



WELCOME TO THE BEACON CHRISTMAS EDITION

Once more we find ourselves limited in our Christmas activities, with so many events not happening, or at least not in the manner we're used to. Thankfully the Christmas parade went off well and a great time was had by all. Even the weather behaved itself. Congratulations and thanks to the gala committee for organising this event and of course the tree.

We have again organised two competitions for the community: an art competition for children of primary age and illumination competition which the whole family can join in. Details are in this issue. We're interested in what you have to say regarding your community and an opportunity is given to do so in letters to the editor.

If you know someone who is unable to access 'The Beacon' please consider printing a copy for them and popping it through their door.

Please stay safe and have a great Christmas and New Year.

Brian Elder
Chair, Chryston Community Council

PLANNING NEWS

There are a couple of items of note on the planning front this edition. The resubmitted application for the site behind the current Muirhead Clinic is still under consideration by the planning department after initially being rejected on appeal by the reporter. We can only imagine there is work still being done addressing the reasons for rejecting the original application so it can be recommended by the planning department for approval.

Of applications outwith our direct area there are multiple phases in Gartcosh going ahead while the long-standing condition of the previous NLC development plan of a service station at the Hornshill Junction has been submitted.

Lastly, with the new Chryston Primary School receiving approval, the expectation is that works will proceed through 2022 before completing some time in 2023.

OUR 'BEST FRONT GARDEN COMPETITION 2021' WINNERS

Chryston Community Council once again ran a Best Front Garden Competition and the winners are pictured below.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Ours thanks go to all those who took part and who put in so much effort to enhance our villages at a time when we can be really fed up and need a bit of cheer. Once more our thanks go to **Bellway Homes** for very kindly sponsoring this event.



1ST: MS RITA LANGRIDGE, 65 PEATHILL AVENUE



2ND: MR RAYMOND MARSHAL, 198 CUMBERNAULD ROAD



3RD: MS LAVERY, 9 LILYBANK AVENUE

Chryston Community Council

CHRISTMAS COMPETITIONS

CHRISTMAS ILLUMINATIONS COMPETITION 2021

Winter is upon us, dark nights are here and social events are cancelled or at risk but Christmas approaches so let's try to brighten things up.

We're running a competition for the best illuminated/decorated FRONT garden and house in our areas (Chryston, Mollinsburn, Crowwood, Mount Ellen and Muirhead). Imaginative window displays, lighting your house like the proverbial Christmas tree, garden dioramas... do anything you want, we only ask that it's visible to the public.

GOOD LUCK AND HAVE FUN!

1st PRIZE - £100! 2nd - £50! 3rd - £25!

To enter email:

chrystoncommunity+competitions@gmail.com
including name and address.

Put 'Christmas Illuminations' in your subject heading. Competition closes on Wednesday 8 December, winners will be announced on Tuesday 21 December.

For more information email
chrystoncommunitycouncil@gmail.com
or phone 07548 243272.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:

Chryston Community Council and Allanwater Homes reserve the right to photograph the winning home for use in publicity material. Judges' decisions will be final. Homes can either be nominated by the householders or by others. If others, those nominating MUST receive the permission of the householder beforehand.

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PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS ART COMPETITION

OPEN TO ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN LIVING IN CHRYSTON, MUIRHEAD, MOUNT ELLEN, CROWWOOD OR MOLLINSBURN.

There are two categories, P1-3 and P4-7, and the subject is 'The Christmas story.' Entries can be any medium, and should be at least A4, but no larger than A3. It will have to be photographed and e-mailed to the address below.

Good luck and have fun!

PRIZES IN EACH CATEGORY:

1st PRIZE - £75! 2nd - £50! 3rd - £25!

To enter email:

chrystoncommunity+artcompetition@gmail.com
with name, address, age and school year. Put 'Christmas Art' in your subject heading. Competition closes on Monday 6 December, winners will be announced on Tuesday 21 December. For more information email chrystoncommunitycouncil@gmail.com or phone 07548 243272.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:

Chryston Community Council, Simpson Optometrist and Callan & Co Solicitors & Notaries reserve the right to use photographs of the winning artworks in publicity material. Judges' decisions will be final.

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CALLAN & Co SOLICITORS & NOTARIES



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CROWWOOD?

The following is an extract from Scottish Water's site

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Scottish Water is investing £2.2 million in Chryston to help reduce the risk of sewer flooding. The work will tackle the issue by increasing the capacity of the local sewer network. The project is being delivered by Scottish Water's alliance partner **amey binnies** and is due for completion in spring 2022.

WHAT WE ARE DOING

The work involves the upsizing of over 300m of sewer pipe, with an underground storm tank being installed in a grassed area south of Crowwood Terrace. A short stretch of Crowwood Terrace and Crowwood Road will be closed for the duration of the project. A diversion will be in place via Laurelbank Road.

When new pipework is being installed along the A80, a short stretch of road will be reduced to one lane westbound for around 3 months (exact dates yet to be confirmed). The pathway along this stretch will be closed and a temporary walkway set up to allow safe passage and maintain access by foot.

WHY WE ARE DOING THIS

The area has previously been affected by sewer flooding. This work will increase the capacity of the local waste water network and will provide extra storage during times of heavy rainfall.

LATEST UPDATES (AUGUST)

Work is progressing well, with approximately 40% of the main pump chamber works having been done - see the photo above. In addition to the main pump chamber, we still have around 120m of inlet pipe and 200m of rising main to be installed.

The project team will continue to liaise with local residents and help minimise any disruption where possible. In order to help minimise disruption from noise, work will not begin before 8am each day.



NCCV UPDATE

What's happening with the Northern Corridor Community Volunteers?

As the seasons change so does the weekly work the group will be undertaking. After a final tidy up of the community growing areas, the volunteers have been out maintaining wildflower areas in the villages. You might have wondered about the people wandering around the village with scythes, was that just for Halloween? Well, no, but a big thank you to everyone who did come out and make our Halloween walk in the Glen another sell-out success. Rather than use petrol powered strimmers, which need a lot of maintenance and use fossil fuel, we have switched to hand scything which remarkably can be powered by cake or biscuits!

WINTER PLANS

Through the winter months we'll also be planting out bulbs for the spring and planting more trees at the new woodland in Crowwood. Any groups or individuals who would like to get involved please drop us an email at nccvols@outlook.com

The same applies to anyone who would like to get involved in our Saturday 'Wild about Woods' events in the Glen, the schedule varies between forest school style events for young people to nature walks so there should be something for everyone.

Lastly we're still meeting on Wednesdays and Fridays at the Community Garden on Lorn Ave between 11 and 1 o'clock. We'll be building more raised beds through the winter, holding crafting events, more bike maintenance classes and looking at ways the community can reduce their carbon footprint through active travel, repair and recycling, avoiding food waste and sourcing more food locally. Everyone is welcome and the projects are led by local people so drop by for a cuppa and give us your ideas. Home baking is always very welcome!



KIRKINTILLOCH KELVIN BRASS

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

with guests KIRKINTILLOCH YOUTH BAND

Friday 10th December 2021

7.30pm

Chryston Parish Church

Main Street

Chryston



Tickets £10 under 12's FREE

Tickets are available at the door or online using the web address below or scanning the QR code

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/kirkintilloch-kelvin-brass>



find us on Facebook - KirkintillochKelvinBrass



DEFIBRILLATOR

We'd like to remind everyone that a defibrillator is available at the office of **Stepps and Moodiesburn Cars** on Cumbernauld Road.

THE BEACON COMMUNITY FUND

Following the winding up of our community bus and shop, Chryston Community Council has created a new fund which will be available to assist organisations and individuals within the areas covered by our council: **Mount Ellen, Chryston, Muirhead, Crowwood & Mollinsburn.**

This fund is separate from any funds granted by NLC for the running of the Community Council. The fund will be managed by a small committee, separate from, but responsible to the Community Council and made up of Council members.

HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT

The funds available are limited and consequently the grants will also be limited.

If you're involved with any organisation or know where there is a need within our communities, full details and an application form can be obtained by email from chrystoncommunity@gmail.com or by calling 07548 243272.

The information will also be available early in 2022 on our website. To keep up to date why not subscribe to the Beacon (details below) or visit our website: www.chrystoncommunitycouncil.org.uk

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

If there's anything you'd like us to consider for the next issue, or if you'd like to write a letter to the editor, please email us at beacon@chrystoncommunitycouncil.org.uk

*We'd like to wish everyone
a VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR!*



SOME USEFUL CONTACTS

BUSINESS GROUP

Chryston & Muirhead Business Community
chrystonmuirheadbc.org.uk
Meets on the first Tuesday of each month.

CHURCHES

Chryston Parish Church (Church of Scotland)
105-109 Main Street, Chryston, G69 9LA
0141 779 4188. www.chrystonparishchurch.co.uk
Minister: Mark Malcolm

Chryston United Free Church of Scotland
7 Church Road, Muirhead, G69 9EB. 07815 954792
www.facebook.com/Chrystonuf

St Barbara's RC Church

Elmira Road, Muirhead, G69 9EJ. 0141 779 2286
stbarbara@rcdom.org.uk
Priest: Father Kenny Campbell

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL SERVICES

WINTER SERVICES:

www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/winter-services/

REPORT A STREET OR ROAD FAULT:

www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/roads-streetlighting-and-parking/report-a-roads-streetlighting-or-parking-problem

DOCTORS' SURGERIES

Jamieson Medical Practice

2 Cliffvale Road, Chryston, G69 9DW.
0141 779 2228. www.jamiesonmedical.co.uk

Nalagatla Medical Practice

110 Cumbernauld Road, Muirhead, G69 9AA
0141 779 2017.

POLICE

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