

- Community Council Digest. Meeting held 21/11/2011. Full Minutes will be published once approved (i.e. after the January Meeting)
- The Community Council noted, with great sadness, the sudden passing away of Eleanor McGarva last week. She will be much missed and our thoughts are all with Robert and the rest of the family at this time.
- Interesting and informative presentation from Pat Kirby about the Queensberry Initiative.
- Police Drink Driving campaign starts December, extends into January.
- Ongoing problems with leaves in drains. Had been cleared, but more have fallen and problem has recurred. Also: missing bollard/hole in East Morton Street. Cllr JD will chase these up.
- Christmas Shopping Night: Arrangements proceeding. A couple of Meetings taken place so far (see separate Minutes).
- Tattoo: Arrangements progressing well. Another Meeting tomorrow.
- Windfarms: Auchencairn Windfarm: Noted Closeburn's very detailed submission to Planning Dept re Auchencairn Windfarm. Agreed to lodge objection in similar terms, though one CC Member recorded dissent.
- Playpark: Some maintenance (pressure washing slimy rubber matting etc) has now been done. Group is hoping for some upgrading of playpark at Community Centre. Agreed that background work should be done now. 2012/13 form becomes available in February and data could be mapped across on to it then and submitted.
- Cllr JD will push for some refurbishment of other, existing play areas.
- A Member of the Public raised the possibility of acquiring the Duke William Building as the new Community Facility. We had already begun to consider that. More later.
- Former WHA buildings update.: Original Missives provided for demolition starting by end of November, but looking unlikely at present. Holyrood money to provide housing on that site but those works, in turn, must be commenced by March, 2012. Cllr JD will provide update for January meeting.
- Winter Resilience Meeting: See separate Report. In the event, one business had been represented at the Meeting, but various private individuals had attended and there were the beginnings of some small groups who could apply for equipment. CC would co-ordinate these. Further applications could be made when other groups could be identified.
- Request from Thornhill Rotary for grant of £250 towards Firework Display. Agreed