What's New in Baldernock in March 2023 Baldernock Community Council

<u>www.baldernock.org.uk</u> – 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: <u>baldernockcc@gmail.com</u>

Community litter pick – Saturday March 25th – 10 am – 12 noon – litter pickers, tabards, and bags can be collected from the church hall. Please join us. A community café will be open in the church hall afterwards with soup, sandwiches, and cakes. To volunteer help, or offer soup or baking for the community café please contact Lesley at lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com or on 07810698678.

Dates for your diary

Friday 3rd – 2 pm – Baldernock Church joins with Torrance and St.Dominics Torrance, for the ecumenical **World Day of Prayer** in Torrance Parish Church. All Welcome – followed by tea and coffee.

Friday 3rd – 'First Friday' Gathering at the Golf Club, 6.30pm-10.00pm. On the first Friday of every month Balmore Golf Club bar will be open to all Baldernock residents. Families welcome. Please come along to meet up with your friends and neighbours in the warm, comfortable and well-stocked bar of the golf club which is located at the heart of our community. For more information please contact Lesley on <u>lesley.wiseman@hotmail.com</u> or on 07810698678.

Sunday 5th - Baldernock Parish Church – 12 noon – and all following Sundays. Tea and Coffee after the service on the last Sunday of the Month. Please note after this service there will be a meeting to discuss the revised draft Clyde Presbytery Plan and the impact of this on Baldernock Parish Church and the Hall. If you are concerned about the future of the Church locally please come are concerned about the future of the Church locally please come along on 5th March to hear first hand what has been proposed by Presbytery.

Saturday 18th – Ladies that Walk – further details to follow. All welcome and please contact <u>handyannie@hotmail.com</u> if you would like to join the group.

Sunday 26th March – 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.

Monday $27^{th} - 7.30 \text{ pm}$ -Torrance and Baldernock heritage and history group - Brian Skillen –Mining and Geology in East Dunbartonshire and surrounding districts. Caldwell Halls, Torrance. £2 entry.

Further information on the above events.

Baldernock Community Council – next meeting March 13th 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

Roads – a useful site for checking on Road closures. <u>https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/residents/roads-pavements-and-parking/scheduled-road-closures-and-road-works</u>

Baldernock Trust - Better Broadband for Baldernock UPDATE FROM OPENREACH: "Openreach had intended to make a presentation to the community about the project rollout but Openreach engineers have been speaking to so many Baldernock and Torrance residents in recent weeks that they feel such a presentation is now no longer necessary. Build is now well underway with the first premises now imminently having access to the ultrafast network. You will notice a vast Openreach presence throughout the community as they strive towards completing the full build by this summer.

A massive thank you to everybody who has validated their voucher. If you have not done this yet, please check your inbox and follow the instructions detailed in the email from DCMS. Reminders have been issued to those still pending validation last week. The FCP lead from Openreach, Stephen Chambers, will be in touch with those that are pending validation over the coming weeks to offer his those that are pending validation over the coming weeks to offer his assistance.

If you wish to pledge a voucher towards the project you still can by visiting https://www.openreach.com/connectmycommunity and providing your postcode which will check your voucher eligibility. If you are eligible then you can provide your contact details and Openreach will arrange for a voucher to be distributed to your nominated email address.

An update will be provided soon detailing all of the addresses that can now order service. This update will also focus on the details for ordering ultrafast broadband and what is included within the install process."

Please contact Lesley at 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.

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 for further details.

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 Baldernock 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. New projects to benefit Baldernock? The Baldernock Trust is keen to support local active travel initiatives and any other projects that

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. If you would like to join The Trust or its board of directors, please get in touch at 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 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.

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 Centre03001232040

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 <u>baldernockprayers@gmail.com</u>

Points of Contact Email – Baldernock Community Council <u>baldernockcc@gmail.com</u>

Facebook – Baldernock Trust – including the Trusts Swop and Share Facility <u>baldernockcdt@gmail.com</u>

Twitter - @Baldernock

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