BARONY PARISH CHURCH

List 5

Complicated building history from 1470 to C20. 1470 rectangular nave forms core of church, built in coursed rubble with ashlar dressings; 2-stage tower, with set off, added at W in 1490. Nave and tower both with later saw-tooth skews; birdcage bellcote at apex of tower gable, possibly mid C18, has similarly detailed pyramidal roof. All other extensions have crowstepped gables. 1597 SE aisle built for Sir John Cunninghame of Glengarnock Castle; later, heavily moulded mullioned and transomed window with crest in panel above. 1642 Crawford aisle added at the NE, has paired lancet window to gallery. To the E of the Crawford aisle a transept and entrance were added in 1903-05, Charles S S Johnston, Edinburgh, architect.

Low door at left. Shallow advanced gable to E, tripartite with raised central light to gallery, the latter with mouldings imitating the Cunninghame aisle window. At E, small drum stair tower with projecting entrance and a window breaking through the moulded eaves. 1910 organ chamber, C S S Johnston, added to NW of Cuninghame aisle, continuing the details of that aisle. Slate roofs throughout.

Interior: Crawford gallery c.1705 for 1st Viscount Garnock. Laird's loft with elaborate Renaissance detailing; gallery supported on Roman Doric columns. Bowed gallery front with paired Corinthian engaged columns dividing blind arcade; elaborate coats-of-arms depicting the family lineage under each arch; Corinthian columned screen divides gallery, bold box cornice with highly decorative modillion cornice. Canopy supported on giant Corinthian columns. Pulpit mainly C18, incorporating earlier details, panelled pine with reading desk supported on brackets with carved faces; baptismal basin with wrought iron bracket; panelled rear screen with 2 Ionic pilasters supporting entablature surmounted by Crawford and Lindsay arms in foliated design. Above, large oak, pedimented sounding board, probably C17, with carved angel, cherubs, foliage, thistle and rose. Ladyland pew, part oak, part pine, with delicate balustrade incorporates late C17 and early C18 carving; bracketed hood with elaborate scrolls and pediment with acroterion. 1903-1905 balcony, linking Crawford gallery to south wall and inserted when seating was re-organised, is fronted with trades and crafts panels in style similar to gallery.

Rubble-built Cemetery walls enclose some early tombstones and the rectangular Crawford tomb of 1594 which houses recumbent effigies of Thomas Crawford of Jordanhill and his wife Janet Ker of Kersland. Refs: Hay, pp 30,187,189,193,197,198,216. C&DA, v, 200-201. HR690/2 HR690/3 HR690/4. Pont, pp 233-234. A.

Jones

W Gerald Jones, "The Auld Kirk of Kilbirnie: an abbreviated History", 1985. Photocopy herewith. [and also earlier pamphlet history, also photocopied herewith]

Lauchland

is John Lauchland, Kilbirnie Auld Kirk: A History, Kilbirnie, 2000. Has on p3-4, a sketch plan of the church with dates of alterations, additions, &c.

Hay

Less Gothic than [Oldhamstocks] is the 1597 Glengarnock Aisle at Kilbirnie. Of ashlar, it has a crowstepped gable and a moulded rectangular window with mullion and transom but is completely recast internally. [30]

At Kilbirnie is a remarkable pulpit, the lower part and backboard of which are of classical design and carried out in pine. This is surmounted by a coved cornice in which appear the impaled arms of Crawford and Lindsay and above is a large pediment panel on which

are carved foliaceous designs, cherubs, birds and serpents and a strange angelic figure bearing a palm or olive branch. This superstructure is of oak and of much earlier date than the remainder of the pulpit, though its significance is far from obvious. It is clear, however, that the pulpit as it standsis a synthesis of late date [187]

Typical wrought iron brackets (for the baptismal basin) of good design (are) at Fort George, Kilbirnie, Livingston, Loth, Pencaitland, Spott and Tongue. [189]

At Kilbirnie we encounter Scotland's *tour de force* in laird's lofts. It was erected about 1705 by the 1st Viscount Garnock in front of the 1642 family aisle. In an elaborate setting of columns, entablatures and other renaissance details, competently executed in oak, the genealogy of the family is depicted by a wealth of armorial bearings, carved and decorated. [193]

The Ladyland pew at Kilbirnie [a canopied seat, one of only 4 in Scotland - others at Burntisland 1606, Lyne 1644 and Scone 1616] is a hybrid piece, part pine and part oak - a synthesis of late C17 and early C18 fragments. [198]

The rendering of armorial bearings and trade and craft emblems in their appropriate tinctures was a firmly established tradition in the post-Reformation kirk interior. Good examples are still in evidence in the laird's loft at Abercorn, Bowden, Golspie and Kilbirnie, and the loft fronts and magistrates pews at Burntisland. [216]

ASH, F 28.10.1887, 2c — ".. it is a plain edifice, possessing no architectural features of importance. the chief interest attaching to the building is found in the elaborate carvings in wood with which portions of its interior are ornamented. These are probably unique in Scotland. The gallery in the Crawford Aisle in particular is a perfect mass of beautiful carved work, reflecting very considerable credit on the artist who designed it. It is supposed to have been executed by the orders of John, first Viscount Garnock, the escutcheon of whose arms (impaled with those of his wife Margaret, only daughter of John, First Earl of Bute) accompanied by 16 other coats, being those of his ancestors and ancestresses in the fourth degree, appear along its front. The gallery had been allowed to fall into a state of neglect and disrepair, but recently Mr James Knox, the new owner of Kilbirnie Castle, had it thoroughly restored in excellent taste, and it is now likely to remain an ornament to the district for many years".

Clouston — 1753 bell, Ioannus Milne, Edinburgh.

AA 15.6.1854 — Thorough repairs: Conts: Robert Snodgrass, Beith.

AA 19.7.1883 — Reopened Sunday last after repairs.

AA 15.9.1892 — Reopened last Sunday after 3 months extensive additions and alterations.

Lauchland, 37-41 — Extension plans by **Charles S S Johnston** approved by Heritors at meeting 26.6.1899. Main contractors were **James Crawford**, Kilbirnie, mason, and **Robert Craig**, Glengarnock, joiner.

TT, F 2.6.1899, 1b — The Heritors are to meet 21st June to discuss, inter alia, extension s and alterations to the church, including the re-positioning of the pulpit. Plans of Charles S S Johnstone. Also a request from the Parish Council to make an entrance into the new cemetery from the kirkyard.

TT, F 30.6.1899, 3ef — Heritors have approved plans for alterations.

AA 29.6.1899 — To be enlarged to plans of Charles S S Johnstone, architect, Edinburgh.

AA 13.8.1903 — Reopened last Sunday after extensive additions and alterations: Mr Stevenson [sic], Edinburgh.

ASH F 14.8.1903, 5hi	Reopened last Sunday after additions and alterations, including new transept on N side. **Charles S S Johnston**, Edinburgh, architect. [His sketch of N elevation is in ASH 21.8.1903 8ef]
BI 15/178 January 1905	Repairs to Parish Church. Architect, John McLelland, Kilbirnie. [Also in AA 12.1.1905: tenders - repairs - JMcL]
AA 2.8.1906	20 new panels in fronts of north and west galleries, mostly symbolic of the occupation of the donors, but one is Gothic, and another the 'New Art'. Oak. Cabinet work - Robert Craig, Glengarnock. Carving - Messrs John Fisher & Sons, Glasgow.
Lauchland, 43-46	The Gallery Panels. The donors are named: the rightmost was donated by C S S Johnston, and has the badge of the Grand Architect in Scottish Freemasonry.
AA 3.2.1910	Memorial to James Allan recently installed. Circular bronze medallion portrait, encircled by a carved aok laurel wreath with thistles on either side of an heavy modelled bronze plate below. Portrait medallion modelled by swedish sculptor Olsen. Concept and design: joint work of Stephen Adam FSAScot and his partner Alf A Webster, Glasgow.
AA 23.3.1911	A new organ has been placed in a specially built chamber west of the Glengarnock Aisle.
B 22.6.1923, v124, n4194, p1018	War Memorial by James Houston illustrated. oak. Designed and detailed in Renaissance in keeping with the C17 woodwork of the church.
Lauchland, 153-156	Restoration, October 1990 - March 1995. **Simpson & Brown**, Edinburgh, architects (**John Sanders**, job architect)
RCAHMS,	Drawing of Craufurd Gallery by James Houston.
STAINED GLASS	
Lauchland, 33	4 windows of c.1896 in Glengarnock Aisle. Bleieved to be from an English studio.
Lauchland, 33	3 windows in east gable, in memory of Bryce M Knox. 1926, **James Ballantyne**.
Lauchland, 3435	1938 window in north wall, west gallery, is in memory of James Crawford, mason. Subject is St Brendan.
Lauchland, 33-34	1948 War Memorial window in east gable. Designed by **Sydney Holmes** and executed by **Guthrie & Wells**.
Lauchland, 33	Girls Guild window, 1958, in Glengarnock Aisle. **Guthrie & Wells**.
Lauchland, 34	window in west gable, in memory of Rev Pitcairn Hill. 1959, design and execution by **Gordon Webster**.
Lauchland, 34	Windows on ground floor of north wall. One window (Lamb of God) came from Glengarnock Church. Holy Spirit is c.1970, and the work of **Arthur Spiers**.
nr	Windows. William C Jameson & Spouse, †† 1890,1892. [nd stained glass for Kilbirnie, Sydney Holmes, Peoples Palace]
CHURCHYARD	
List 1 [repeat of above]	Rubble-built Cemetery walls enclose some early tombstones and the rectangular Crawford tomb of 1594 which houses recumbent effigies of Thomas Crawford of Jordanhill and his wife Janet Ker of Kersland.
ASH. Sa 28.6.1873, 8a	Death (17.6.1873) of **John Logan**, sculptor, Beith, aged 49. The monument by him in Kilbirnie Graveyard to his brother William "a man of chaste literary tastes, and which now graces the Kilbirnie Graveyard, is a specimen of art that will vie with anything of the kind in the West of Scotland".
CRAWFORD MAUSOLEUM	
ASH, F 28.10.1887, 2c	"The most interesting object in the churchyard is the 'stately tomb' which forms the last resting-place of the gallant Captain Thomas Crawford of Jordanhill whose capture of Dumbarton Castle in 1571 is one of the most daring feats recorded in history; but there are several

other curious monuments, and a considerable time was spent in examining these".

AA 10.4.1890 — Crawford Mausoleum, described in detail in Transactions of Ayr & Wigtown Arch Soc., 1880, is presently being restored. Work superintended by Mr Charles S S Johnston, architect, Edinburgh.

Kilbirnie Cuttings, 21 — ASH, 8.4.1890. Now being restored: *Charles S S Johnston*, architect

ASH F 14.8.1903, 5hi — [Reopening of church after additions and alterations]. Names Johnston as architect for restoration of the Mausoleum "a few years ago".

ILLUSTRATIONS

ASH, F 19.9.1958, 4def — No 82 in Picturesque Ayrshire series, by J Brian Crossland. PHOTOCOPY herewith.

MANSE

ASH, Sa 9.7.1870, 1a — Contractors - repairs to Manse. Details: --- Jack, Beith, builder.

EAST FREE CHURCH — See ST COLUMBA'S

EAST FREE CHURCH MANSE, Ladyland Road (i.e Dipple Road, outwith special districts in 1950s)

Ewing — 1845

CO3/12/4/3 BBC 5.6.1902 — Additions to UF Manse, Glengarnock; Robert Smith, Beith. [? This building ??]

ACC Planning, A4353 — January 1952. Alterations, East Church Manse, Ladyland Road, for Fleming.

GOOD TEMPLARS' HALL

AA 10.1.1878 — is being built, in brick, adjoining Low & Orr's fishing net factory. Architect: William Ramsay, Dalry.

AA 31.10.1878 — Formally opened last Friday. Plain Gothic.

EG 12598, F 12.9.1913, 974b — Thistle Lodge of Free Gardeners, being dissolved, meet in Templars; Hall.

GOSPEL HALL, School Wynd

AA 22.4.1897 — Christian Brethren Gospel Hall opened last Saturday. Brick and stone; substantial building.

DKH, F 23.4.1897, 5e — Formally opened with a conference on "The Person and the Work of the Holy Spirit." Brick and stone.

Kinniburgh & Burke, 87 — Formally opened 17th April 1897.

ACC Planning, 1094 — August 1938, alterations.

ACC Planning, A2335 — May 1950. Heating Chamber, Gospel Hall; **James Houston**, for Christian Brethren.

ACC Planning, B1380 — June 1957. Porch (and loo, amendment of 1960), Gospel Hall; James Houston & Son, for Christian Brethren.

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN — See St COLUMBA'S CHURCH HALL

ST BRIGIDS CHURCH

Groome, after 1892, 356 — 1862

Shaw — [R C Church] 1862.

Kinniburgh & Burke, 85 — Formally opened 11th May 1862

Aspinwall, 78 — Organ added in 1875-87.

CO3/12/4/22 3.11.1921 — Additions: W R Watson, architect, Glasgow.

ACC Planning, A8619 — May 1955. Additions and alterations; James Houston, for Trustees.

Kinniburgh & Burke, 85 — Restoration formally opened 2nd June 1957. It includes an extension to the west (sanctuary and sacristy), and a new baptistery and one-door porch. Work of *James Houston*.

Centenary Brochure [photocopy in McTaggart, Kilbirnie]

"Modest Gothic structure with a plain exterior."

ST BRIGIDS [R C] CHURCH HALL

CO3/12/4/22	8.1.1920	James Houston, architect.
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	HALL, LADYSMITH ROAD	
ACC, GPC 14.2.1964		2-storey hall in Ladysmith Road offered to ACC by R C authorities, but declined.

ST COLUMBA'S, formerly EAST FREE, 10 Glasgow Street

Ewing	1844
GU Archives DC/1/1222	Handbill re opening 25.7.1844.
AA 20.4.1899	Proposed extension. Architect: McLelland.
AA 30.10.1902	Memorial Stone laid last Saturday. Architect: John McLelland.
ASH, F17.7.1903, 5hi	EAST UF. Reopened after addition/alterations. **John McLelland**. architect. Organ: **Peter Connacher & Co**., Huddersfield.
DKH, F 17.7.1903, 5de	Cost £2000.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH HALL, 13 Glasgow Street

Formerly WEST FREE CHURCH, built as R.P.

Couper, 1925, pp 49/50	Photocopy herewith. Church formally opened 20.4.1825.
Couper, Kilbirnie West, 19	Built 1825
Ewing	Former R P Congregation, joined FC in 1876. Church built 1825, rebuilt 1888.
AA 21.4.1887	Proposed new church for the West Free Church congregation.
Couper, Kilbirnie West, 46-47	New church on same site formally opened 7th July 1889. *Alexander Petrie*, architect. Cost c. £1615. Three light stained glass window to memory of William, George and James Knox.
ASH, F 12.7.1889, 8ab	With sketch. Ballochmyle stone, with a three-light window by W & J J Kier, in memory of the Knoxs. Builder: *James Crawford*, Kilbirnie; Joiner: *William Young*, Stevenston. Work began in May 1888.
KS 2.12.1905	Memorial window, "Blessed are the Pure in Heart", to R W Knox; *Stephen Adam, senior*.
KS, Sa 10.5.1924, 8f	War Memorial - Gothic oak communion table and three chairs.
ACC Planning, A7292	May 1954. Alterations to Church Hall, Glasgow Street, for East Church.

ST COLUMBA'S MANSE, Dipple Road

CO3/8/7/5	Bldg Wrt BA2371	James Houston & Son; approved 20.11.1969. C6687.

SALVATION ARMY HALL

CO3/12/4/22	6.5.1920	--.
CO3/8/7/4	Bldg Wrt BA 306	SA Hall, Newton Street; Alex Cullen & Co., Hamilton. Amended plan approved 1.4.1966. C1953.
	HALL FOR YOUTH [Built?]	
AA, CO 3/10/5/25, YSFE 25.11.1965		Financial support sought (but not given) from ACC.

WEST FREE CHURCH — See ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH HALL

WEST FREE CHURCH MANSE

Ewing	1830.

YMCA HALL

BA, lxxiv, 198	Opened September 1910. Fryers and Penman, Largs, architects. c£800.

CEMETERY

ASH, F9.9.1887, 5c — Nearly completed. 2A, adjacent to kirkyard. Imposing gateway pillars. **-- Snodgrass**, Beith, architect. Builders: Keanie, Lochwinnich.

TT, F 2.6.1899, 1b — The Heritors are to meet 21st June to discuss, inter alia, … a request from the Parish Council to make an entrance into the new cemetery from the kirkyard.

CO3/12/4/4 BBC 5.3.1903 — Cottage, Cemetery; John McLelland.

MEMORIAL TO BRYCE MUIR KNOX

B., 21.1.1927 — 1927 memorial to B M Knox of Redheugh, †1924. James Houston, Kilbirnie, architect.

visit, 21.12.97 — B M Knox's dates are 21.5.1855-15.2.1924. [Other net manufacturers noted are Sir James Knox of Place 4.1.1850-30.9.1926; Robert William Knix of Moorpark, 60, 19.6.1905; John Low 2.5.1835-10.3.1910 and James Allan 24.6.1845-24.1908. Of these Sir James (a monument possibly of c.1889) and R W Knox (big) have architectural merit]

ADJACENT SEPARATE CEMETERY

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CLINIC

Kinninburgh & Burke, 124 — Has reference to Kilbirnie & Glengarnock District Nursing Association opening in "New Clinic", 11th April 1931.

FIRE STATION, Dalry Road

FIRE STATION, Paddockholm Road (1)

ACC Planning, A1253 — July 1949. Fire Station, Kilbirnie, for South Western Fire Area Joint Committee.

ACC Planning, A3378 — March 1951. Single Bay Retained Fire Station, Paddockholm Road. **Eric A Hurcomb**, for South Western Fire Area Joint Committee

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SRC, B&P, 6.3.1979, 341 — Site in Paddockholm Road to be acquired from PSA, for £3000.

Kinninburgh & Burke, 121 — dedicated 19th December 1989

GARNOCK ACADEMY

AA, CO 3/10/5/29, GPC 17.10.1969 — To negotiate a contract with Crudens Ltd.

AA, CO3/10/5/30, GPC 13.2.1970 — Name approved.

CO3/8/7/5 Bldg Wrt BA2695 — School, Moorpark, for ACC Eduction Dept. Approved 31.8.1970.

AA, CO 3/10/5/30, SBSC 27.10.1970 — Let to Crudens Ltd, at £1,010,836.

AA, CO 3/10/5/31, AR 10.12.1970 — Begun October 1970, completion due August 1972.

White, Garnock, 8 — The four schools (Kilbirnie Central, Beith Academy, Spier's School and Dalry High School) were formally linked as Garnock Academy on 2nd June 1971, but initially continued to use old buildings

AA, CO 3/10/5/32, AR to GPC 17.12.1971 — Begun July 1970, and completion due August 1972

White, Garnock, 8 — Completed in 1972; the pupils moved in 1st September 1972.

SVR 1972-1973 — 1.9.1972.

AA, CO 3/10/5/33 — GPSC 16.2.1973 To have a formal opening.

nr — Formally opened 13.4.1973.

SRC, Education(Services) 12.10.1976 — Final measurements. £1,027,098

White, Garnock, 8 — "The buildings could not be called beautiful, and I used to say that Garnock Academy was built without benefit of architect."

GARNOCK POOL

CO3.8.7.5 Bldg Wrt BA 969 — Swimming pool, Public Park; James Houston & Son; approved 29.11.1966. C3618.

ASH, F21.3.1969 — Built by ACC. Opening next week. Tenders accepted May 1967, loan sanctioned November 1967. **James Houston & Son**, Kilbirnie, architects; **Thomas Findlay & Sons Ltd**., Mauchline, main contractors.

KILBIRNIE CENTRAL SCHOOL, Holmhead

CO3/12/4/22 30.6.1921 — New school, for ACC; William Reid, Master of Works.

Kinniburgh & Burke, 16 — 1921.

ACC Planning, 3839 — August 1946. Dining room, KCPS, for Ayr County Council.

ACC Planning, 4587 — July 1947. Classrooms, Kilbirnie Central P.S., for Ayr County Council.

Nb — Presumably primary only after opening of Garnock Academy, 1972.

Kinniburgh & Burke, 16 — Closed in 1992. Health Centre on site opened in April 1994

KILBIRNIE HEALTH CENTRE, Holmhead

Kinniburgh & Burke, 16 — Opened in April 1994, on site of Kilbirnie Central School.

KILBIRNIE LADESIDE F.C.

PAY BOXES

ACC Planning, 4164 — January 1947. Three brick pay boxes, Kersland Field, for Kilbirnie Ladeside F.C.

ENCLOSURE

ACC Planning, A1177 — June 1949. Covered enclosure, Valefield Park, for Kilbirnie Ladeside F.C.

HISTORY

AA, Th 6.1.1881, 4c — "'Charge' by a Football Player. At a football match at Chesterfield on Minday between the Chesterfield and Kilbirnie clubs, a member of the latter team, named Clelland, charged a man named Smith with terrific force. Clelland fell to the ground unconscious, and an examination showed that his collar-bone had been broken, He now lies at the Chesterfield hospital. The Scotch club won by four goals to none."

KNOX MEMORIAL CLOCK

Kilbirnie Cuttings, 18-9 — [ASH] 16.12.1904. Unveiled last Saturday.

AA 15.12.1904: KS 10.12.1904 — Grey granite tablet and pedestal with lamp, erected to design of Mr A R Dunbar, unveiled last Saturday. Commemorates R W Knox of Moorpark who improved this area.

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SAC, ACC, Roads Committee 3.7.1961 — Agree to removal of 'small' marble monument on central island at Kilbirnie Bridge and to find appropriate new site in agreement with Kilbirnie DC and the County Surveyor.

KNOX INSTITUTE, 21-23 Main Street

List 9 — Built 1892. 3 storey corner building with 4 bays to W and 5 bays to N and angle bay. Stugged ashlar with polished dressings. Door in angle with round-headed aedicular window above; corbelled angle turret at 2nd floor with 3 narrow, pilastered, round-headed lights, and panelled drum and parapet above. Ground floor openings linked by narrow pilaster strips. North elevation has 2 doors and 2 large shop windows,

door to L with fanlight. Continuous cornice over ground floor. 1st floor has off-centre Venetian window flanked by round headed aedicular windows, round-headed window with apron panel to left. Panelled pilasters flank end and angle bays and support frieze and dentilled cornice in 1st and 2nd floors. Galleried 2nd floor with broad round headed pilastered windows, small round headed window to outer bay; balustraded parapet above. Similarly detailed elevation to Main Street has 2 large shop windows to ground floor; 2 Venetian windows to 1st floor and 2 pairs of broad round-headed windows to 2nd floor and parapet above. End stacks and piended slate roof. Ref: Groome, iv, 356. B

AA 21.4.1892	William Knox Library and Institute, now in course of erection in Main Street, presented by R W Knox of Moorpark and named after his father.
AA 10.11.1892	To be opened 19.11.1892.
Groome, post 1892, 356	Opened 19.11.1892. Presented by Robert William Knox as memorial to his father. basement, ground floor, several shops. Main entrance on N front. First floor has reading room and library, committee rooms and lavatory. Recreation room on 2nd floor, 14' high, and 1000 sq.ft.
Kilbirnie Cuttings, 22-23	Report of opening 19th November 1892. *R Snodgrass*, architect.

LADYLAND SCHOOL

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1869

ACC Planning, 3850	August 1946. Dining Room, Ladyland P.S., for Ayr County Council.
SRC, E(Sv), 20.10.1977, 1032	Bridgend P.S. annexe, Ladyland, surplus.

SCHOOLHOUSE, 4 School Road

SRC, BPC 12.3.1985	Proposed transfer to Cunninghame D.C. for use as a refuge for women and children.

LIBRARY, Avils Place

Building Warrant BA 3687	March 1972. Library, Avils Place, Kilbirnie, for ACC. £34,000.
AA, CO 3/10/5/32, GPC 28.8.1972	Let to William McClure & Sons, Irvine, at £45,378.
AA, CO 3/10/5/33, AR 15.12.1972	Due for completion in April 1973.
AA, CO 3/10/5/34, GPC 13.9.1974	Libraries at Kilbirnie, Troon, Dundonald completed.
Nr	Opened April 1975.

LOCAL OFFICE, Main Street

SRC, 11.8.1981	Now surplus.

LOCAL OFFICE, School Wynd

SRC, GP 25.10.1978, 1283	Agree merger of Kilbirnie, Beith and Dalry Registration Districts, and acquisition of site, School Wynd, for new area/registration office.
SRC, B&P, 6.3.1979, 341	Properties at 11 (6 flats) and13 (5 flats) School Wynd acquired.
SRC, GP,12.2.1980, 292	Contract let to Alexander Aird, Troon, for £108,163.
SRC, 5.5.1981	Referred to, as 'new'.
SRC, General Purposes 1.9.1983	£1535 over contract price.

MOORPARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

SRC, Education (Services) Cttee, 7.4.1977, 445

Name approved.

Kinniburgh & Burke, 23	Opened 1978.

NURSES' HOME AND CHILD WELFARE CLINIC

ASH, F17.4.1931, 3cd	Formally opened last Saturday. **James Houston**, Kilbirnie, architect.

POLICE STATION, 1 Stoneyholm Road

CO 3/8/1/1, CoCo 7.10.1890, 101 Standing Jt Committee have approved erection of a station house at Kilbirnie; estimated cost £1200.

AA 12.11.1891 Plans of John Murdoch. In style resembles a modern villa: is nearly completed.

CO3/8/2/1, 57-59, Standing Joint Cttee 30.9.1890
Required. **John Murdoch** to provide plans

CO3/8/2/1, 70, Standing Joint Cttee 16.12.1890
Plans approved.

CO3/8/2/1, 90, Standing Joint Cttee 17.4.1891
Contractor to be Thomas Glen, Ardrossan, at £1460, using Auchenmade stone for lintels, &c., and Goukha' stone for all other principle stuff.

CO3/8/2/1, 114, Standing Joint Cttee 16.10.1891
Completed, and ready for occupation, mid November.

CO3/8/2/1, 124, Standing Joint Cttee 15.12.1891
Total cost, £1679 12s 2d. Murdoch's fee £60, with £22 14s 6d expenses.

[Not noted, but it wasn't brilliantly well built, and the Goukha' stone was a problem.]

ACC Planning, A8247 February 1955. Internal alterations, Kilbirnie Police Station, for Ayr County Council.

POLICE STATION, Bridgend (2)

AA, CO 3/8/9/3/13 Estimated Cost, October 1973, £134,450. Work began 9th July 1973, and due for completion July 1974

County Constabulary, Annual Report, 1974
Operational from November 1974

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES, Bridgend

ACC Planning, A5239 October 1952. Conveniences, Bridgend, for Ayr County Council.

ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

AA 23.6.1892 Ground has been bought at Newton Street for erection of R C day school.

B, lxiv, 789 Joseph Cowan, Glasgow, architect; John Keanie, Lochwinnoch, builder. 170 pupils. In course of erection 1893.

AA 10.5.1894 New RC school near St Brigids opened last week. Red sandstone from Ballochmyle. Plain Gothic. Architect, Mr J Cowan, Glasgow.

ACC Planning, 4588 July 1947. Classrooms, St Brigid's R.C. School, for Ayr County Council.

ACC Planning, 4884 November 1947. Dining Hall, St Bidget's R.C. School, for Ayr County Council.

ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

B, 8.5.1936, 955 & 5.6.1936, 1151 Proposed, 1936. William Reid, County Architect. £2000.

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL [ST BRIGID'S]

AA, CO 3/10/5/22, GPSC 22.3.1962
Crudens Ltd, Musselburgh, invited to tender for construction of new St Bridgets Kilbirnie, Logan P.S., Muirhead P.S. and a new Dalrymple P.S.

SAC, ACC County Council 25.9.1962
Contract with Crudens Ltd signed.

ACC, AR 13.12.1962 Work began September 1962.

GO 25.10.1963 To be formally opened 11.11.1963. Headmaster is William Dillon.

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Opened October 1963

ROYAL BLUE LODGE, Newton Street

CO3/12/4/4	BBC 3.12.1903	Masonic Temple and dwellinghouses, Newton Street; John McLelland.
AA 25.2.1904		Memorial Stone will be laid on Saturday.
BN, lxxxvi, 340		Memorial stone laid 27.2.1904. Front of white freestone. Other walls of brick.
AA 13.10.1904		Formally opened last Saturday.
Letter of John Lauchland, 4.2.2000		Refers to Minute Book, confirms stone-laying as 29.2.1904. '... what is most impressive is the symbolism that has been incorporated in the façade. I know of no Masonic Hall that is so specific in its design ...'.

SCHOOL, BRIDGEND

AA 28.12.1848: KJ 28.12.1848		[Is this this building] Large and elegant new schoolhouse formally opened 21 December 1848.
AA 16.8.1900		Proposed extension of Bridgend School. Sketch plan by Mr McLelland, architect.
B, 8.11.1935, p. 850		Reconstruction and extension in hand, 1935. William Reid, County Architect.
B., 5.6.1936		Plans approved for extension to Ladyland-Bridgend School. William Reid, County Architect.
ACC Planning, 3814		August 1946. Dining Room, Bridgend Public School, for Ayr County Council.
site visit 31.1.1993		Bridgend Public School, Bridgend, is now Community Centre, and has date "1895".

SCHOOL

BI 20/236	November 1909	Proposed new school - £4000. J Barbour, Glasgow, architect. [Not proceeded with?]
B, xcvii, 532		Details as BI 20/236 ref.
BI 23/270	September 1912	School to be built between Kilbirnie and Glengarnock; plans of H & D Barclay. [BI 26/302, May 1915, concurs] [also in A, lxxxviii, Supp, 30.8.1912, p.18, and in B, ciii, 263, which says it is for 400 pupils.]
CO3/12/4/5	BBC 3.7.1913	School, Newhouse lands, for KSB; **H & D Barclay**, Glasgow.
site visit, nd		dated "1914" and called, c.1990, Glengarnock Primary School Annexe.

SCULPTURE, Cross

ASH F 14.6.1974, 11gj	Unveiled last Saturday - a gift of BSC. No title given, but sculptor is **John Henry White**, Largs/Howwood.
Kinniburgh & Burke, 110	**John Henry White** of Howwood, unveiled 8th June 1974. Of Gartcosh steel, and cleaned in 1986.
nr	No longer in existence.

WALKER HALL

CO3/12/4/22	7.5.1914	Public Hall for Parish Council.
AA, ATD 109: ASH 7.8.1914		By a letter of 21 July 1914, Dr William Walker, Buenos Ayres, agreed to pay the full estimated cost of the new Public Hall in Kilbirnie. Lowest tenders included (for mason work), Allan R Dunbar, £1131 7s 4½d, and (for joiner work), James Barclay, £915 4s 2d.
ASH, F 15.9.1916, p2be		Opened last Saturday. Renaissance building in grey Auchenheath stone -side walls brick roughcast. **Robert J Walker**, Glasgow, architect. Main contractors: **Allan R Dunbar**, Kilbirnie, mason, and **James Barclay**, Kilbirnie, joiner. Photo. [Lengthier transcript herewith].
A, 15.9.1916, supp, p.7		Opened 9.9.1916. R J Walker, Glasgow, architect. Cost c £5200. [Cf also BN, 20.9.1916, 268]
BI 27/319	October 1916	Formally opened recently: illustrated in this Ref.

Journal of Decorative Arts, 10/1916, 289-90
Opened 1916. Vestibule to Council Chamber has terrazzo mosaic floor. Council chamber on upper floor approached by fire-proof staircase with ornamental wrought iron railing and barrel-shaped plaster ceiling with modelled enrichments. Council Chamber finished in cypress, with panelled dado stained dark mahogany colour - at one end, dog grate fireplace with overmantel - upper portions of wall plastered - ceiling plastered with central modelled enrichment and corner paterae.
Main hall seated for 800 - wood dado - pilaster wall treatment - curved ribbed plaster ceiling. Proscenium has side piers carrying circle-headed pediment with centre shield - colour scheme "of a restricted character"; enhanced with stencil enrichment in wall panels. Decorator: William Jamieson.

ACC, FC 9.10.1947, 1144 — Kilbirnie DC making claim to War Department for compensation for its requisition.

CO3/8/7/4 Bldg Wrt BA43 — Extension; James Houston & Son. 1.9.1964. C1256.

WALKER MEMORIAL STATUE

List 11 — **D W Stevenson**, sculptor. Erected late C19. Memorial to William Walker. Female figure on a square ashlar plinth with a bronze bust of Dr Walker on the W front, an inscription on opposite face, and a coiled serpent on the 2 sides between. The figure in flowing robes steadies an overturned jar which lies on a round pedestal with a snake encircling it. Her right hand has been destroyed. Inscription reads *Wm Walker MD 1807-1885. In grateful memory of a life devoted to the well-being of the people. The Faithful Physician*. B.

AA 21.6.1894 — Unveiled last Saturday. Statue of Hygeia on a pedestal, each 9' tall. Both in finest stone from Doddington, Northumberland, and are executed by Mr D W Stevenson, Edinburgh.

BN, lxvi, 875 — Unveiled 1894. 9' statue of Hygeia on similarly height pedestal. On front of pedestal alto-relievos of Dr Walker in bronze. Bronze plate on rear with inscription. Unveiled 16.6.1894.

WILLIAM WALKER

C1861 596-6-52 — 14 Bridge Street. William Walker, married, 52, Licentiate of the College of P&S, Glasgow, b Kilbirnie. Wife, dau, dau, son, dau.

WAR MEMORIAL GATES

GTB — 7.10.1922, James Houston.

Kinniburgh & Burke, 110 — Neo-Greek. Formally opened 8th October 1922.

RCAHMS, D37210 — Elevation, James Houston. PHOTOCOPY herewith.

GARDEN

ACC Planning, B389 — August 1956. Lay out garden at memorial gateway. James Houston & Son, for Kilbirnie D.C.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE, 34 Newton Street

ACC Planning, A7081 — March 1954. Alterations, for Ayr County Council.

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