

Culross Community Council

Minute of Ordinary Meeting of the Council on 4th April 2016 Held in The Town House, Culross

Present:
CCC Cllr Tim Collins (Chairperson)
CCC Cllr Robin MacKenzie (Treasurer)
CCC Cllr David Alexander (Vice Chairperson)
CCC Cllr Robert Nelson
CCC Cllr Clare Short
In Attendance:
Cllr Kate Stewart
D MacKenzie
Apologies Submitted:
CCC Cllr Ben Cook
Cllr Willie Ferguson
Elaine Longmuir (NTS)

The meeting started at 7.00pm with Cllr Tim Collins in the Chair.

Agenda Item	Narrative	Action & Owner
	The Chair welcomed all present.	
1. Apologies	Elaine Longmuir (NTS) Ben Cook Willie Ferguson	
2. Special Item	The meeting took time to say thank you to a long serving member who is taking a sabbatical from the council. Diane was enthusiastically thanked by all for her many efforts on behalf of the community. Recognising her outstanding contribution, all wished her well in her well earned break.	
2a. NTS	None	
2b. Other Group	<p>Angus had attended the ash lagoon liaison group meeting and gave a brief summary of the current status of the Longannet closure program.</p> <p>There has been little change since the last report.</p> <p>SP have a planning application to change the finished profile of the lagoons.</p> <p>Concern was again expressed that an insurance bond should be established to ensure the financial viability of the restoration works to both the lagoons and the power station area.</p> <p>Concerns were also raised about the long term upkeep of the sea wall around the lagoons. The section along the railway embankment being the responsibility of Network Rail.</p> <p>Various proposals for the future of the area are under consideration. It was noted that the Scottish government had not provided the £9m sought by the task force for regeneration projects in the area and elsewhere.</p> <p>There is an on line petition to try and get a change to this.</p>	
3. Approval of Last Minute	Moved DA seconded RM	
4. Matters	It was noted that the date for the next meeting was in error.	

Arising from last Meeting		
5. Treasurer's Report	<p>RM presented the Treasurer's Report. Current A/c balance: £1,223 Environmental A/c balance: £60,876 Advised that funds were available to replace some of the flower tubs and to seed the picnic area next to the play park. The FC grant has been received and all the outstanding insurance costs have now been paid leaving a small balance from this years grant. This years floral grant is pending.</p>	
6. Correspondence	<p>No hard copy correspondence Emails at the YAHOO email account were outlined and the main item was from FC advising that they would redraw the common ground boundary at the drying green. Nothing further on the empty property issue as yet. TC to write again</p>	TC
7. Chairperson's Report	<p>The seniors trip to Holyrood went well and they all enjoyed the guided tour arranged by Cara Hilton MSP and brilliantly executed by Margaret McCulloch. Currently looking at the next destination – suggestions on a post card to</p> <p>I have no progress to report, as yet, on the availability of funds and resources to refurbish the public toilets. NTS (Elaine Longmuir) has said she will action the 2 tubs in the square. As we are a Royal Burgh and it is HM's 90th birthday this year, it has been suggested that we organise some form of event for the 21st April. Suggestions, see below at Point 12. Petition to Scottish Government to fund the regeneration following closure of Longannet power station is on 38 Degrees – please sign it. I have had minimum feedback on the nasty smell issue – going to drop it now. I have had no notice of meetings for the West fife Villages Forum for some time.</p>	TC TC
8. FC Cllr's Report	<p>FC are liaising with SP on the closure and the status of the lagoons. There is a fund available for regenerating old land and buildings which may be useful to CCC</p>	TC
9. External Meeting Reports	<p>Diane gave a brief summary of the Play Park progress. Issues between FC and the contractor appear to be resolved and work has recommenced on site. It was agreed that an official opening should be held around the time of the Gala with a personality attending if possible.</p>	RM
10. Planning	No issues other than the Lagoon application from SP.	
12. Any Other Competent Business	<p>BC working on the Newsletter. A beacon at the end of the pier on the 21st April seemed the best idea and DA to discuss with Ken Munnoch.</p>	
13. Date of Next Meeting	Next Meeting – Monday 9 th May 2016, 7pm in the Town House	

The meeting ended at: 8.35pm