



Minutes of Meeting Kyle Academy, 30TH June 2026 - 7pm

FHMCC : Lee Stewart, Douglas Smith, Anne Miller, Mary Elliot, Samantha Laidlaw, Elsie McDougal.
SAC: Council Officer Audrey Gatt
GUEST: Ayrshire Housing Officer Joan Calderwood
Police : The Police report was circulated to the Committee by email.
Scotland
Apologies: Sandra Taylor, Lynn Stewart, Lisa Sloan, Cllr. McGinley, Cllr Kilpatrick, Cllr Cullen
Matters
Arising: None
Declarations
Of Interest : None
February : Proposed by Dougie Smith, Seconded by Mary Elliot
Minutes
April AGM : Proposed by Samantha Laidlaw, Seconded by Elsie McDougal
Minutes
Secretary's In Agenda
Report :
Treasurer's The Audit report has been returned. The annual SAC funding of £526.88 has
Report : been received and we are awaiting a Zurich Insurance refund of £97
Total combined funds stand at £3040.73.
SAC Councillor's Report – Deferred.

Ayrshire Housing – Housing Officer Joan Calderwood

We were delighted to welcome Joan to our meeting. Joan is the Ayrshire Housing Officer for Ayr East where Ayrshire Housing have 170 properties, (1,700 in total throughout South Ayrshire). Joan commented that the FHMCC area is an extremely popular area to live. She advised that Ayrshire Housing offers a wide variety of assistance to their Tenants, including financial wellbeing and debt advice, energy and meter advice, and possible financial assistance, which they are keen to promote, however a recent drop in session at their offices in Ayr Main Street was not well attended.

FHMCC are happy to help by promoting Ayrshire Housing offers on our Social Media and Website and will distribute copies of their newsletter within the area when requested – copies will also be available from Forehill Library.

Ayrshire Housing Officers want to become more involved within local communities and are keen to attend events, litter picks etc. They also have a Community Area space called 'The Local' in Ayr Main Street which is available to hire throughout the day and evening. The space is suitable for a range of events, for example, Burns Suppers and can also be used to hold classes – eg Yoga, Zumba, Knit & Natter etc. If anyone is keen to book the space, they can contact Ayrshire Housing for further information.



(FHMCC June Minutes Cont)

Place Plan Update – South Ayrshire Council Officer Audrey Gatt

A general discussion was held regarding the Community Action Plan (CAP) results. This has been agreed as ready to progress by both Ayr East Community Councils (FHMCC & BKCC). It was noted that the proposed extension to Forehill Library is being funded from the Capital Investment Fund. FHM Committee Members agreed that we have no further concerns regarding this build. Audrey will arrange for the Committee to view the finalised plans when they are available.

The CAP is funded from various sources. It is from these various pots that funding will come for for the improvements to Castlehill Woods, Glencairn Park, The River Ayr Walk in FHM and a variety of upgrades to public spaces in the KBCC area. These improvements have a completion date of March 2027.

There was a general discussion regarding a community space in the FHM area, with the Rotunda at Kyle Academy mentioned. Audrey advised that if the Community wish to progress plans for a dedicated Community Building in the FHM area, then a Constituted Group needs to be formed. This will be discussed further at a future meeting.

Audrey will provide printed/bound copies of the Community Action Plan which local Residents can obtain from FHMCC on request. We will add information on this to our Social Media Sites.

Round Table

Community Council Events for 2026 and the Community Council 2026/2027 projects – deferred until the September meeting. The Secretary will re-send the proposed list of projects nearer the meeting date. The Annual Events surplus funds discussion was also deferred.

Any Other Business (AOB)

The Chair attended Forehill Primary school's summer fete to promote FHMCC.

FHMCC donated raffle prizes to the three Primary Schools and Southpark School for their fetes.

Police Scotland have contacted all Community Councils requesting they nominate three roads in their areas which could be monitored for speeding. The Secretary will reply with our agreed nominated streets – Holmston Road, Hillfoot Road and Castlehill Road.

The Treasurer has been growing a Chestnut tree from seed and it now needs a permanent home. The Secretary will progress this with SAC's Grounds Maintenance Department.

Date of Next Meeting - 29th September, 2026, Kyle Academy at 7pm