

WHAT'S NEW IN BALDERNOCK in December 2020 - Baldernock Community Council

Content – Help required and available, Church services, EDC Local Development Plan, Baldernock Childcare, Baldernock Community Council, Baldernock Amenity Society, Baldernock Community Development Trust, Baldernock Local History Group, Baldernock Tartan, Keep Scotland Beautiful.

www.baldernock.org.uk – providing information on all aspects of Baldernock. If you have something to submit, please email: baldernockcc@gmail.com If you would like to be involved in updating the website, please get in touch. ***Baldernock Tartan for Christmas – see below!***

Local Help – As we look towards Christmas and beyond please be aware that there are those in the community willing to help others with delivering shopping and picking up medication. Please feel free to contact us through baldernockcc@gmail.com

Springburn Foodbank – Special request at present for toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo and soap etc. The box for Springburn Foodbank remains at the entrance to Solid Rock Cycles, at Colbeg on the Balmore Road.

The Lodging House Mission working with the homeless in Glasgow – please support through buying Christmas cards - www.charitycardsonline.com/lhm or telephone (details below)

Dates for your Diary – further details of these events below.

Mondays to Fridays – Baldernock Childcare – details below – plus urgent request for a joiner!

Tonight! – AGM of Baldernock Community Development Trust – details below-contact lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com

Sunday 6th – and following Sundays Baldernock Parish Church – services can be heard via their web-site <http://www.stpaulsmilngavie.org.uk>

Monday 14th – Baldernock Community Council -East Dunbartonshire Proposed Local Development Plan 2– Zoom

Dunbartonshire Proposed Local Development Plan 2– Zoom meeting at 7.30 to discuss this plan which includes sites in Baldernock for Development. Please email baldernockcc@gmail.com should you wish an invite to this meeting.

Ladies that walk await the lifting of restrictions!

Information on the above events and local organisations.

Baldernock Childcare - We are desperately seeking a **skilled joiner** to help us achieve our dreams of building a new playhouse for our children. We were lucky enough to receive a donation from the Co-op Local Cause Scheme so we have purchased the playhouse and it has been delivered to the nursery garden, however, due to the octagonal shape it is proving tricky to put together! We are happy to pay someone who could do this for us, however, any discounts for our small charity would be much appreciated! Please do not hesitate to contact us if you or anyone you know would be able to help us. Contact details: edbaldernock@glowmail.org.uk / 0141 9552343 / 07703677977.

Thank you!

Baldernock Community Council – This has been a busy time for the council over the planned Synetiq site (details in the September Newsletter) The council have persisted in pursuing EDC for clarification on this planning application. They have also been active in keeping the Polling Station local and in jointly looking at the provision of broadband in the area. Please contact baldernockcc@gmail.com for further information or any concerns you may have.

Baldernock Amenity Society - East Dunbartonshire Council (EDC) is developing the Local Development Plan2 for the area. EDC is inviting representation from local residents and interested groups on the plan. Representations can be made until 15 January, 2021. **Baldernock Amenity Society will be sending out a guide soon about making representation to EDC.**

Baldernock Community Development Trust - BCDT's AGM will be held via zoom on Monday 30th November, at 7.30pm, which all BCDT members are warmly invited to attend. If you would like to become a member of BCDT please complete the application form at <https://www.baldernock.org.uk/bcdt> where you will also find more information about the Trust and its activities.

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The second BCDT **Baldernock calendar** (2021) will have an emphasis on photographs reflecting farming – please send your photos to Jane at jp.logan@yahoo.co.uk

Free native tree and hedging plants will be provided to BCDT by the Woodland Trust for planting on community held land or private land that is accessible to the public with permission of landowners. If you have any ideas about where these could be planted by the community please contact Alison at alison@hazell.org.uk

BCDT is a **Keep Scotland Beautiful Community Hub** with equipment for litter picks available at any time for residents to clean up their local area: contact Jane at jp.logan@yahoo.co.uk. Please send details of any litter picking you do (with or without use of the equipment) to Jane to pass on to Keep Scotland Beautiful.

East Dunbartonshire East/West Active Travel Campaign hopes, with the support of BCDT, to obtain funding early next year to explore opportunities to link Baldernock with other local areas in a continuous loop for cyclists, walkers etc. For more information, contact Ros at tofk@btinternet.com

Ceit Langhorne's live online storytelling event, hosted by BCDT, was much enjoyed by all who participated. The community 'good deed' resulting from this event is to donate food to a local food bank – there is a drop-off box located at the entrance to Colbeg Farm, Balmore.

Baldernock's Community Fibre Partnership with Openreach, supported by BCDT and Baldernock Community Council, is intended to resolve broadband issues across Baldernock. If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, please contact Lesley at lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com

BCDT notes that there is currently a Scottish Government consultation on the environment, natural resources and agriculture to which all are welcome to respond: <https://consult.gov.scot/environment-forestry/resasstrategy2022>

A new nursery/after school care building is an ambitious BCDT project that is progressing slowly in collaboration with Baldernock Childcare. For more information or to offer to help, please contact baldernockcdt@gmail.com.

Enhancement of facilities at the Church Hall is another important BCDT project. A visit to the hall had been made by Directors to determine what work should be considered as a priority and could

be undertaken in agreement with the Church. For more information or to offer to help, please contact baldernockcdt@gmail.com.

A swap and share facility is provided to all Baldernock residents seeking specific items (from a football to a sideboard) or looking for a good home for items they no longer need (from a board game to a greenhouse) at Baldernock Community Development Trust's Facebook page.

There is more information about BCDT and its activities at <https://www.baldernock.org.uk/bcdt>. BCDT has now become a full member of the Development Trusts Association Scotland (DTAS).

Baldernock Local History Group - BLHG will resume in January with an online talk on Zoom from Paul Bishop; more details in the January Newsletter. Till then, Niall and I wish you all a happy, healthy and peaceful Christmas.

Baldernock Tartan - Following feedback from recent newsletters, we are very close to having our very own Baldernock tartan woven, hopefully, in time for Christmas. Most interest is for throws and stoles so these will be the initial items for sale, in a lovely brushed lambswool weave. Throws at £80 and stoles (half the size of a throw) at £40. Material also available at £35 per metre.

Other items will be considered and produced at a later date. If you are interested in buying a throw, stole or cloth, please contact: fionahowie@btinternet.com or loganniall@yahoo.co.uk

Keep Scotland Beautiful community hub - If you have picked up any litter at all (even a crisp packet) or reported any fly tipping in the past month, could you please let Jane know ASAP. The Scottish Government needs data returned to justify the investment in equipment distributed to the hubs so we need something to put on the data sheets!

Lodging House Mission – contacts for Christmas Cards - A summary of the alternatives is noted below. Call Helen English on 0141 552 0285 to request a brochure or place an order. Email enquiries@lhm-glasgow.org.uk Write to Lodging House Mission, 35 East Campbell Street, Glasgow, G1 5DT Order online at www.charitycardsonline.com/lhm This link also appears on both Facebook and our web page.

Prayers – some local families and individuals are gathering together 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

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Points of Contact

Email – Baldernock Community Council baldernockcc@gmail.com

Facebook – Baldernock Community Development Trust – including the **Trusts Swop and Share Facility** baldernockcdt@gmail.com

Twitter - @Baldernock

Note from Editor - *Baldernock Community Council collects, uses and stores personal data such as names, addresses and emails, in order to pursue the community objectives set out in our constitution and to keep you informed of community news and activities. All personal data will be kept securely and we will inform you in advance of any data which will be shared with others.*

Minutes of a Community Council meeting are considered a public record and will be made publicly available and archived. Other documentation presented at meetings may also be treated in this way.

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