

## **WHAT'S NEW IN BALDERNOCK in November 2021 - Baldernock Community Council**

[www.baldernock.org.uk](http://www.baldernock.org.uk) – provides information on Baldernock and its organizations as well as minutes of the Community Council meetings. If you have something to submit, please email: [baldernockcc@gmail.com](mailto:baldernockcc@gmail.com)

**Contents - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY, Church services, Baldernock Community Council, Police Surgery, Baldernock Primary School, Baldernock Childcare, Bardowie Tennis Club, Baldernock Community Development Trust, Broadband, Litter pickers available, Swap and Share, Balmore Golf Club.**

### **Dates for your Diary**

**Sunday 7th - Baldernock Parish Church – 12 noon – and all following Sundays.**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – 7.30 – Baldernock Community Council AGM via Zoom.** *This meeting will include a discussion on the proposed tree planting on farmland by Caledonian Estates, plus other key matters for our community. We would also love new members to join our committee. Please contact this email for an invite.*

**Wednesday 3rd**– Police Surgery – see details below.

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> - Tartan Tea – 1 pm – 4 pm - Church Hall, Glenorchard Road, Balmore.** Calendars, pre-loved books, and Christmas cards and you can share tea and cake whilst enjoying the exhibition of local history, and tartan. If you have any books which need to be re-homed, bring them along to the hall on Saturday morning at 11am. The event will be covid safe, and masks will be required when not seated for food and drink. We don't have pay by card facilities at the hall, so please bring cash! Tea and cake will be £3, calendars £7. Any tartan items can be paid using BACS. Thank you!

Parking in the Old Balmore Road across from the Hall.

**Monday – 15<sup>th</sup> - Baldernock Local History Group: – Dr Peter**

**Monday – 15<sup>th</sup> - Baldernock Local History Group:** – Dr Peter Drummond on ‘The Gaelic place-names of Baldernock’. Baldernock Parish was one of the study areas for Pete Drummond’s University of Glasgow PhD thesis and so we will receive the most up-to-date information on this topic (which will also dispel some old myths

about what ‘Baldernock’ itself means). Please email Paul [paul.bishop.3@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:paul.bishop.3@glasgow.ac.uk) if you wish to join this talk and he will send you the Zoom link on the day. We would rather not distribute the link in a general way, thereby (we hope) making Zoom bombing less likely.

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> - 7.00pm for 7.30pm – AGM Baldernock Community Development Trust – Balmore Golf Club Clubhouse Bar.** We hope you can come along to hear briefly about what the Trust has been doing and its plans for the coming year, and then to enjoy a **pub quiz night** in comfort and in good company.

**School and Baldernock Childcare news below.**

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### **Information on the above events and local organisations.**

**School news** - Over the last few months we have been working on our outdoor space to allow us to take even more learning outside. We have an outdoor classroom, a canopied area and a shelter in the main garden. Our next project is to develop the area at the back of the garden where stands the plastic bottle greenhouse. This structure is not fit for purpose, so we are looking to remove it and erect a polytunnel in its place. We want to grow more both inside the tunnel and outside as part of our ever-growing curriculum. **If there is anyone in the community who could support this work in any way, we would be delighted to make links with you.**

Please contact the office on 0141 955 2341.

**Baldernock Childcare** We offer nursery places for 2 - 5-year-olds every day during term time (9am until 2pm) and funding is available from East Dunbartonshire for eligible 2-year-olds and all 3+ year olds. We also provide Afterschool care Monday - Thursday during term time. For enquiries, please contact us on 0141 9552343 or [edbaldernock@glow.org.uk](mailto:edbaldernock@glow.org.uk).

**Baldernock Childcare are recruiting** for a very reliable member of staff who would be available to work in their Afterschool Club (3pm - 6pm) and Nursery (9am - 2pm) term-time only. This position would be as a member of bank/supply staff, who could be called on to cover shifts where an extra member of staff is required. Experience

cover shifts where an extra member of staff is required. Experience of working with children is essential, and ideally the successful person would also have childcare qualifications to level SCQF level 6 or 7 minimum. Candidates would require their own transport as there is no public transport to Baldernock Childcare. Please contact Nicola for further details on either [edbaldernock@glowmail.org.uk](mailto:edbaldernock@glowmail.org.uk) or on 07703 677 977 during working hours (8.45-5.55pm) on weekdays.

**Baldernock Community Council** – The next meeting of the council will be on the 8<sup>th</sup> November via Zoom. This is a short AGM followed by a regular meeting where the community is able to voice their concerns. **We are always looking for new members to join our committee.** Please let us know if this would be of interest. We continue to act on your behalf as a statutory body which looks into local issues, including planning issues, broadband, the current plan of tree planting on farmland, and much more. It was also the launch pad for the Baldernock Tartan, as well as having contact with our **local community policeman.** If you have items for the agenda concerning local issues, please use the email below. To attend this meeting please ask for an invite by emailing [baldernockcc@gmail.com](mailto:baldernockcc@gmail.com)

**Baldernock Community Development Trust** - Saturday 27th November AGM and Pub Quiz at Balmore Golf Club, 7pm for 7.30pm. The AGM will be brief and will be followed by a pub quiz in the comfortable clubhouse bar. All members of the Trust are invited to attend this social event. You can join the Trust as a resident or non-resident member for just £1, on the door or by completing the form found on the Trust web page at: <https://www.baldernock.org.uk/bcdt>

The Trust directors continue to meet monthly online, to progress its varied projects.

Sales are going well of the Baldernock Trust's beautiful 2022 calendar, just £7, with all proceeds to the Trust's funds to benefit the community. If you would like a calendar for yourself or for a gift, please get in touch with Jane at [jp.logan@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jp.logan@yahoo.co.uk) who would also like to remind residents to take lovely photos of Baldernock over the coming seasons for the next one!

With the support of Baldernock and Torrance Community Councils, Baldernock's **broadband** project has now been submitted for government approval, with a decision expected by mid-November. Please get ready to pledge your government vouchers to bring

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There is more information at <https://www.baldernock.org.uk/broadband>. If you have any questions, please contact Lesley at [lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com](mailto:lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com).

Remember that the Trust is a 'Keep Scotland Beautiful Hub' with litter pickers and other equipment for you to borrow for litter picking at any time.

The Church has now re-opened, and the Trust will resume its efforts to make the Church Hall as warm and welcoming a community space as possible and has begun that by clearing out unwanted items that had been taking up a lot of space in the main hall. Come along to November's 'Tartan Tea' (details elsewhere in the newsletter) to enjoy the new space!

Unfortunately, there were very few responses to the **New Youth Club** survey (for young people of secondary age), so the Trust has reluctantly concluded that it will not be feasible to set this up immediately. However, a volunteer has recently come forward to run a Youth Club for primary age children. Watch this space... In the meantime, we hope to organise some occasional events for teenagers such as a Youth Café. If you have any suggestions for such events, or would like to get involved in running them, please contact Lesley at [lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com](mailto:lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com).

Remember that the Trust has a Facebook page that you can use to post news of interest to the community or items to swap or share: <http://www.facebook.com/Baldernock-Community-Development-Trust-147910135888506/>

If you would like to get involved in any of The Trust's projects and activities or to suggest new ones, please get in touch. We would welcome new directors to join the Board at the November AGM. If you would like to join us or find out more, please contact us at [baldernockcdt@gmail.com](mailto:baldernockcdt@gmail.com). You can find more information about the Trust, including summaries of its meetings, on the Baldernock website: <https://www.baldernock.org.uk/bcdt>.

**Police Surgery** – Emma Davidson (Baldernock Community Policeman) and PC Dan Harris (Lennoxton community officer) will be hosting a surgery ("Cuppa with a copper") at the Fells café at the beginning of every month between 11am and 1pm. This is an open invitation to the entire community should they have something they wish to discuss and feel more comfortable in a face-to-face setting. This is open to all EDC residents regardless of where they live this

[This is open to all LDC residents regardless of where they live this location just feels the best.](#)

**Bardowie Tennis Club** - is fully open and welcomes players of any standard - please contact Ron Montgomery on 07584-354775 by text or phone for more information if you are interested in joining and playing outdoor tennis in one of the most unique settings in Scotland!

**Balmore Golf Club** - welcome local residents to join the club as **social members**. There is no charge for this category of membership. Social members have access to the members lounge and restaurant where they will find an excellent choice of dishes from the menu and a varied choice of drinks from our well stocked bar. If this is of interest email the secretary at [baltimoresecretary@btconnect.com](mailto:baltimoresecretary@btconnect.com)

[balmoregolf@btconnect.com](mailto:balmoregolf@btconnect.com).

**Prayers** – some local families and individuals are gathering on-line to pray for our community and beyond. If you would like to join this group or contact them, please email [baldernockprayers@gmail.com](mailto:baldernockprayers@gmail.com)

### ***Points of Contact***

**Email** – Baldernock Community Council [baldernockcc@gmail.com](mailto:baldernockcc@gmail.com)

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