KILGETTY-BEGELLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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**Press Release – April 2015**

The latest meeting of Full Council, Kilgetty, Begelly Community Council (KBCC) took place at 7.00pm on 9 April 2015 at Kilgetty, Begelly Community Centre.

The latest news and other main items discussed and agreed by Full Council were:-

* The village clean of Kilgetty, part of the ‘Keep Wales Tidy’ scheme, took place on 21 March. Up to 20 bags of litter were collected although BKCA was a little disappointed at the number of local residents that took part.
* Further improvement work to the Kilgetty Play Area will be undertaken over the next two months, including improving the drainage in the area of the swings and additional safety work to the rope walk.
* KBCC will shortly be installing 8 artificial flower hanging baskets in Kilgetty. This will be undertaken once Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) has approved the work.
* Further improvement work to Begelly-Kilgetty Community Centre, including external repainting of the building, will commence shortly.
* Attempts to improve the traffic flow and discourage illegal parking in Carmarthen Road, Kilgetty, are continuing. Legal Notices, Consultations and a Traffic Order will be required before any changes occur.
* Further attempts to repair the potholes in the privately owned Kilgetty surgery car park are continuing. PCC’s Head of Property has been asked for views.
* The Annual Audit process for 2014/15 has begun. Local residents can request sight of various papers forming the audit by contacting the Clerk.
* A Casual Vacancy for a Councillor for Kilgetty Ward exists on KBCC. If any local resident would be interested in serving as a Councillor, please do make enquiries with the Clerk.
* Local residents and local organisations are encouraged to send information on special events in the area to the Clerk, as well as photographs of Kilgetty through the ages, who will consider for inclusion on the KBCC website. Contact details below.

**Begelly-Kilgetty Community Association (BKCA)**:

* The Coffee Morning held in the Community Centre, Kilgetty, on 28 March 2015, raised approximately £400, with proceeds going to the Harriet Davis Trust.
* The Japanese Knotweed infestation near to the Community Garden, Kilgetty, is being addressed by expert local resident, Mathew Tebbutt, with help from BKCA. Spraying and other means to eradicate the plant will take place over the coming days.
* A 12 sq metre area in the Kilgetty play area has been prepared for the sowing of wild flowers by children from Stepaside School. The children can now take ‘ownership’ of the plot.
* A Cherry tree, kindly donated by Brenda Allen, has been planted in the Community Garden.

**Planning**

No planning applications were considered by KBCC at the April 2015 meeting.

**County Councillor David Pugh’s Report**

 County Councillor Pugh was present and provided a report which included the following;

* PCC undertook a litter pick on the outskirts of Kilgetty on 18 March, ahead of the Village Clean, held on 21 March 2015.
* An Extraordinary Meeting of PCC is to take place shortly to discuss education provision in the north of Pembrokeshire.
* The process to recruit a new Chief Executive is underway. Meantime, Ian Westley continues as Acting CEO.

 **Next meeting**

 The next meeting of Kilgetty Begelly Community Council will take place on Thursday, 14 May 2015 in the Green Room, Kilgetty-Begelly Community Centre, commencing at 7.00pm. This will be KBCC’s AGM. A public participation session is always scheduled prior to the start of the meeting. Copies of the approved Minutes of Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council meetings can be viewed by contacting the Clerk, Ian Morris, on 01834 450306 or by accessing the website.

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 Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council, April 2015