



BCIC Newsletter

BARHILL COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY

Goodbye Summer—Hello Autumn

Welcome to the third edition of the BCIC Newsletter for 2016. We're already looking towards the long winter nights with news of this year's winter fuel payment inside, as well as details of the first BCIC Fireworks Display & Guy Fawkes Competition. Let your imagination run riot! We hope to see lots of 'Guys' on the 6th November at Arnshean Park.

If you know of someone in the village who has yet to join the BCIC as a member then please encourage them to get in touch and sign up. We feel it's important that the village takes ownership of the focus and direction the BCIC takes—we are your voice.



Good Reasons why you should attend this year's AGM

There are very good reasons why each and every resident of Barrhill should attend this year's AGM. It's open to all which means BCIC Members AND non-members should come along. At the meeting your elected directors will share details about the past year's successes and challenges, discuss the outlook going forward and listen to you. On top of that, BCIC members will get to vote for the election of new or existing directors. All BCIC members should have received information through the post about how to apply to become a Director on the BCIC Board, but if you have any questions or concerns then please don't hesitate to get in touch with us straight away.

- ◆ You'll get unlimited information at the AGM—as well as hearing from the Board you'll be able to ask any questions you like in a Q&A session.
- ◆ There will be a presentation from Foundation Scotland— to bring into focus Barrhill's approach to any long-term investment strategy.


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2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 2016
7.00PM
BARRHILL COMMUNITY HALL

ALL RESIDENTS WELCOME
(MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS)

UPDATE/ELECTION OF NEW DIRECTORS/DISCUSSION

- ◆ You'll get to meet other residents of the village, collect a membership application form (for those of you who have yet to join us), and talk through how you want to see the BCIC evolve and move forward into 2017.
- ◆ Please attend your AGM! It gives valuable information about what can impact your life in the village. Doesn't it make sense to make sure your voice is heard? EVERY decision made by the BCIC Board is driven by the wants and needs of the community—only with your help can we make the RIGHT decision.

Winter Bonus

Great News This year's winter fuel payment has been increased to £150 for every main and permanent residence in Barrhill. You should receive an application form through the post and ALL cheques will be issued AFTER the submission deadline. Please don't miss the deadline as no applications for this year's payment will be considered after the closing date. Full details of the eligibility criteria and how to apply are set out in the letter you will receive, including the documentation you'll have to supply to confirm your main and permanent residency in our beautiful village.

Keep warm and cozy this winter with £150 towards your heating!



Bursary Funds— Look to the future

Apply Now The BCIC believes education is the most important investment a community can make in its people. Bursaries are available to ANY resident of Barrhill wishing to further their education. From university or college placements, Open University study, to one-day courses - get in touch with us if you would like to know more about bursary funding.

Terms & conditions apply—for full details and an application form please contact any BCIC Director or email us on bcic-barrhill@yahoo.co.uk for the forms to be sent out to you.

What can Girvan Youth Trust do for Barrhill?



The BCIC Board was recently visited by Derek Gillott of the Girvan Youth Trust, who asked us to pass on the following information to all young people in Barrhill. Derek asked *'what can the Girvan Youth Trust do to improve access to activities and opportunities for young people living in and around Barrhill?'*

Some of the activities they have organised this year include; Five days yachting on the West Coast, two days at snow-camp, overnight camping at Culzean,

Sky media centre, Falkirk wheel and lots of other trips and events. Over the next few weeks they are going to Mull for a week of adventure, kicking off the Big Music Project which will involve live music, sound & light and DJ workshops and planning a night out to the Dark Sky Centre to view the universe.

The Girvan Youth Trust run regular evening youth clubs for ages s1 upwards. So, if you think there is a need for activities and opportunities for Barrhill's young people, or have any questions or suggestions please feel free to contact Derek Gillott by email at derek@z1girvan.org.uk or 01465 714729. Alternatively please pass on your suggestions or questions via the BCIC Board.



Facebook: Girvan Youth Trust / Z1 Youth Bar



Sincere Thanks Annie



On behalf of us all the BCIC would like to take the opportunity of thanking local resident Annie Clarke for her dedication and hard work overseeing and caring for the various tubs and planters throughout the village.

Because of you Annie, Barrhill is a more beautiful place.

Autumn Fun in Barrhill

BARRHILL MEMORIAL HALL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Halloween Party



All Barrhill Pre-school & Primary Children very Welcome
 Friday 28th October 2016
 6.30pm
 Fancy Dress competition
 Party Games and Lots more



FREE

FIREWORKS SUNDAY

6th November 2016 6.00PM
 ARNSHEEN PARK, BARRHILL

GATES OPEN 5.00pm
 for Guy Fawkes Competition

Strictly no alcohol, dogs, or personal fireworks please

BARRHILL MEMORIAL HALL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

WHIST EVENING
 Being held at Barrhill Memorial Hall
 Friday 11th November
 7.30pm
 Everyone is very welcome... see you there!!!

REMINDER

Attending an event at the Community Hall or Arnsheen Park?

THEN PARK YOUR CAR IN THE NEW COMMUNITY CAR PARK



BUILD A GUY FAWKES

Great prizes - so get stuffing!

JOIN US ON SUNDAY

6TH
 OR
NOVEMBER

1st Prize - £50
 2nd Prize - £25
 3rd Prize - £15

Arnsheen Park, Barrhill
FREE ENTRY

DELIVER GUYS TO PARK BY 5.00PM

Judging starts 5.30pm

Full details from The Shop, Barrhill or via email: bcicbarrhill@yahoo.co.uk

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Self-employed person for grass-cutting, weeding, planting duties in and around the village. Areas include the Football Park, The Avenue, Community Car Park and any other areas deemed requiring attention.

Must have necessary experience and public liability insurance. Apply via any BCIC Director or bcicbarrhill@yahoo.co.uk

There's a Pilgrim in the village

The Whithorn Way had its first official pilgrim in the form of Derek Stewart from Hawick.—with a stop-off in Barrhill en route. Derek is a historical enactment enthusiast and his 145 mile walk from Glasgow Cathedral to Whithorn Priory started on 20th June.

Walking in traditional mediaeval period clothes of the 13th Century, every part of his gear from boots to small sundial 'watch' was as authentic as possible.

Arriving in Barrhill he was met and offered a bacon roll and accompanied as far as the Martyr's Tomb.

Finally, after 8 days on the

road Derek arrived in Whithorn at 2:00p.m on Tuesday 28th June. It was heart-warming that he had so many tales of help and hospitality along the way.

By supporting 'The Whithorn Way' we can make it one of 'Scotland's Great Trails' and make Barrhill a destination to remember.

Follow on Facebook:
www.facebook.com/whithornway

For maps & information on the Whithorn Way website:

www.whithornway.org



Rolling again—minibus hire

More good news for you all—the BCIC is pleased to announce that the free community minibus hire is available once more, this time through the South Carrick Community Transport initiative.

So, if you are a group or organisation within Barrhill, you can have use of a 14-seater minibus for a day outing ONCE a year completely free of charge (the BCIC will pay for the hire, plus a driver). This service is subject to availability so please bear this in mind when organising your trip and get in touch with us soon.

Save the Date

Friday 23rd December
Barrhill Pre-School & Primary Children's Christmas Party
(time to be confirmed)

Don't Forget!

Wednesday 14th December
Barrhill Senior Citizen Christmas Dinner
6.30pm
for 7.00pm meal

We'd like to hear from you all

The BCIC was set up and is run entirely for your benefit as a resident of Barrhill. The objective of the BCIC is to ascertain, co-ordinate and express, the views of the community and to take action, in the interests of the community, as appears to be expedient and reasonably practicable, and based on the consensus of opinion.

It is absolutely vital that the BCIC receives your help and support to make the best choices for us all. We therefore urge you to get involved in the BCIC, attend the forthcoming AGM, or come along to one of our monthly meetings to make your voice heard. We look forward to another exciting Autumn and thank you all for reading this edition of the BCIC Newsletter.

Barrhill Community Interest Company



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