

Culross Community Council

Minute of Ordinary Meeting of the Council on 6th March 2017
Held in The Town House, Culross

Present:	Members of the Public
CCClr Tim Collins, Chairperson	
CCClr David Alexander, Vice Chairperson	Sandy Tippett
CCClr Robert Nelson	Graham Graham
CCClr Diane MacKenzie	Abby Paton
CCClr Ben Cook	Jo Watson
CCClr Angus Carmichael	Lora Graham
	Tom Cosgrove
In attendance:	
Clr Kate Stewart	
Clr. Willie Ferguson	
Apologies Submitted:	
CCClr Clare Short	
CCClr Robin MacKenzie	
Community Police Officers	

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

Agenda Item	Narrative	Action BY
	The Chair welcomed all present.	
1. Apologies	As above	
2 NTS	None	
2a. Other Group	A report from The Community Police was tabled	
3. Approval of Last Minute	Moved DA Seconded TC	
4. Matters Arising from last Meeting	None	
5. Treasurer's Report	RMK email report circulated in the absence of RMK. It was agreed that the environmental account should be used for the holding and accounting for the FWF money. Account balances as at 28/2/17: Current A/c: £2,726 Environmental A/c: £2,215	TC
6. Correspondence	There was no hard copy correspondence. Correspondence through the yahoo email account is available to members and there is nothing of note at this time.	
7. Chairperson's Report	The residual issue around the play park remains the inaccessible toddler slide. CCC met with the supplier and agreed to try the option of an additional step. The date of the Public Inquiry was Tuesday 29th November 2016 The outcome is expected later this month. The register of office holders of the various active voluntary groups and trusts has stalled due to a lack of responses from	TC

	<p>some. The next issue of the Newsletter is in train. An application for funds to refurbish the toilet block has been successful An application for funds to aid the restoration of the Pier has been unsuccessful An application for funds to rewire the Stables has been successful. An application for funds to install a bench on the cycle way at Dunimarle has been successful. Congratulations to all.</p> <p>CDT agreed to move forward with the first stage of the process to take ownership of the toilet block via a CAT from FC. More detail of the proposals and finance are required prior to a final decision to seek a CAT in stage two of the process.</p> <p><i>A discussion on the operation of CAT was allowed at this point</i></p> <p>It has been suggested that the current Stables Trust should be disbanded and the Community interest in the Stables safeguarded by an alternate body. One option would be for CDT to take responsibility. As there are a number of mutual trustees, this should not be a big issue. The management committee are to determine their preferred option and revert. The football field changing facility has been declared unfit and the Valleyfield team seem to have raised funds to move rather than refit the changing facility. The future use of the park needs to be decided. It was not known if other groups were paying for and using the park. Community Payback have carried out some tasks around the village.</p>	WF
<p>8. FC Cllr's Report</p>	<p>Cllr WF gave a comprehensive summary of items affecting Culross. The current unsatisfactory situation with the bus routes and timing is being negotiated with the service provider. Options were being considered including the route 28 Fife Bus. The possibility of a local bus being available seems a bit remote at this time. The current situation is not satisfactory and access is an issue. The bus situation to be kept under review and CCC to maintain pressure on FC to provide a service. The Kincardine bridge is part closed for essential repairs. Expected to take 4 – 5 months The issue of overnight parking in the East Car Park is a problem. There is no easy way to prevent access as this car park is used by the touring buses. The current method of using the power of FC does take time but does get the result eventually. There is a policy of non harassment to meet the requirements of national laws relating to discrimination and other matters. Cllr KS gave a brief summary of her visit to Culross with FC housing managers. Described the activities of WASPI which is an organisation focussed around womens pension issues. Advised that a new group – Dunfermline and West Fife Heritage Network – will meet in Oakley Community Centre 28th April at 14:00 hrs – all welcome. Advised she had some useful FC officer contact information including CAT officers and would send this on to CCC Also advised that a CAT was being pursued for the Valleyfield Woods.</p>	WF KS
<p>9. External Meeting</p>	<p>None. Next ash lagoon meeting conflicts with CRT meeting. AL and TC will attend one meeting each and report back</p>	AC TC

Reports		
10. Planning	No contentious issues notified at this time	
11. Any Other Competent Business	<p>This years Farmers Market and Village Fete are a cause for concern due to the departure of key active members. RN advised that 20th August is the current date which should tie in with the Gala dates.</p> <p>All agreed that it is desirable to maintain the momentum of this event which was very well attended in 2016.</p> <p>The outgoing members have yet to forward the essential information for an effective transfer to a new team.</p> <p>RN advised that the church group would take a pitch and that bookings are already being received for further pitches.</p> <p>This event insurance had previously been undertaken by the church group and it was suggested that CCC insurance could cover but a premium would be charged and notification in advance would be essential.</p> <p>The next meeting of this group is to take place on Tuesday 8/3 in the Valleyfield Church.</p> <p>The Festival is another cause for concern at this time as the prime mover is relocating and not easily accessible.</p> <p>Dates appear to be set but acts and running order have yet to be advised. There is space reserved in the Newsletter for the Festival Information but it has passed its deadline for copy. BC agreed to hold open until Friday. DA agreed to contact the organisers to press for information.</p> <p>The Hogmanay event 2016 was discussed briefly. Although there were some who considered the event was successful there were those critical of the format. No agreement was reached and this issue was held over until after the Gala Committee had reviewed the event themselves.</p> <p>DMK tabled some large prints and it was agreed that copies of these be laminated and fixed to the Dun boarded up windows in an attempt to make this area less down at heel.</p> <p>The recently acquired railway image was also suggested.</p> <p>There ensued a technical discussion on the images and it was suggested that Ian Preston may hold the originals</p> <p>There is a small sum (£23.45) remaining in the Floral fund and it was agreed to spend this on the Stables environ enhancement.</p> <p>DA suggested that there may be a tub still to be allocated and BC welcomed both the tub offer and the money.</p> <p>It was noted that the bollards at the entrance to the play Park were missing since the installation contractor had access. These require to be replaced. CCC to write to FC for a solution.</p> <p>A street sign, paid for by the community has gone missing from Back Street. The owner of the house which mounted the sign is to be encouraged to replace the sign.</p> <p>Footpath sign on the road to Blair Mains Farm to be relocated.</p> <p>Cherry tree to be planted in the bed on the green</p>	<p>TC</p> <p>TC</p> <p>DA</p> <p>DMK</p> <p>DA BC</p>
12. Date of Next Meeting	<p>Next Meeting – Monday 3rd April 2017, 7:00pm in the Town House.</p> <p>The chair thanked the large number of the public for attending and contributing.</p>	

The meeting ended at: 8.45pm