

## ***What's New in Baldernock in February 2023***

### ***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 and Baldernock Trust. If you have something to submit, please email: [baldernockcc@gmail.com](mailto:baldernockcc@gmail.com)

**Baldernock Roads** – our back roads once more suffered due to the burst watermain in Milngavie. Despite frequent requests to the roads department in the past, there seems to have been no action taken to prevent further damage and congestion. Thanks to all those who wrote to the Roads Department.

***Community litter pick – March 25<sup>th</sup> – 10 am – 12 noon.*** A **community café** in the church hall afterwards with soup and sandwiches. Volunteers needed to litter pick and help at the café. Please contact [Jp.logan@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Jp.logan@yahoo.co.uk)

#### ***Dates for your diary***

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> - Baldernock Parish Church – 12 noon** – and all following Sundays. Coffee after the service on 26th Feb . See below for further important information regarding the future of the Church and Church Hall.

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> – The Baldernock Trust:** Sketching Outdoors in Baldernock. All levels of experience and inexperience welcome! For more details and to register your interest for this or any future sketching days please contact local artist Judy Spark at [judithspark@outlook.com](mailto:judithspark@outlook.com).

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> - – ladies that walk will resume.** all welcome and contact Anne Alexander for further details. [handyannie@hotmail.com](mailto:handyannie@hotmail.com)

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February – Torrance and Baldernock Heritage and History Group** Niall Logan will speak on 'The Baldernock Coffin

Roads'. 7.30 pm at the Caldwell Halls, Torrance, 6.45 for tea and coffee and biscuits. Please bring £2 to cover costs.

***Further information on the above events.***

**Baldernock Community Council** – next meeting March 13<sup>th</sup> in the Church Hall, Balmore. Please see minutes of our previous meeting on the Baldernock website. Do contact us with your concerns. [baldernockcc@gmail.com](mailto:baldernockcc@gmail.com)

**Baldernock Teen cafe/Youth club** - The Baldernock Trust are looking for expressions of interest from anyone who would be interested in working at a local youth club/teen cafe. This would be a paid position and would involve overseeing a monthly or fortnightly evening club/cafe for teenagers who live in or have a connection to Baldernock. No experience is necessary. You would be required to join the PVG scheme (Disclosure Scotland). Please contact [thebaldernocktrust@gmail.com](mailto:thebaldernocktrust@gmail.com) for further details.

**Community Events calendar** – see below under BT.

**Baldernock Childcare** - is open during the school term-time and provides nursery places for 2 - 5-year-olds every day from 9am until 2pm. Funding is available from East Dunbartonshire for eligible 2-year-olds and all 3+ year olds. We also offer Afterschool care to school age children. For enquiries, please contact 0141 9552343 or [edbaldernock@glow.org.uk](mailto:edbaldernock@glow.org.uk).

**The Baldernock Trust - Better Broadband for Baldernock**  
Baldernock's Community Fibre Partnership (CFP) project is progressing with some work already underway in parts of the community. Openreach will soon give a presentation and answer questions about all of the work to be undertaken over the next six months. Details to follow. In the meantime, please contact Lesley at [lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com](mailto:lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com) or on 07810698678 if you have questions. There's a list of all of the addresses included in the CFP, and more information about the project, on the Baldernock website at <https://www.baldernock.org.uk/broadband>.

**Better community facilities in Baldernock** The Baldernock Trust has been helping to make the Church Hall in Balmore a more welcoming space for community events. It has also been exploring ideas for a new nursery building at the school (see Better Community Space in Baldernock at (<https://www.baldernock.org.uk/thetrust>): the Trust awaits communication from EDC following a meeting with senior members

of EDC's Early Years team and will share any proposals with the community as soon as possible.

**Online calendar of events** To help co-ordinate and publicise community events, The Trust has set up an online, shared calendar which anyone organising a local event is invited to use. Please contact Kate for details: [katemenzies1@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:katemenzies1@yahoo.co.uk).

**New projects?** The Trust is keen to support local active travel initiatives and any other projects that would benefit the community. For example, it is currently exploring a scheme that might allow it to purchase electric bikes for community use. If you would like to suggest projects or activities, please get in touch at [thebaldernocktrust@gmail.com](mailto:thebaldernocktrust@gmail.com). If you would like to join The Trust or its board of directors, please get in touch at [thebaldernocktrust@gmail.com](mailto:thebaldernocktrust@gmail.com). For more information about The Baldernock Trust please check out our Facebook page or our content on the Baldernock website at <https://www.baldernock.org.uk/thetrust>.

**Baldernock Parish Church** - The Church of Scotland's provisional Presbytery Plan has earmarked both the Church Hall and the Church for closure under a proposal that St Paul's in Milngavie and Baldernock should form a union based at and using the church buildings in Milngavie. The Kirk Session oppose this proposal and will continue to argue for the current link to remain in place, for the appointment of a new minister to both churches to be progressed and for both churches to be given a reasonable period of time, post the minister being in place, to find a solution which ensure the continuing availability of a place of worship and community space in the Parish. The revised Plan will be published on 1 March and thereafter debated and voted on in mid March. It is unlikely that any final decisions will be made for some time, but it is an unsettling time for all in the community. If you wish to know more please approach the Session Clerk Mr Jamie Marr, or any elder. 5th February – Rev Barbara O'Donnell, 12th February – Rev D Hamilton, 19th February – Bob McKinnon 26th February – Rev Tina Kemp.

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**Bardowie Tennis Club** please contact Ron Montgomery on 07584-354775 by text or phone for more information.

**Helpful site to report fraud – national Fraud and Cyber Crime Reporting Centre 03001232040**

**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)

**Facebook** – Baldernock Trust – including the **Trusts Swop and Share Facility** [baldernockcdt@gmail.com](mailto:baldernockcdt@gmail.com)

**Twitter** - @Baldernock

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