

APPROVED MINUTES
Cambuskenneth Community Council Meeting
Village Hall, Cambuskenneth
23/06/2025
7.30pm

Present: Archie McIver, Maggie Ruddy, Barbara McElhinney (Treasurer), Catriona Taylor, Councillor McGill and seven residents.

Apologies: Jim Richardson

The meeting was chaired by Archie McIver and minutes were taken by Caroline Stewart

1. Attendance and apologies

The chair welcomed everyone to the June meeting and gave apologies for Jim Richardson.

2. Items from AOCB

The Chair asked if there were any items that people wanted added to AOCB and there was a request to add the following:

- Letter from Chris Kane
- Pot on Ferry Road
- Constituency boundaries being redrawn
- Fence across the park

3. Adoption of previous minutes – May 2025

The minutes of the last meeting were proposed by Barbara McElhinney and seconded by Catriona Taylor.

4. Cambuskenneth CC website

Catriona is monitoring usage, posted the minutes of the last meeting and minutes from previous meetings, as well as announcing details of the AGM.

Facebook still not able to access as don't have log in. Previous Secretary will try and chase up the log in details.

Action: Previous Secretary to try and chase up log in details.

5. Cambuskenneth Whatsapp group

Catriona has set up the group with three members and one new member asking to join this week. The minutes have been posted on the group. Catriona wanted the group to be set up for announcements only but realised that members can respond to posts.

A poster has been created that will go up with the June minutes and posters will also be put around the village to promote the group. There are various ways that it can be accessed including typing in a link, QR code or going onto the Cambuskenneth website and follow the link from there. Catriona will put out a post to remind members that it is for announcements only.

Action: Catriona will put out a post to remind members that it is for announcements only.

6. Village Hall

Jim Richardson not present. Councillor McGill gave guidance on SC process for the renewal of leases. She advised that there isn't an option to renew a lease for more than one year. SC need to be in touch with Cowane's Trust at least one month before it is due for renewal if they want to change the Terms and Conditions. Jim has a date to meet with Cowane's Trust along with a local resident. The meeting is due to take place in September.

7. Disabled Toilet

No update still being pursued.

8. Hanging Baskets

Looking good and the rota is up and running

9. Safety issues of Pergola

Has been removed. Proposal for a new bench hasn't been pursued any further can be added to a future agenda.

10. SC update

Councillor McGill

- Chief Executive has left and there is an Interim Chair in post until a decision is made on their replacement.
- Consultation about visitor levy with a third-party agency
- Issues with finance of the Health and Social care partnership Integrated joint board for Stirling and Clacks.
- Concerns about the end of year accounts, new software taking time to implement.
- There was a discussion about maintenance and areas being overgrown.

11. Active Travel

- Barbara has provided a paper map of the proposed route which has been put on the wall of the village hall
- The general feeling is that not enough notice is being given for any consultation, and it is difficult to find the required information elsewhere.
- Section of minutes where it was discussed will be send to the four Ward Councillors to try and find out when there will be a proper consultation. AMCI will forward on the section of the minutes.
- Ways to improve communication as only getting a few days' notice and lack of communication with the community. CC getting information in between meetings that they can't get out to the community.

Action: AMCI to send on the minutes the Ward Councillors.

12. Kerr's Yard Site

Councillor Gibson mentioned at the last meeting and contacted Taylor Woodrow regarding the land to the left of Ladyneuk Road which has been rewilded. There has been a Taylor Woodrow sign on the land for some time advising of a development coming soon however it is believed there were issues with access and flooding and they didn't go ahead with the development. The latest owners haven't applied for planning permission but have put up a diagram of accommodation for 120 people.

13. Toy box

Barbara put out two new toy boxes which haven't been checked since. The previous toy boxes were damaged.

New furniture in the park, a decision needs to be made on this as the small wooden slide is being removed as the wood is rotten. Paper copies of the diagrams of the three options were passed round, it was felt there was already lots for bigger children and nothing for toddlers to climb on themselves, so the preferred option was the one suitable for younger children. Barbara will feedback on preferred option.

Safety in the park, a local resident raised concerns about both dogs and children roaming together and proposed that the CC consider erecting a fence to separate the park. Th CC agreed to investigate it and add to the agenda for the next meeting.

Actions: Barabara to feedback preferred option for the playpark furniture. CC to look at options for fencing in the park.

14. Annual BBQ

- Barbara has put some posters up and had four volunteers already depending on the date.
- Looking at 16th August 2025. If people could send information to Maggie.
- There are various roles that need to be filled including finding a burger flipper and someone to supply the meat.
- There are supplies left over from the last BBQ that can be used.
- A local resident advised that they have access to a cash and carry membership and therefore can help to collect items.
- Help is needed with raffle prizes
- There was a discussion about how much should be charged and was agreed it would be £7 for adults and £4 for children from 4 years plus.
- Maggie will book hall for 16th August from 12pm to 6pm and put an advert out about three weeks before
- Help needed with selling tickets.
- Barbara will deal with the insurance.
- Maggie will make a list of jobs to do and distribute it for people to volunteer.

Action: Amcl will contact Ross re: BBQ , supply of meet and cooking and the BBQ. Maggie to book the hall and put an advert out and also deal with insurance. Maggie to make a list of jobs.

15. Treasurers Report

Discussed at the AGM

16. Social Group

Discussed

17. Resilience

- Made a lot of progress, meeting 7th July, questionnaire prepared to get demographic information, in the process of preparing the brochure
- Planning an emergency preparedness day in October hoping to get the fire service, defib training where people could practice and the mobile FLOW tour van which gives tips about how to reinforce home
- Councillor McGill will speak to relevant department at SC for someone to be available for questions who could provide their expertise.

Action: Councillor McGill to speak to resilience team at SC to arrange for someone to come along.

18. Police Report

The report was received today via email there have been no calls to the police and no reported crimes recorded.

19. AOCB

- Chris Kane has sent in a letter as he is keen to engage with local communities for a round table discussion. A poster will be put on the noticeboard and in the village hall window to promote.
- Maggie asked about boundary changes. Councillor McGill advised that this isn't final but is likely to be passed by Scottish Parliament and will mean that any areas North of the River will now be part of Clackmannan and Dunblane this will include Cambuskenneth, Cornton etc. Bridge of Allan is already part of this area. This happens to ensure MSPs have roughly the same number of constituents.
- Elaine has resigned from the CC so there is now a vacancy. The CC were keen to thank Elaine for her contribution and wish her success in the future. The chair will liaise with Stephen Bly to clarify the steps that need to be taken to co-opt a new member.

Actions: Poster to be put up re: that Chris Kane keen to engage with the local community. The Chair will contact Stephen Bly to find out the procedure for the co-option of a new member.