Lockerbie & District Community Council

18th Nov 2025 Community Council Meeting Minutes (FINAL)

1. **Welcome** - Chair welcomed all, confirmed quorum.
2. **Present –** LCC, Doreen Jenkins, Roger Claymore, Ian McLatchie, Hayley Nicholson, Ken Bailey, Robert Humes, Simon Poole
   Apologies – Avril Bailey, Megan Miller, Stephen Thompson Ward Councillor, Carolyne Wilson Ward councillor
3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting –** Approved by Robert Humes, seconded Ken Bailey (to add Ken as present at previous meeting)
4. **Public Forum -** Issues parking enforcement, policing, dropped kerbs
5. **Police Report** – **Area Crime Information and Notable Incidents**: Lockerbie and District:
   04/10/2025 – A male was stopped driving a vehicle, at which time system checks were Carried out, he was found to have no license or insurance. Vehicle seized and male Charged.
   07/10/2025 – A young male was charged with possession of a knife within school Grounds.
   09/10/2025 – A report was received regarding a vehicle causing an obstruction on the roadway, police attended and traced both the vehicle and the driver. Police system checks revealed that there was no valid insurance on the vehicle. It was subsequently seized, and the driver was charged.
   11/10/2025 – Police were contacted in relation to a male, who was attempting to gain entry to vehicles whilst under the influence. Police attended and traced the male, while in the process of getting him medical attention the male became violent and attempted to punch the officers. He was subsequently arrested and charged with police assault and the attempted theft.
   16/10/2025 – A vehicle was stopped due to manner of driving, at which time it was Found to have ply showing on the tyres, further enquiry found that the driver had no Insurance. Vehicle seized and driver charged with relevant offences.
   20/10/2025 – Two young persons were charged for assaulting staff members within a residential care setting.

21/10/2025 – An incident was reported that occurred at Shillahill Bridge, whereby the Driver of a silver van continually flashed the lights at another vehicle and tried to get it To pull over following an incident. The van driver then drew up alongside the vehicle, Was abusive and thereafter punched the other vehicle causing damage. Enquiries are Ongoing.

22/10/2025 – Police received a report of a male having attended at an address and Was being threatening and abusive towards the female occupier in the presence of her Children. The female subsequently sought refuge at a neighbour's address with her Children, she then observed the male walking in the street with a black handled kitchen Knife. Police attended and carried out an area search for the male; they traced the male in the Dumfries area. He was arrested and charged with numerous offences.

Youth Report – none, awaiting appointment of school captains

6. **Councillors Report** –
7. **Treasures Report –Funding** - RBS current £409.47, RBS Windfarm account £1070= £1480.00 Cumberland current £17, 321.21 and £4, 577.89 = £21, 905.20

   Funding Request – Applegarth and Siddaldbie WI, meet 9 months of the year with 18 members, rent, expenses and outing £300 approved.

   Funding Request – Lockerbie Ice Rink £1000 approved for continual providing curling for primary and secondary school children to take part. (seasonal Oct-Apr) do they have capability

   Funding Request for Resilience Plan – Ice Rink as an emergency hub. To be passed to D&GC council. Lockerbie Old School Academy has offered a hub location. (crossover of power)

   Garden event expenditure - £604.10 for all trophies, certificates, bottle, and Just Be Bistro for catering. money prizes for winners and runners up.

   Civic Pride expenditure - £177.06

   Xmas Lights £6000 (from Minsca Windfarm)
8. **Chairs Report** –
9. **Residents Issues and Concerns**

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(REF0002) Park View Place residents' Apr 2024 reopened Jun 2024 access issues to buses stopped entering location. *Gail Macgregor will follow up, to keep on agenda and minutes until response to request*

(REF0023) Road Markings at Police Station unclear Sept 2024, need redoing, *council response to action*

(REF0024) Dropped Kerbs across the Town are not appropriate for safety Sept 2024, *to request resident share again with police and council – Disability access review required. Request to write to disability Scotland for support.* **Action Roger to address with Police (Ian M) – Request to have a meeting with Roads and Council. Jan to request meeting**

(REF0025) Dog Fouling Signs Sept 2024 *request to reinstate at Park Place – no updates Nov 2025*

(REF0026) Bridge Street parking Sept 2024 causing pedestrian safety issues- *determine request for support/action as none taken yet. Parking enforcement may be needed*

(REF0027) State of the bypass road Sept 2024- *there are tram lines once again forming where the road is unable to support the weight and volume of traffic travelling along it. - leaving open and requested response from council*

(REF0032) Lockerbie Medical Centre - NEW Mar 2025 - Chair will request information/attendance at either July or Sept meeting – no response to chair Ian McLatchie

(REF 0037) New Sept 2025 – Double Yellow Parking High Street from near Go Local to meet Townhead Street and other side from Church to MACC club and around into Union Street – as being blocked often to HGVs

(REF 0038) Parking - New Oct 2025 See REF0024– car parking, car and van on High Street including dropped kerb. Additionally, 3 cars are parked on pavement outside commonwealth takeaway, no

evidence of police acting. Police have responded to some community residents that broken yellow lines and junctions mean that no action will be taken. – **Action Roger to address with Police, (Ian M) – Request to have a meeting with Roads and Council. Issue to be collated into REF0024**

(REF 0039) Cameron Close – **New Oct 2025** – request to implement a waiting restriction and compliance as no operator's licence being used as commercial property operating there. Contacted Council to act.

(REF 0040) Bluebell/drovers – **New Oct 2025** Cracks in wall, render – brought to attention of the community council. This has been raised before with previous community council – Council Are taking that in hand, Arranged a meeting for this.

(REF 0041) 3 station road New Oct 2025– next door to chip shop and another business Thrive. This has been raised before with previous community council, but no action taken to enforce owners to remediate issues with damp, water and rat infestation.

10. **Correspondence -** Transient Visitor Levy (Tourist Tax) – Received correspondence re Visitor levy/Tourist Tax consultation – I would recommend opposing and I will write a letter to Stephen Thomson and to Community Council to state LCC opinion.

11. **AOCB**

Resilience Plan – Bronze Award – Awarded to Community Council for the Draft plan

Lockerbie Signs for Town - updates on proposal for new year

Roundabouts – Roger will write to Chief Exec and FOI on to improve the appearance of the roundabouts including sponsors, businesses willing to perform works, Roads department sat on it for months and advised to put through Planning committee, yet planning have refused to take on application without payment. (first reported April 2019)

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Lambhill Park – Request to replace baby swings due to condition of equipment – Carolyne Wilson

Replacing trees in Corrie Wood – seeing if fund can be secured to replace trees, there was a potential funding via Scotland fund

Pump Track – reported that Perimeter Chain link fencing requires to be reinstated

Signs for King Edwards Park - Doreen Jenkins raised the signs had previously been requested and approved but no action, council to respond. (raised again)

Kintail Park – Stump from fallen tree needs removed

Common Good Meeting –

Rotary Club - offered support for resilience plan.

Rotary Club are looking into areas within the town to provide benches where requested from CC

Rotary club have around 1K tulips and 4K daffodils to be planted

Request to provide a bin next to bench outside the Bluebell

Civic Pride –

War Monument Cleaned –

Commemorative Wreath for Lockerbie Memorial

Garden Competition and Civic Pride – Well done to Roger and all involved who organised the event -

Christmas Lights – Absolutely fantastic event and display, lots of photos online shared and Annandale Herald, all amazing.

***Casual Vacancy* –** Concluded and we have 3 other new community councillors, Ann Burns, Jan Andrews and Emma Berger joining as of 21st November 2025, 1st official meeting Tues 20th Jan 2026

Date and Time of Next meeting - Tuesday 20th January 2026 at 7pm which will be in Lesser Hall in Lockerbie Town Hall. All Members of the Public are welcome to attend.