voucher scheme costs 3,040.00  
Community Gardens costs 54.59  
Transfer of Funds to Community Gardens 4,775.76  
Cycle Stand 199.14  
Books for School 215.48  
8,284.97

Balance carried forward £3,642.52

Website Sponsors are :

RJW Electrics, Crown Hotel, Rostrum Sportswear, Braw Beauty, A.Crolla & Sons,  
The Salon on the Corner, Barony foods, Loc of Hair, The Kings Arms and  
Halleaths Home Farm Holiday Home.