Lockerbie & District Community Council

20th Jan 2026 Community Council Meeting Minutes (FINAL)

1. **Welcome** - Chair welcomed all, confirmed quorum.
2. **Present** – LCC, Doreen Jenkins, Roger Claymore, Hayley Nicholson, Robert Humes, Simon Poole, Jan Andrews, Emma Berger, Carolyne Wilson Ward councillor **Apologies** – Avril Bailey, Ian McLatchie, Ken Bailey, Ann Burns, Stephen Thompson Ward Councillor
3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting –** Propose Doreen Jenkins, Second Roger Claymore (couple of typo corrections)
4. **Official Welcome to new Community councillors** Jan Andrews and Emma Berger
5. **Public Forum -** Applegarth Church (Andrew Michell) Share Ideas, Plans for plans to preserve the church and make a community centre, promotion of harmony, advancement of arts, heritage and culture, education and potential resilience plan hub – support from community council on plans
6. **Police Report** – **Area Crime Information and Notable Incidents**:
   Lockerbie and District:
   16/12/2025 – Male charged with Section 38 Threatening and Abusive behaviour against his ex-partner
   Patrols have been regularly carried out in the area in relation to rural criminality
   PC Barnfather and I will be continuing to host rural community surgeries in the 2026 Period and would ask that you help make the local community aware to attend For any advice or to meet the local officers for the are
   Throughout December Community Policing officers were deployed to a number of festive
   events, including well attended and community supports Christmas light switch ons.
7. **Youth Report** – Ellie Sim will be Co-opted onto community council following the process, support from Carolyn Wilson
8. **Councillors Report** – from Carolyn Wilson –
   Corrie Wood work lasting 4 weeks,

School Knife incident – CW contacted education department, advised that all policies had been followed, but councillor not happy on responses re e.g. lockdown so put a motion forward for a policy to be brought forward and improved communications to both parents and ward councillors. Violent incidents across the region have increased.

Issues with pest control at the Bluebell, council dealing with that and trying to contact owners but difficult to reach and reviewed safety of the building but this still concerns both councillor and residents, community councillors believe this is a dangerous building.

CW had meeting with Police, Council Roads and Community councillor Jan , DGC have actions on double yellow, pavements and dropped kerbs remediated.

McJerrow Park CCTV installation nearing final assessment works for poles, cameras and connecting to existing lighting poles to reduce vandalism and dog fouling

Toilets and activity space in final plans still to plan dates, work in progress.

Roundabouts, supplied a new contact in council and Carolyn has shared her frustrations with the delays and responses so brought up in regional council meeting 19th Jan.

Roger(treasurer) has submitted a complaint about the roundabouts responses, delays lack of support and the roads department – no response received – outside SLA

9. **Treasures Report** – Money spend over past 2 months Applegarth & Siddaldbie WI £300, Lockerbie Curling School £1000

   Income £3826.25 from Foundation Scotland

   Current account £14,329.20 and Wind farm account £3277.89

   RBS Current account £324.47 Windfarms account £1070.97

   Total £23,385.64

Request from Lockerbie learning centre/Lockerbie Send attendees with funding requests for trips to Blair Drummond and Dynamic Earth total estimate £1,000 Treasurer to follow up for more information

10. **Chairs Report** – No updates

11. **Residents Issues and Concerns and CC Actions**

(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*

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

(REF0024) Dropped Kerbs across the Town are not appropriate for safety Sept 2024 see REF0038, *Jan requested 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 Nov 2025*

(REF0032) Lockerbie Medical Centre - NEW Mar 2025 - Chair will request information/attendance at either July or Sept 2025 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 taking action.– Action Roger to address with Police, (Ian M) – Request to have a meeting with Roads and Council. Issue to be collated into REF0024 **– Jan Andrews has held meeting and Council have actions to undertake across the town**

(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. Jan contacted Council to take action.

(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. – Discussed under councillor report

(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. CW to follow up in council

(REF 0042) Roundabouts - **Oct 2025 -** Roger will write to Chief Exec and submit FOI on actions taken and minutes of council decisions, discussions. L&D CC wish to improve the appearance of the roundabouts and have willing including sponsors, businesses waiting to perform works, Roads department have sat on it for months possible years, CW to follow up in council

(REF 0043) Lambhill Park – Oct 2025 - Request to replace baby swings due to condition of equipment – taken on by Carolyne Wilson

(REF 0044) Replacing trees in Corrie Wood – Oct 2025 - seeing if fund can be secured to replace trees, there was a potential funding via Scotland fund(Will pause action until works complete but needs someone from L&DCC to own action)

(REF 0045) Pump Track Oct 2025 - reported that Perimeter Chain link fencing requires to be reinstated(action with CW)

(REF 0046) Signs for King Edwards Park – Sept 2024 - Dorren Jenkins raised the signs had previously been requested and approved but no action , council to respond. (CW to follow up)

(REF 0047) Kintail Park Oct 2025 - Stump from fallen tree needs removed – someone has tidied up (CW to follow up)

(REF 0048) Bench at Bluebell Oct 2025 - request to provide a bin next to bench outside the Bluebell as used a lot for lunches etc – (CW to follow up)

(REF 0049) War Monument - Sept 2024 - request to clean War memorial – advice came back not to clean CW to follow up

(REF 0050) New Bins on Dumfries Road – none available to nature reserve or cemetery request (CW to follow up)

Correspondence - Transient Visitor Levy (Tourist Tax) – sent opposition to proposal to council, council leader and MSP.

Nov, Dec, up to Jan 20th received 55 inbound emails, 13 sent outbound, 51 closed actions and 6 open actions

12. **AOCB**

Lockerbie Signs for Town REF0051- updates on proposal for new year

Lockerbie Sign/Noticeboard REF0051- to be added to town signs for L&DCC actions, need a new noticeboard and/or locationin town centre covering places of interest especially around various memorial locations, gardens, cemetery, churches and town hall stained glass window as visitors are not sure where things are

Rotary Club REF005are looking into areas within the town to provide benches where requested = Jan supporting bench proposal

McJerrow Park - lifted the leaves at the park , absolute great job

McJerrow Park REF0054 – Ask about signposting the park

See REF0037 parking issues and traffic congestion causing issues with safety on High St/Townhead Street.

Path has issues REF0055 – path from Park Place by side of church, tyre business and Men's club is bad underfoot used by elderly residents

Training – Online Asked by Emma -

Town hall REF0056 - large list of clerk of works building is in need of several repairs that can impact the quality of the town hall and safety issues including brickwork and gutters – shared to DGC ward councillor

Clock REF0057 not working – requires netting to resolve to allow works to be undertaken (CW to follow up)

Dryfe Rd/Harcourt – Roadworks completion date ?

Resilience Plan - Meeting held to discuss event such as storms response and where we could get the hubs the ice rink has generator but only lights not heating or kitchen. Looking to support electrical changes to enable generator – fwd. to CW .

From 1st April 2026 all resilience plan groups will be covered by insurance policy up to 25 persons per group to cover various low level activities by DGC.

Looking at how to celebrate/open day to officially open McJerrow Park and King Edwards park facilities gym, sand/water park, pump track

Memorial Services Attendance of services at Dryfesdale church and Tundergarth church well attended and received across the town

Lockerbie Lights now achieved charity status

Grit Bins REF0058 – request for bins and review of coverage /map

Date and Time of Next meeting - Tuesday 17th February 2026 at 7pm which will be in Lesser Hall in Lockerbie Town Hall. All Members of the Public are welcome to attend.