

Saline and Steelend Community Council

Minute of Meeting of 29.05.12 in Saline Community Centre

1. Present

John Crane (chair), Marie Crane (treasurer), Dave Quinney (secretary) Irene Wardell, Donald Murdoch, Mary Mitchell, John Lyon, Helga Corp, Isobel Menzies, Muriel Phillips, Jean Alexander, Peter Ball, Jim Currie, Joan Featherstone, Roger Featherstone, Kay Jackson, Roddie Jones, Cllr Bobby Clelland, Billy Archibald

Action

2. Chair's Opening

The chair welcomed all to the meeting. He congratulated the successful election candidates and Cllr Clelland on his appointment as chair of the Area Committee

3. Apologies

W Walker MSP, D Chisholm, J Hensman, Cllrs Callaghan, Ferguson, and Stewart

4. Minute of 24.04.12

Proposed by Irene Wardell, seconded by Jean Alexander. There were no matters arising not covered by the agenda

5. Jubilee Celebrations

Billy Archibald outlined the arrangements for the celebrations relating to Saline Golf Club's centenary and Queen's Jubilee. It had been agreed that these would be held on Saturday 2nd June and run for the whole day with a wide variety of events and attractions for all. This has involved considerable fund raising and John Crane, seconded by Donald Murdoch, proposed a donation from the community council. A sum of £100 was agreed.

It was noted that Saline Historical society is holding a cream tea and open day at the museum on Jubilee Day and it was hoped that this would be well patronised

It was also noted that Saline Golf Club and Steelend Club wish to attract new members. D Quinney indicated that he had membership forms for anyone interested

Marie Crane

6. Councillors' Report

Cllr Clelland reported that the new Administration had changed Fife Council's set up that delegated more responsibilities to Areas. As noted by John Crane, he was now chair of the local Area Committee

Cllr indicated that the 4 local councillors had discussed attendance at community councils and that he, Cllr Callaghan and Cllr Ferguson had supported a continuation of the previous arrangement of each councilor being responsible for attendance at 3-4 community councils on the basis that residents could still contact any councillor.

Cllr Clelland will be attending Saline and Steelend, Oakley and Comrie and Blairhall Community Councils. However, Cllr Stewart has indicated that she will be attending all community councils.

7. Treasurer's Report

Marie Crane advised that the current balance is £197.49 less the £100 to be paid to Saline Golf Club. The grant from Fife Council (£647.40) has still to be received.

Funds for Bonfire Night have been ring fenced and a new fireworks catalogue has been received. To achieve maximum discount, it is necessary to order the fireworks

soon. This was agreed and it was remitted to John Crane and Mark Johnstone to organize this. It was also agreed that the Bonfire Night should be 3rd November

John
Crane/Mark
Kerr

8. Planning

Joan Featherstone reported on current planning applications that were uncontroversial. She advised on discussions with Development Services re the Saline Hotel site. Development Services are likely to recommend approval of the application as it stands as access from the rear is not feasible due to ownership complications.

Development Services have declined the community council's request for a meeting regarding The Glebe planning application on the grounds that this would be unproductive. Members were concerned at this response as the objective of the meeting was to promote a solution that minimised conflict. Accordingly, John Crane will write again to Development Services to confirm the community council's position and seek the proposed meeting.

Joan tendered her resignation as Planning Representative and this was reluctantly accepted by the chair

John
Crane

9. Secretary's Report

See attached report. From this it was agreed that

- Community Enterprise will be invited to a future meeting
- Dave Quinney will represent the community council at the meeting with "The Courier"
- Fife Council will be asked to remove the remaining play equipment from the redundant Oaklea play area. How this site should be treated thereafter will have to be discussed at some point

Dave
Quinney

10. The Glebe Planning Application

See agenda item 8 above

11. Comrie Colliery Site Liaisons Trust

Nothing to report

12. AOCB

a. Complaints have been received about the condition of the West Road park due to poor drainage, Matters are complicated by the site's archaeological importance but it was felt that solutions should be explored

b. Mary Mitchell reported on the Participatory Budgeting event. Saline First Responders Unit and Saline Historical Society had been successful but funding for the Bulletin and web site development had been rejected

c. It was noted that Linda Bogue had retired. It was agreed that she be invited to the next meeting so that the community council can express its appreciation of her help over the years

d. It was noted that the next Police liaison meeting will be on 4th July at 7pm in Oakley. It was also noted that the community council has no control over the dates and venues for these meetings

Dave
Quinney

14. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 26th June 2012 at 7.30 in Saline Community Centre

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