Order of settlements - Fail - Tarbolton - Annbank, &c.

FAIL ABBEY, 42112864

HISTORY

Carrick	1252. Fail or Failford or Lochfail, "the house of the Holy Trinity", in Ayrshire was founded by Andrew Bruce and was a very important religious establishment in the South of Scotland, holding the churches of Tarbolton, by the gift of a white horse, Symington, Barnweill, Invercharan, Garrel and Gailstone. The ministers sat in Parliament. In 1459 it was required, on the King's petition, to support a hospital. The lands fell afterwards to the family of Wallace.
Cowan & Easson, 1976, 109	Founded before C14. Red Friars - Trinitarians. Date of foundation uncertain. Not mentioned before C14 but Hay [Diplomatum, ii, 579] and Spottiswoode say it was founded in 1252. Hay and Brockie assign foundation to Andrew Bruce. In 1538 James V claimed it was founded by the King's ancestors; Stewarts of Kyle have probably the strongest claim. [Letters of James V, 341]
Paterson, 1852, II, 484	Fail Abbey was founded in 1252, but by whom is unknown. It belonged to the Red Friars, who were called Mathurines, from the house dedicated to St Mathurin in Paris. Part of the duty of Red Friars was redemption of captives from slavery, or serfage in case of this monastery. Rhyme associated with them: *The Friars of Fail drank berry brown ale/ The best that ever was tasted/ The monks of Melrose made guid kale,/ On Fridays, when they fasted*. [Ramsay's Evergreen]. Principal was styled "minister".
Cowan & Easson	Dissolved 1561.
AHCAW, iv, 1884, 21n	According to 1563-1566 Military Report [BM, ms], Fail became the parish church and supported a minister.
NSA, v, 748	Became parish church of Failford before reformation.
Reg Mag Sig, v, no.1280	? Possession of Trinitarians until 1587. Charter in favour of William Wallace [of Carneill], minister of Failford, "Ordinis S Trinitas ac Redemptionis Captivorum, provincialis dicti Ordinis infra Scotiam", &c., by John Boswell, 2nd son of John Boswell of Auchinleck of lands of the chapel "occupatas per Jo Fischear, Jo Skilling, Laurentium Richard, Wil Richard". Dated 1 April 1587.
Strathclyde Joint Archaeology Service,	1993-94 Annual Report, p.20 SJAS visited Fail Mains in response to the erection of a large agricultural building. Contact was made with Mr Taylor, father of Mr Bryce Taylor the present farmer. He stated that he remembered people in the locality talking about the finding of "bones and the graveyard" when a cutting was made for the old road. The new information is that he was able to locate this cutting to the above NGR [NS 4207 2886]. The cutting extends some 25 metres on either side of the NGR. On the date of visit a fragment of oyster shell was found in the exposed eastern face at a depth of 0.45m below turf level, and at the NGR given. This may reinforce the validity of the new locational information recovered.

BUILDING

Cowan & Easson, 1976, 109	Burnt before 1349. Burning is mentioned in Charter of 21 July 1349 [Reg Mag Sig, i, App.1, no.145]
Cowan & Easson, 1976, 109	Repaired 1476. Granted to John Mure OP, 1st Scottish provincial of the Blackfriars, 31 Mar 1476, he "contrived to repair and maintain in part a house normally monastic". [Cameron, Camera Apostolic, 18, James IV letters, no.114.]
Cowan & Easson, 1976, 109	James IV wrote to Julius II in 1507 that it was "so far deteriorated the end must come unless there is succour".
Reg Mag Sig, III, no 3206	A charter was signed at the Monastery of Failford, dated 31 January 1545.
Cowan & Easson, 1976, 109	"Cast Down", 1560. Destroyed by Reformers [Knox, Works, ii, 168]. In 1562 it was inhabited by 2 poor men. [+ Dillan, The Trinitarians of Ayrshire, Ayrs Colls, 1958, pp 68-132.]
Reg Mag Sig, IV, no.2195	Repair, 1573. Charter of Confirmation of minister of Failford and its convent to William Cunninghame of Caprington. Meadows, granary, pastures, "aqueductu, aque statione, et ejusdem clausura, cum terra ... lapidus, per reparatione dictorum molendi &c .." Dated at Failford, 10 and 16 February 1573.

Reg Mag Sig, IX, no.90		Minister of Failford mentioned in a Charter dated 15.3.1634.
Sas Abridgement 1222, 1785		C.S.GS 2/1785 - Sasine May 1785 - Abridgement 1.7.185. Failford Mpnastrey lands pass to James Hume, writer, Ayr.
1SA, VI, 649		Ruin stands near village of Failford.
AA, Th 16.8.1821, 1d		Estate of Brownhill and Failfoord being sold: "There is some valuable Old Wood adjoining the ruins of Failfoord Abbey."
NSA, v, 748	Jan 1842	One gable and part of side wall of the minister's house is still standing.
Paterson, 1852, II, 487		Gable and part of side wall of manor house of minister of Fail. According to "Ballads and Songs of Old Ayrshire" it blew down in storm at the time of the funeral of its last minister, said to be a warlock. no date. [There is an Illus in Paterson, 1863, I, 760]
Dillon, AC4, 1955-1957, 119		'1952. Recently all the ruins have been removed to furnish road material for Prestwick Aerodrome. A few stones were saved and now form a little grotto in the Catholic Church at Annbank.'
AA, Th 5.3.1953, 20ab		Fail Castle was razed last Wednesday.

TARBOLTON PARISH CHURCH [1]

Cowan, 1976, 195		1st mentioned in grant in 1335; 1337/1338 it was granted to Fail, revoked 1343/1344. Belonged to Melrose around this time. c.1430 it was a prebend of Glasgow.
AHCAW, II, 143		William Fraser, Scotts of Buccleuch, vol ii, pp ii & 4, refers to the 1335 Charter by John of Grahame, Lord of Tarbolton in Kyle-Stewart, to Robert Grahame, Lord of Walstone ... of right of patronage of the church of Tarboltone, with the land of Unthank, upon which the said church is built ... dated at Fale.
Cowan & Easson, 1976, 109		On 7 January 1378, the minister and brethren of Failford were granted Tarbolton Church: SRO RHP 6/148.
HR 718/1	29.7.1819	Church was repaired in 1749. Date stone on building. Walls were rebuilt at that time, without change to size of church.
HR 718/2	29.7.1819	To be demolished and built over: new church to be built on site. Materials to be reused.

TARBOLTON PARISH CHURCH [2]

List [P/BL/5/AR: June 1963] 1		1821, Robert Johnston, architect; refurnished. practically square on plan, has a pleasant facade with corner pilasters, clear windows and a spire surmounting a central projection. Ref: Hay 135,175 & 250. B
Hay	135	Tarbolton, practically square on plan, has a pleasing facade with corner pilasters, clear windows, and a spire surmounting a central projection. It was the work of Robert Johnston, architect of King Street Relief Church, Kilmarnock.
	175	The spire is almost identical in design to Riccarton.
Steven, T		Architect, Mr J Galt, who designed also Riccarton and Galston Parish Churches.
NSA, v 760		Spire 90' high. Clock with 4 dials. 950 sittings. Completed 1821. Cost £2500.
Colvin		Architect, Robert Johnston, Kilmarnock, quoting as ref HR 718/1 and HR 718/2.
Clouston		1908 Wilson bell.
HR 718/2	29.7.1819	New church to be built on site of old church. Back wall of new church built on line of S wall of old church so centre of front elevation is opposite present gateway. Eglinton Aisle removed and area used for burials to be paved over with moveable seats for further interments. Materials reused. Conts: James Lockie, wright; Robert Galt, Beith, mason; James Steel; James Millar. To be complete by 15 May 1821
AA 5.8.1819		Plans for new church will be received up to 1 September 1819.
AA 28.10.1819		Contractors - new church.
HR 718/2	21.2.1820	Clock re-erected in new church, 1821.
AA 20.4.1820		Foundation stone to be laid 26.4.1820.
HR 718/2	31.5.1821	Ready for iron seating. Final cost £2194.
AA, Th 7.6.1821, 4a		Heritors to meet Wed 20 June 1821 to agree Division of the Church.
AA, Th 7.7.1831, 1e		Contractors wanted for roof repairs.
OS Name Book	[1850s]	1824. "... it has a high bell which is wrung [sic] three times a day at 6 o'clock morning and evening and at 10 o'clock afternoon. At each of these periods the wringings last about 10 minutes".

AA 31.3.1887		On Sunday last it was intimated that the church would be closed for 3 weeks for renovations. New pulpit, 2 stained glass windows, new alterations, painting, &c.
AA 5.5.1887		Reopened last Sunday.
HR 718/7	5.8.1907	1907, alterations for organ. Access from vestry to pulpit closed. External entry under covered way formed to back E door of church from vestry. In order to make way for organ, small seats at side of pulpit removed. The pulpit was moved forward 3' and reduced in depth by 2'.
	5.12.1907	Steeple partly rebuilt. Architect: Allan Stevenson. Bell recast by John C Wilson & Co Ltd. Final cost, including recasting of bell, £400 19s 1d.
AA 19.3.1908		Organ inaugurated last Sunday. Organ: Norman and Beard, London Norwich and Glasgow. Architect: Allan Stevenson, who has presented to the church a handsome baptismal font in memory of his parents' long and honoured connection with the parish.
AA 20.5.1909		Steeple brought down by lightning, last Monday night.
AA 9.5.1912		Alabaster and metal tablet to Rev Robert Davidson. Execution: Messrs Wipple & Co., Exeter and London.
CH2/532/23, 97	4.5.1943	United with Tarbolton Erskine 1943: this church continued in use after local union.
CH3/532/24	6.10.1953	Communion Table, Minister's and Elders' chairs, lectern, choir chairs, organ screen, all gifted in 1953.
[AA, Th 4.7.1963, 13d		Erskine Church. The stained glass windows have been taken out and put in store.]
Honey draft		2 stained glass windows from Tarbolton UF Church were put up here in back-lit frames, 1995. They are Good Shepherd, i.m.o. Rev Thomas Crawford (1905, **W Meikle & Son**, Glasgow. Design: **J T Stewart**) and Chirst the Sower, i.m.o. Rev Alexander Dalrymple (circular, 1920, **W Meikle & Son**, Glasgow).
	KIRKYARD	
HR 718/1,	22.9.1808	Kirkyard walls built up to 6' high, 1808.
HR 718/2,	8.11.1820	Wall in front of church rebuilt parallel to front of church. Wall opposite end of school set back for access to kirkyard.
HR 718/4	24.3.1858	Additional 1 acre taken in; additional boundary wall erected. Contractors: John Pollock and James McWhirter, masons. Estimated cost: £61 12s 1d.
HR 718/6	19.7.1882	Addition, 1882.
AA, ATD 61/9/35		1895 Petition to Teind Court of Rev J C Higgins seeking permission to feu part of Glebe. "The Parochial Board have intimated their willingness to feu 1 acre for extending the burying ground, which urgently requires extension".
HR 718/7	11.5.1922	Addition, 1922.
	MONUMENTS	
Paterson, 1852, II, 487		**COVENANTER'S MEMORIAL**, nd. Inscription: *Here lies William Shillilaw, who was shot at Woodhead, by Lieut Lauder, for his adherence to the word of God and Scotland's covenanted work of Reformation, 1685*.
SCMA, Newsletter 71, September 1999, 10		Shillila monument was erected in 1727, and renewed in 1812. Now showing signs of age, and Kirk Session seeking financial assistance in providing a replacement.
n.r. (note with SCMA Newsletters)		Official unveiling of new Shillilau memorial 9.4.2000.
HR 718/6	28.4.1881	**MONUMENT TO ALEXANDER COOPER OF FAILFORD**. Built c1832, and, in 1881, moved from the Failford Burying-Place and placed against front wall of church between westmost window and W corner. Original sculptor: Thom. Architect; Allan Stevenson, Ayr.
StM2/4	July 1899	Messrs M Muir & Co, Kilmarnock, have just finished a beautiful rustic memorial stone to the order of the Tarbolton Literary Society, to mark the resting place of Archie Murchie, who died in early spring.
AA 13.4.1911		Handsome tomb to John Spiers, died 1910. Of Rubislaw granite.
AA, Th 14.1.1954, 14e		The Bachelors Club have agreed to erect three plaques: at the site where Burns met "Death"; at Manson's Inn, and at the last resting place of James Manson.
AA, Th 7.7.1955, 9de		Plaques unveiled last week: Willie's Mill; Manson's Inn; Manson's grave in kirkyard.

TARBOLTON MANSE [1]

AHCAW, II, 138: Chalmers, 1825, III, 516		c.1430 parish of Tarbolton founded as prebend of Glasgow Cathedral. Manse is 1st mentioned in instrument of 1508.
VRs		A house called Old Manse appears to be 2-4 Back Street.

TARBOLTON MANSE [2]

List 2		Creamwashed plaster, grey painted dressings; 2 storeys, Victorian dormers; centre slight pedimented projection, topped by 3 urns; doorway set in round arched panel; splayed bay window on ground floor to left. Ridge roof, end stacks. Ref: NSA, v, 761. B.
AHCAW, III, 141		1749 Description in Report of General Assembly. Glebe and garden with house, office houses and ditch dykes.
NSA, v, 648		Built c.1840.
HR 718/3	17.3.1836	Extensive structural repairs and partly rebuilt. Architect: James Paton, Ayr. Final cost: £772 13s 8d.
HR 718/6	1.10.1883	Repaired 1883-1884. Allan Stevenson, Ayr, architect. est cost: £700. Completed by 28 August 1884. [See HR 718/6, that date].
	7.5.1889	1889 treatment for dry rot. New wood inserted in walls and floors around bathroom. Allan Stevenson, architect. Conts: W & K Jackson; McIlwraith Cowan & Co. Final cost c£125.
AA, ATD 61/9/35		1895 Petition to Teind Court by Rev J C Higgins, seeking permission to feu parts of the Glebe, partly for an extension to churchyard, and partly, as "there is good demand for houses in the village", as building plots.
HR 718/6	30.7.1903	Dining room window enlarged, 1903.
HR 718/7	30.3.1922	New gate formed in glebe boundary, opposite UP Church.
CH2 /532/25, 298	4.9.1962	Renovated, 1962. Estimated cost £4000.

TARBOLTON FREE CHURCH

The Witness, 29.6.1844		Foundation stone laid, 10.6.1844
The Witness, 16.11.1844		Opened 10.11.1844
ASH, Sa 24.11.1860, 3c		Re-opened after "thorough repair", 18.11.1860. Walls plastered, gas introduced, and a vestry added.
AA 11.8.1892		Re-opened last Sabbath after repairs.
Lamb, 133		Sold after 1904 local union.
AA, Th 7.1.1904, 1e		For sale: St John's U.F. Church. 17F 22E.
CO3/12/1/4	BBC 6.2.1906	Alterations - "Old Free Church", T - John Raeside; Allan Stevenson.

TARBOLTON FREE CHURCH MANSE [ERSKINE HOUSE, JAMES STREET]

Ewing		1863
KWP 18.10.1862, 6e		FC are to build a manse, a free site having been obtained from Coilsfield.
AA 4.12.1862: KWP 13.12.1862 4a		Conts - F C Manse. William Ingram, 36 Renfield St., Glasgow, architect.
KWP 28.2.1863, 4b		Progressing 'rapidly'. Contractor is A Andrew [presumably Gabriel Andrew's father]
CH2 532/24	3.3.1953	Sold in 1952. [incumbent in 1943 had been allowed use during his lifetime]
AA, Th 3.9.1953, 7c		For sale.

TARBOLTON U.P. CHURCH

[Began as Burgher Secession, becoming Erskine UF in 1900. Closed after local union in 1943]

Small II, 335		Built c.1777. Believed to have been built in 1777. 600 sittings.
AANHS, 5, 127		Erected 1777.
KWP 7.9.1861, 5f		To be re-opened after repairs, Su 15.9.1861.
KWP 21.9.1861, 4f		Walls were raised a few feet: internal improvements.
KWP 18.10.1862, 6e		Has lately undergone extensive alterations.
AA 25.2.1904		Conts for alterations, UF Church; Allan Stevenson.
Lamb, 133		Alterated and renovated, c1908-09
AA 4.8.1910		Hexagonal oak font, by Bennet Furnishing Co., Glasgow, placed in church last week.
AP 12.12.1930		Tablet to Dr William Morgan. Architect: J Carrick.
nr		Closed after 1943 local union.
	STAINED GLASS	
AA 2.2.1905: KS 4.2.1905		New memorial window to family of Thomas Crawford.
AA 2.12.1920		Erskine UFC. Memorial window to Rev A Dalrymple, minister 1844-1893, has been installed.

AA, Th 4.7.1963, 13d		Erskine Church. The stained glass windows have been taken out and put in store.
Honey draft		These two windows were put into store until 1995 when they were put up inside Tarbolton Parish Church, see above.

TARBOLTON U.P. CHURCH MANSE [NETHERCROFT, 20 JAMES STREET]

AA, Th 2.5.1822, 1c		To let. "A house adjoining the village of Tarbolton and contiguous to Coilsfield Pleasure Grounds consisting of dining room, parlour, 4 bedrooms, closets and kitchen, with a moderate sized garden, well-stocked with fruit trees. Few situations command the same advantages for a genteel family, the house being in every respect convenient, and the situation delightful." Details: Captain Stobo at Tarbolton, or William White, writer, Cumnock.
AA, Th 24.3.1831, 1b		To let, that self-contained house situate at the east end of James Street, Tarbolton (the prospect beautiful) consisting of Kitchen, Parlour, Dining Room, four bed rooms, and other conveniences. The garden is large and well stocked with fruit trees and small fruit bushes. Dets: Stobo, [Daisybank]
OS Name Book	[1850s]	This is a neat plain building 2 storeys high slated and in very good repair beautifully situated on the summit of a rise. There is a good garden attached, and no more. Situated at the south east end of the village of Tarbolton at the end of a new row of buildings.
C1861	619.2.30	Alexander Dalrymple, m43, UP Minister, b St Quivox. Spo, Jane, 45, Irvine. Children [all b. Tarbolton], Janet 15 pupil teacher, Agnes Mc? 13, Quintin 11, John 8, Jane 5. 1 servant, Janet Bryan, u24, b Tarbolton.
C1871	619.2.94	Alexander Dalrymple, m53, UP Minister, b Ayr. Spo, Jane, 54, Irvine. Dau, Jane, 15.
Sas Min 2292 of 1904		Sold after 1904 union to Margaret Harvey, spouse of John Gray, farmer, Parkmill. [Sas Min 2249 of 1904 is FDisp by William Robertson Paterson to UF Church].

BACHELORS' CLUB, 2 Sandgate Street

List 3		2 storeys, limewashed, thatched; 2 small sash windows on upper floor, 2 plain doors and blocked window below. External stairway to rear. In this building Robert Burns founded his famous literary and debating society. A.
AP, F 7.1.1938, 6cde		The NTS's appeal 'has aroused interest over a wide area' and 'the response so far has been very satisfactory.'
NTS, Year Book 1971, 12		Acquired 1938.
KS, Sa 13.10.1951, 6cd		Officially opened 6.10.1951 by J C Stormonth Darling. The appeal had been launched 6.12.1937.
AP 12.11.1971		Presently being rethatched: thatcher Les Petherick.
KS, F 1.2.1974, 18		Was rethatched and repainted in 1972, and has now been redecorated.

BOWLING GREEN

CO 3/10/2/229	17.3.1875	Work about to commence. Access required across proposed playground of new school.
AA 19.7.1875		Formally opened last Saturday.
AA, Th 28.11.1968, 20a		ACC, Ayr County Building Authority. Plans passed; £1,000 extension, Tarbolton Bowling Club.

[NEW] CEMETERY, Middlemuir

ACC, FinC 12.6.1952, 126	Approve acquisition of 2.536 acres at Altonburn Farm, for a new Cemetery.
ACC Planning, A5434	December 1952. Cemetery, Middlemuir, for Ayr County Council.
AA, Th 25.2.1954, 14c	Has been opened

CLINIC, Montgomerie Street

ACC, Health Committee 7.1.1959	In course of erection.

COMMUNITY CENTRE, Montgomery Street.

AA, CO 3/10/5/23	EC 12.11.1963	Proposed new Community Centre (including a new library). Work proposed to begin February 1965, and be completed by December 1966.
CO3/8/7/5	Bldg wrt BA1636	Granted 28.8.1968 to ACC.
AA, Th 4.7.1968, 26a		A 3-storey house in Montgomerie Street is being demolished. Site required for Community Centre.

AA, Th 13.2.1969, 26cd	To go ahead, due to £17,000 grant from CISWO
AA, CO 3/10/5/29 TSSC 12.11.1969	Should be available by January 1970.
AA, CO 3/10/5/30, AR 5.12.1969	Due for completion December 1969.
SVR 1969-1970	22 December 1969.
AA, Th 15.1.1970, 11	Opening today.
n.r.	Demolished 2017.

GAS WORKS

AA 3.7.1845	Contractors - Gasworks.

GOSPEL HALL

3SA, 1951, 587	Opened 1939.

HIGHLAND MARY MONUMENT, FAILFORD

List 11	Square column, finial, simple bass. Near this spot Robert Burns and Highland Mary took their last farewell 14th May 1786. B.
B Jones	A square stone pillar commemorates 14 May 1786. There is a globe on top, with a ring aslant around it.
AA 11.11.1920	Work being carried out by Mr **[James S] Hay**, Kilmarnock, architect, whose plan has been approved.
Burns Chronicle, XXX, January 1921, 92-93 (copy herewith)	Gives history of monument, and its relationship to the removal by Harland & Wolff of the one in Greenock. Plans prepared by Hay, Kilmarnock, architect; building work by **A Calderwood**, Kilmarnock, builder.

LORIMER LIBRARY, 52-54 Montgomerie Street

3SA, 1951, 583	Gift of Rev Lorimer.
AA, Th 2.1.1879, 6b	Formally opened last Wednesday last week. **Gabriel Andrew**, Kilmarnock, architect. 'A native of the village, the late Mr Lorimer of Glasgow (who at one time was in business in Kilmarnock)'. '... Mr Lorimer had been an apprentice at Kilmarnock; he had attempted business in Glasgow and in the United States of America; and he had returned to Glasgow just about as poor as when he left it. But soon after this his circumstances began to better themselves, and by and by he was at the head of a considerable wholesale and retail business'. Chairman of the Trustees is Bailie John Baird, Kilmarnock.
ACC Planning, B267	July 1956. Additions and alterations; Stevenson & Ferguson, for Lorimer Trust.

PLAYING FIELDS

PAVILION

ACC Planning, A4331	January 1952. Hut (for use as Pavilion), Playing Fields, T, for Ayr District Council.
ACC Planning, A7003	March 1954. Pavilion, Tarbolton Playing Fields, for Ayr District Council.

PLAYING FIELDS, Langlands

ACC Planning, B827	January 1957. Playing Fields, Langlands, for Ayr District Council.

POLICE STATION, 31-33 Montgomerie Street

SVR 1967-1968	July/August 1967, for ACC. Tenants include Edward Carden, at 31.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

AA Th 17.3.1960, 24a	TCP Acts notice. ACC, for proposed public conveniences on ground adjoining Cunningham Street.

ST JAMES MASONIC HALL

Weir, 47	Decision taken 4.12.1886 to build a hall for lodge business. Estimated cost £500.
AA 17.10.1889	Foundation stone laid last Saturday. "Brother J Eaglesham, ARIBA, Ayr, acted as croupier". [Weir, 48, confirms date, but no mention of architect]
AA 8.5.1890	Opened last Friday.
Weir, 48	First meeting in new hall was 2.8.1890.

CO3/12/1/12	BBC 29.7.1924	Additions to Tarbolton Masonic Lodge; J K Hunter.
Weir, 52		New Temple and renovated hall were consecrated 26.9.1925. Made possible "By the munificence of Bro Andrew Bryson, Merchant, Ware, Mass, U.S.A., this Temple has been erected and the Hall renovated." Intimation had been given 16.3.1923 of Bryson's wishes, and in January 1924 a subcommittee met with J K Hunter. Plans shown to Lodge 1.2.1924, Cheque received from Bryson 6.4.1924, and schedules issued 18.4.1924, and tenders accepted 24.4.1924.
Weir, 53		First meeting in new Temple was 2.10.1925.
SCHOOL [1]		
HR 718/1	13.7.1807	To be demolished, and School [2], q.v., built on site.
SCHOOL [2]		
HR 718/1	13.7.1807	2 storey house to be built on site of old school. To have 6 windows, 2 in front, 2 behind and 2 in W gable. Door in centre front, projecting staircase to master's house in upper floor. Est cost: £377. Cont: John Kay. Completed by 22.9.1808.
AA, Th 16.7.1807, 4b		School and Schoolmaster's House: contractors wanted.
AA, Th 17.9.1807, 4b		Foundation Stone laid 8th September 1807.
HR 718/1	1.8.1814	Harled, 1814
HR 718/5	19.11.1860	Addition and alteration, 1860-61. Present building remodelled and similar building added to S with present S wall as addition. Architect: John Murdoch, Ayr. Est cost: £140. Ready to be furnished by 14.11.1861 [ibid, that date]
AA, 18.4.1861, 1e		Contractors - additions and alterations, Tarbolton Parish School. Details: John Murdoch.
KWP 18.10.1862, 6e		Parish school, "all but rebuilt".
CO 3/10/2/229	6.1.1876	Will close when new school opens 10.1.1876.
	11.9.1876	Being sold to Tarbolton Parochial Board.
SCHOOL [3]		
CO 3/10/2/229	25.9.1873	Tarbolton School Board resolve to build a new school.
	13.10.1873	Site between Free & U.P. Churches agreed on.
	6.11.1873	Plans tabled by John Mercer, and by John Murdoch. Those of **John Mercer** preferred.
	10.6.1874	Following representations from the Board of Education, School Board agree to make the new school of a sufficient size to enable closure and sale of both old parish school, and old subscription school.
	29.7.1874	John Mercer to be asked to amend plans to produce a larger school.
	26.8.1874	Plans approved.
AA 25.3.1875		Contractors - Tarbolton School; John Mercer.
CO 3/10/2/229	21.4.1875	Contracts accepted. Wyllie & Baird, Ayr, masons; W & G Ferguon, Ayr, joiners; &c. Total estimated cost, £2165 14s 3d.
AA 22.7.1875; ASH, Sa 24.7.1875 5f		Memorial stone laid last Saturday.
CO 3/10/2/229	6.1.1876	School inspected. Agreed that it should open for teaching M 10.1.1876.
AA 17.10.1912		Tenders - extension, Tarbolton Public School, for TSB; J & H V Eaglesham.
CO3/12/1/6	BBC 1.4.1913	Additions and alterations, for TSB; J & H V Eaglesham.
AA 5.2.1914		Extension formally opened yesterday; brick and roughcast. J & H V Eaglesham. Original school built 1874-75.
ACC Planning, 4390		May 1947. Classrooms, Tarbolton P.S. for Ayr County Council.
ACC Planning, A1027		May 1949. Additions and alterations, for Ayr County Council.
ACC Planning, B240		July 1956. Alterations to heating chamber, Tarbolton J S School, for Ayr County Council.
	ANNEXE	
ACC Planning, B826		January 1957. Annexe for Tarbolton JS School, Langlands, for Ayr County Council.
SCHOOL [4]		
Supplementary VR, 1950-51		School in Montgomery Street, occupied December 1950.
SCHOOL (5)		

web		2016, contracts signed. AHR Architects, Glasgow, architects, for South Ayrshire Council.

SCHOOLMASTER'S HOUSE

HR 718/6	21.6.1869	1869. Site for new house and garden, separate from school, for master's dwelling house purchsed. Plan approved. To be whitewashed. Conts; James Drennan, mason; Templeton & Turnbull, joiners. Final cost: £405 7s 6d.

SUBSCRIPTION SCHOOL

KWP 14.8.1858		New school to be built. Grant of £100 from Fergusson Bequest. "This private school has always been popular here, from the fact of the teachers always being young men, and the style of teaching more modern than is at present taught in the parish school".
ASH 1.1.1859		"Finished with great taste"; now in use.
CO 3/10/2/229	21.8.1873	Taken over by School Board, and called Tarbolton No. 2 School.
	6.1.1876	Will close when new school opens 10.1.1876.
	8.1.1877	Sold to John Hunter for £121.

TOWN HOUSE

List 4		Dated 1832; an unimposing relic of the burgh of barony created by Charles II, where the annual New Year meeting of the town council is still held. Ref; 3SA, 583. C.
Paterson, ii, 488		A town-house and lock-up were erected by subscription in 1836. [Burgh Charter is of 1671]
OS Name Book	[1850s]	Built by public subscription in 1826.
Imp Gaz, 1855, 777		Erected 1836: costs met by subscription.
AA, Th 26.3.1953, 7		has Photographs,including one of the interior of the COUNCIL CHAMBER, and one of the 1832 Reformers Banner.
AA, Th 29.12.1955, 9cde		[Annual Yule Meeting]. Tarbolton was created a Burgh of Barony in 1671. The 1st annual Yule Meeting was held in 1831. Town House is of 1832.

WAR MEMORIAL

AA 25.11.1920: AP 26.11.1920	Unveiled last Sunday.
KS 27.11.1920	Peterhead granite. Thomas Lyon, of Matthew Muir & Co: site designed by Allan Stevenson.
ACC, Roads cttee 4.3.1968	Proposal by Ayr District Council to move to site at junction of Cunninghame Street and Burns Street.
AA, Th 31.10.1968, 12e	It is entrusted to Tarbolton Town Council.
AA, Th 30.1.1969, 26c	Not to be moved. Town Council to spend money on a new concrete base, re-lettering and cleaning.

ANNBANK/MOSSBLOWN

ANNBANK PARISH CHURCH. [1]
Commonly known as Iron Kirk

FES, III, 2: Groome, 42	Built as chapel of ease in 1871.
AA, Th 27.10.1870, 4d	"The erection of the iron Church is to be begun shortly, and it will be completed before the end of the year. This Church will be a great boon to many in the neighbourhood - the distance being so great to any of the churches round about, and from the high talents of the young man [James Ewen, St Andrews] who is to become the pastor it will, we have no doubt, be shortly very well filled. It is also gratifying to learn that the funds towards the erection of it are being very liberally subscribed."
AA, Th 2.3.1871, 4f	Iron church formally opened last Sunday. Design of Mr Murdoch, IA, Ayr. Execution: Francis Morton & Co., Liverpool
ASH, Sa 4.3.1871, 5a	Iron church for Established Church opened last Sunday. Murdoch, architect. Erected by Francis Morton & Co., Liverpool.
AA 10.1.1901	Destroyed by fire last Tuesday.
AA, 7.5.1903	Was an iron church, and a mission from Tarbolton Parish Church. Enlarged 1875 and burnt down 1901.

ANNBANK PARISH CHURCH [2]

3SA, 1951, 588		Opened 1903. Red sandstone with gallery over entrance.
Clouston		1902, Taylor bell.
EG		Became a Q.S. Parish in 1914, mostly Tarbolton CP, but also part of St Quivox CP. Petitioners were J A Clarke, Robert Angus and Ronald Macarthur, schoolmaster.
CH2 532/25, 155	28.6.1960	1960, structural repair.
	4.4.1961	1961, extension of Communion Table and platform.
	MINISTER	
n.r (AP, Jan 1947)		J Youngson Thomson. His sister, Jean, was the wife of Paul Harris, c.1859 - 1947, Chicago lawyer and founder, 1910, of Rotary.

ANNBANK FREE CHURCH, later UF [1]

FES, IX, 168		Church, manse and temporary hall
CH3 826/1	10.1.1901	Destroyed by fire, 1901.

ANNBANK U.F. CHURCH [2]
Later known as Annbank Rodger C/S

AA 20.11.1902		Is now open: red sandstone front.
CH3 826/1	26.4.1901	Built 1901-03. Church and manse to be rebuilt. Plans approved with slight alteration.
CH3 826/1	26.9.1901	Conts: Alex Smith, mason (church only) - David Campbell, mason, Ayr (church and manse) - Rome & Sons, Kilmarnock, joiners - Dalrymple, Kilmarnock, slater - William Anderson, Kilmarnock, painter - William Meikle & Son, Kilmarnock, glaziers. Church opened 3.5.1903
CH3 826/1	4.5.1903	Accounts. Payments to McKean & Wardrop for tiles, and to Vickers for carving. Ground around church levelled and laid out by George Taylor & Co. Final cost: £3709 9s 6d. Bell, gifted by Margaret and Elizabeth Clarke. Stained glass window also presented by them
AA 7.5.1903		New site. Ballochmyle stone. 400-500 sittings. Architect; J B Wilson, Glasgow. Names conts as Campbell, Rome & Son, Elder & Son, Kilmarnock, plasterers, and Meikle & Son, Glasgow, glaziers. Cost of £3000 to £4000, inc manse.
CH3 826/1	2.2.1910	Boundary walls raised, 1910, and given a coping.
	STAINED GLASS	
Honey draft		1903. Execution: **William Meikle**, Glasgow. Design: **J T Stewart** and **J S Melville**. In memory of James and Alison Clarke.
	HALL	
ACC Planning, A1642		November 1949. Hut (as Church Hall). **Stevenson & Ferguson**, for Rodger Memorial Church.
CH2 532/24	3.10.1950	Hall opened 4.11.1950
	MANSE	
CO3/12/1/2	BBC 21.1.1902	Manse, Annbank; J B Wilson.
CO3/12/1/4	BBC 2.8.1904	House, Annbank; UF Church Trustees.

GOSPEL HALL

ACC Planning, 1246		November 1938, alterations to Gospel Hall, Annbank, for Ayrshire Christian Union.
CO 3/8/7/5	Bldg wrt BA2198	Granted 31.7.1969. Planning application C6338. W P Johnstone, Stranraer.

ST ANN'S R.C. CHURCH, Annbank Road, Mossblown

Shaw		1898?
AA 8.3.1898		We understand that offers have been accepted for the erection of a R C church, schoolhouse and clergyman's house. £1600.
AA 8.9.1898		Will be opened 11.9.1898.
GO 17.9.1898		A handsome edifice built in red and yellow brick reflects great credit in its builder, David Kirkland of Ayr. £800.
GO 24.9.1898		Is of Sanquhar brick, with corners bands and arches of Doura brick. £1800.
3SA, 1951, 588		Built 1898, as memorial to Canon Cameron who was responsible for its erection. 300 sittings.

AA, CO 3/10/2/236

20.7.1910	Agree to recommend to Diocese that an extension be formed from the gable end of the school to make one additional classroom. J K Hunter, Ayr, appointed as architect.
29.8.1910	Plans approved.
20.4.1911	New addition will be ready for August 1911.

ACC Planning, A7178 April 1954. Alterations, St Ann's R.C. Church; Stevenson & Ferguson.

GROTTO

Dillon, AC4, 1955-1957, 119 '1952. Recently all the ruins [of the Monastery of Fail] have been removed to furnish road material for Prestwick Aerodrome. A few stones were saved and now form a little grotto in the Catholic Church at Annbank.'

ANNBANK BOWLING GREEN

AP F1.7.1938, 16ab Formally opened Saturday 25.6.1938.

ANNBANK CEMETERY

AA, Th 13.4.1961, 15de Official ACC notice re proposed extension.

SAC, ACC Helath Committee 6.7.1961 Contract for extension let to Alexander Brothers, Kilmarnock, at £7082.

ANNBANK, JAMES BROWN MEMORIAL

ACC, RC 7.9.1953, 40	Reference to local committee, and proposed memorial. Have chosen a site on east side of Weston Avenue, but Roads Committee suggest opposite side of road.
ACC, PC 13.10.1953, 78	A6357, approved.
AA Th17.6.1954, 12de & 13(photo)	Monolith on three bases, with two pilasters surmounted with a Gothic pediment, and between the pilasters is a lamp with the eternal flame. Silver-grey Cretan [sic: = Creetown] granite.
AP F18.6.1954, 10ab & photo	Unveiled last Sunday.

ANNBANK, NEW HALL

AP, F 14.1.1949, 5a Reference.

ANNBANK, PLAYING FIELD

ACC Planning, A5536	January 1953. Playing Field, to east of Goodwin Drive, for Ayr District Council.
AA, Th 25.8.1955, 16b	To be formally opened Saturday 27.8.1955.
AA, Th 1.9.1955, 15bc	Formally opened last Saturday. Cost £2000, and took 3 years to construct.

PAVILION

ACC Planning, A7367 June 1954. Sports Pavilion, Playing Field, Annbank, for Ayr District Council.

ANNBANK PUBLIC HALL, Weston Avenue

AA, CO 3/10/5/23	EC 12.11.1963	Proposed dates (start/finish) for extension and remodelling of Village Hall to provide Community Centre. February 1965 – February 1967.
CO3/8/7/4	Bldg Wrt BA298	April 1965: Stevenson & Ferguson, architects, for Ayr DC. P App C1937.
AA, CO 3/10/5/28	GPSC 14.6.1968	Contract has commenced, and foundations of extension are complete.
AA, CO 3/10/5/29	GPSC 14.3.1969	Extension completed.
SVR 1968-1969		26th July 1968.
AA, Th 4.7.1968. 26a		To be opened F 26.7.1968
AA, Th 1.8.1968, 19abc		Formally opened last Friday.

ANNBANK SCHOOL [1] also known as WESTON SCHOOL

CO 3/10/2/229	17.10.1878	Built soon after William Cunningham succeeded to Enterkine.
AA, Th 16.4.1840, 4b		Weston School is to get an annual donation of £5 from the Ayrshire Educational Association: the first grant made by that body, founded in 1840.
CO 3/10/2/229	17.10.1878	Leased to George Taylor & Co after the estate was sold by William A Cunningham. Walls were raised, and an addition made, all at a cost of £270
AA 14.11.1872		School at Annbank opened last Thursday.
CO 3/10/2/229	23.10.1873	Report. Current roll is 372, average attendance 300, and space for 170. TSB's first suggestion of building a brick extension.
	17.3.1875	Agreement between George Taylor & Co and the TSB has now been signed.
	3.6.1875	A partition to be put up, to create separate infants' section.
	16.9.1875	Extension (brick) examined and approved.

ANNBANK SCHOOL [2] [in Annbank Station/Mossblown] [39 Annbank Road]

AA 7.8.1902		Conts - school, Annbank Station: J & H V Eaglesham.
AA 1.10.1903		Opened yesterday. Architect: John Eaglesham
BI 15/174	September 1904	TSB are about to begin on an addition to the new school buildings at Annbank Station and the same board is also in the market with plans for a headmaster's house and a janitor's house. The architects are J & H V Eaglesham, Ayr.
AA 8.9.1904		Conts for headmaster's and janitor's house and school additions, for TSB - J & H V Eaglesham.
CO3/12/1/4	BBC 1.11.1904	House, Annbank New School, TSB, J & H V Eaglesham
	BBC 7.3.1905	Janitors House, Annbank School, TSB; J & H V Eaglesham
AA 12.10.1911		Tenders - Infants School at Annbank - TSB; J & H V Eaglesham
CO3/12/1/6	BBC 5.12.1911	Additions, for TSB; J & H V Eaglesham.
ACC Planning, 4391		May 1947. Classrooms, Annbank P.S., for Ayr County Council.
AA, Th 28.10.1954, 3bcd		Photograph of School Football Team.
SRC, E(Sv), 29.1.1980, 320		Alterations, final measurements, £18,409.13p.
SRC, E(Sv), 29.6.1982, 1017		Proposal to rename as Mossblown P S, supported by Ayr No.1 Schools Council, but rejected by Regional Council.
[Internet, not noted]		1997, new pre-5 nursery, **Robert Potter & Partners**, Ayr
[Internet, not noted]		1998, upgraded infant block; re-roof main block, **Robert Potter & Partners**, Ayr
[Internet, not noted]		1999, general upgrading, including new services (heating, electricity, &c); new boiler house, new toilet block, all **Robert Potter & Partners**, Ayr.
[Internet, not noted]		2000, new link buildings, including offices, staff room, multipurpose and library areas, all **Robert Potter & Partners**, Ayr.
	DINING ROOM	
ACC Planning, 2869		November 1944. Dining Room, Annbank Public and R.C. Schools, for Ayr County Council.
	DINING UNIT	
AA, CO 3/10/5/33, GPC 19.1.1973		Tenders due
AA, CO 3/10/5/33, GPC 16.2.1973		Let to SGA (Buildings) Ltd., Glasgow, at £52,538, with a total project cost of £63,813.
AA, CO 3/19/1/22		c.October 1972. Job architect, A Boyd; assistant, J McMillan.

CHRISTIAN BRETHREN HALL, 1 School Brae

VR 1989/90	listed.

CLINIC, Janet Cottage, 4 Mauchline Road

ACC Planning, A2980	November 1950. Conversion to clinic, for Ayr County Council.
ACC, HhC 20.11.1950	Offer of Myton (Scotland) Ltd to build clinic, pram shed, garage, for £4093 15s 0d.

MOSSBLOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE (CLARKE MEMORIAL HALL), 43 Annbank Road.

AA, DHP		1924, **Allan Stevenson & Cassells**.
CO3/12/1/12	BBC 4.3.1924	Public Hall and Dwellinghouse, A; Allan Stevenson.
AP, F 12.2.1926, 3ab		Formally opened last Friday (5.2.1926). Gift of James A Clarke, coalmaster, Afton Lodge. [3b]: Allan Stevenson, architect. Red stone front elevation, brick roughcast otherwise. Open timber roof. 'A cinema box has been erected at the end of the hall'.
AP, F 16.10.1931, 5c		Electric light formally switched on last Friday.
AA, CO 3/10/5/30, GPC 20.3.1970		Passed into ACC control early in 1969.
nr		In February 1969, Clark Memorial Hall, Annbank, [gift of the late James Clark, coalmaster], re-opened, after extensive rebuilding, as Mossblown Community centre. Architect: Charles Toner, depute county architect.

LIBRARY, 3 Annbank Road, Mossblown

AA, CO 3/10/5/32	GPSC 14.1.1972	Agree to purchase site, at a cost of £320.
AA, CO 3/10/5/32	SBSC 11.1.1972	Contract agreed with S G A (Buildings) Ltd., Glasgow. £19,027.
AA, CO 3/10/5/32	GPSC 20.10.1972	Completed and occupied.
SVR 1972-1973		13 November 1972

NEW PEBBLE PARK

ACC Planning, 3073 July 1945. Pitch, and erection, for Annbank United F.C.

POLICE STATION, 25 Annbank Road, Mossblown

PUBLIC TOILETS, Mossblown

ACC Planning, A3701 June 1951, for Ayr County Council.

RECREATION GROUND, Annbank Mossblown Road

ACC Planning 1196 September 1938, conversion of coup to recreation ground, for Ayr District Council no.1,

ACC Planning, A5452 December 1952. Sports Pavilion, Annbank Station, for Ayr District Council.

ST. ANN'S R C SCHOOL

ACC, PHSC 3.7.1930 BBL. R.C. School, Annbank.

AP 11.4.1930 Contractors - new RC School, Annbank, for AEA; William Reid, county architect.

AP 28.8.1931 Now open.

ACC, TSSC (1945) Secondary section to close at end of 1944/45 session.

SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS

SRC, WSC 15.1.1985 Contract for civil works let to W & J Barr & Sons (Scotland) Ltd., Ayr, at £225,381.

TELEPHONE BOX

ACC Minutes, 1950 II, 92, Town Planning Cttee, 11.7.1950

Telephone Boxes to be erected in 1950 at Mossblown Toll (already in place), Bellsbank, Priestland, Perceton, Dalgarven, Overton and Burnton.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE, Station Road

ACC, Y/74/158 April 1974 J C Anderson, project architect, Scottish Telecom. Approval granted February 1975.

WESTON SCHOOL see ANNBANK SCHOOL (1)

WAR MEMORIAL, ANNBANK

AP 5.10.1923 Unveiled last Sunday. No details.

ACC, PAHC 15.3.1932 Annbank War Memorial: administration remains with parish council (i.e., not transferred to ACC)

AP, F 4.6.1948, 3 "The names of the men of Annbank who fell in the late war have been added to 1914-18 War memorial, and the unveiling takes place on Sunday. [In a photograph] Mr J McLachlan, Ayr, is seen chiselling the new names."

ACC Planning, A6357 August 1953. War Memorial, Annbank, for Robert Macewan, 32 Weston Avenue, Annbank.

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