KILGETTY-BEGELLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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**Press Release – June 2015**

The latest meeting of Full Council, Kilgetty, Begelly Community Council (KBCC) took place at 7.00pm on 11 June 2015 at Kilgetty, Begelly Community Centre.

* One of the best attended public participation sessions in recent years saw the local community discuss and express their views over;
	+ a planning application which involves 55 new house builds in Kilgetty.
	+ Grazing of horses in the locality
	+ and activities being undertaken by Stepaside School.

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

* External repainting of the Community Centre, Kilgetty, is nearly complete and repairs to some of the soffits will also be undertaken. KBCC has agreed to make a financial contribution toward the labour costs for this work.
* The Co-operative Group, Manchester, has instructed its contractors to look at the pot holes in the Kilgetty GP surgery car park and news on repairs is awaited from them.
* New boarding steps have been provided by Arriva Trains Wales at Kilgetty Railway Station.
* The replacement of one of the swing seats in Kilgetty play area has been completed by *Tawny Wood*, together with some remedial work to the Rope Walk. Other work to improve the play area, including better drainage, is being undertaken shortly by *Dig It Garden Services*.
* Welsh Government has agreed to consult with KBCC when making landscape improvements to the A477/A478 Begelly Roundabout next financial year. This will include the seeding of wild flowers.
* Stepaside School held a successful ‘Open Afternoon’ on 8 June 2015. Several councillors attended and undertook a tour of the school’s facilities.
* KBCC has reluctantly agreed not to pursue the purchase of artificial flower hanging baskets this year due to incomplete information being available to meet licensing requirements. Christmas lighting will again be made available by KBCC for Kilgetty later this year.
* A Casual Vacancy for a Councillor for Kilgetty Ward continues to exist 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 then consider for inclusion on the KBCC website. Contact details below.

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

* No meeting was held this month.

**Planning**

KBCC considered the following planning applications and recommended approval in the following cases;

**15/0117/PA – Erection of dwelling (approval of reserved matters) at Shipping Cottages, Begelly, Kilgetty.**

**15/0200/CL – Certificate of Lawfulness development for residential use for a single dwelling at Haresteps, Church Lane, Reynalton, Kilgetty.**

**15/0234/PA – Upgrade to existing telecommunications installation and associated works at site at Kilgetty farm, Kilgetty Lane, Stepaside, Narberth.**

Full Council recommended refusal of the planning application;

**15/0137/PA – Proposed residential development for 55 dwellings and associated works on land North of James Park, Kilgetty.**

Full Council recommended refusal on the following grounds;

* Concerns about future drainage (storm water and surface drainage where the water table is already high) and sewerage capacity
* Poor access to the site and future volume of traffic using a narrow residential road
* Density of the development

**County Councillor David Pugh’s Report**

County Councillor Pugh provided the following updates;

* PCC will be treating growth of Japanese Knotweed in New Road, Begelly
* Grass cutting on the verge of the A478 roundabout in Begelly will be re-started soon.
* Cllr Pugh had also attended the Stepaside School ‘Open Afternoon’ recently and had been impressed by the facilities and future plans by head teacher, Paul Harries. Recent school inspections had provided excellent reports.
* The litter bin alongside the bus stop in Carmarthen Road, Kilgetty, had been taken away. Cllr Pugh investigating.

 **Next meeting**

The next meeting of Kilgetty Begelly Community Council will take place on Thursday, 9 July 2015 in the Green Room, Kilgetty-Begelly Community Centre, commencing at 7.00pm. 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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