

CHARLESTOWN, LIMEKILNS AND PATTIESMUIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE GELLET HALL, ON 29th JANUARY 2019

1. **Present:** Martin Mulube, Callum MacInnes, Rob Thompson, Geoff Cartwright, Martin John Callanan, Don Briggs, Lesley Scott, Andrew Aldous, Paul Byford
2. **In Attendance:** Cllr Orton, Cllr Steele, Cllr Verrecchia, Lorna Stewart (Broomhall Estate), Tom Leatherland, Fiona Thompson, Sheila & Robin Hutton, B&B owner from Grange Rd, Karen Hart and PC Ian Fraser.
3. **Apologies:** None Received
4. **Resignation:** Sue Hamilton has resigned.
5. **Minutes of the meeting of November 27th 2018**
 - a. Sheila Hutton requested a minor correction in that the College Club received a donation rather than rental charge for use of the College Club premises in Pattiesmuir. Correction duly accepted.
 - b. This being the only amendment proposed the minutes were approved: Proposed by Rob, Seconded by Callum .
6. **Structure and CC Membership**
 - a. **Update on Current Membership:** Following the last meeting Sue Hamilton took the decision to stand down as a member of the Community Council after many years' service. The CC would like to extend its thanks to the incredible service that Sue has shown to the community over that time and for her selfless dedication to trying to make our communities better places to live and work.
 - i. During that time Sue has led and organised many campaigns on behalf of the village to improve facilities from the play parks for the benefit of the children and families to the increased safety and ability to access the village through the development of the main junctions in and out of the village to ensuring that the planning and development that is planned around our community was sympathetic to local needs and actively working to ensure that the shops and services at the heart of our community are maintained.
 - ii. There's no question that our villages and communities have significantly benefited from the care, trouble and attention that Sue has provided. Within the CC we will sorely miss her knowledge and expertise across all areas of the CC work.
 - iii. We will take some time to consider how best we can recognize and thank Sue properly for everything that she has done over the next few meetings, if you have any thoughts or suggestions please let us know.
 - b. **Roles and Office Bearers:** Paul Byford and Don Briggs, who had applied for the Community Council Elections but at that time were not on the Electoral Role were welcomed to their first meeting as appointed members. Because of the previous Secretary's withdrawal from the CC, the Chair invited nominations for the roles which required to be filled taking the opportunity to seek a new Treasurer, a role he had been undertaking while the new Council settled in. The following posts were filled unopposed and unanimously
 - i. Vice Chair – Geoff Cartwright Proposed: Martin Callanan Seconded: Callum MacInnes
 - ii. Treasurer – Paul Byford Proposed: Martin Callanan Seconded: Rob Thompson
 - iii. Secretary – Martin Callanan Proposed: Geoff Cartwright Seconded: Martin Mulube
 - iv. Minutes Secretary – Vacant: After discussion agreed that members would rotate role for now
 - c. At this point Councillor Orton wished to intercede. He acknowledged that many of his concerns, expressed privately to the Chair earlier by email had been addressed but he wished to reiterate that in his opinion Community Council Members should be fully cognisant of the "Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils" and that they should carry out their business accordingly. He then outlined his remaining concerns which appeared centred around an erroneous understanding of the sequence of events since the last Community Council meeting. Once the Chair explained the actual sequence Councillor Orton seemed content.
 - d. Signatories relating to new office bearer roles. The designated scheme of authority for our banking requires us to record signing authorisations, I suggest that we maintain any two signatories from Chair Martin Mulube, Treasurer Paul Byford, Vice-Chair Geoff Cartwright and Secretary Martin Callanan.

7. Police Report(added item as Police in attendance)

- a. PC Ian Fraser introduced himself and gave brief update on LCP area – nothing of note to report.
- b. He provided the Secretary with his and his colleagues joint twitter account which provides update on their activities in their area. (See Limekilns & Charlestown Notice Board on Facebook for link).
- c. He warned that he and his colleague may be seconded to other duties depending on how Brexit evolved.

8. Plastics Initiative.

- a. Andrew gave Jo's apologies and announced that ARRAN had narrowly beaten us to the status of the first "Plastic Free" Community in Scotland. He explained that this applied to single use plastic only and acknowledged that most of the community and local businesses were endeavouring to eliminate "single use" plastic wherever possible.
- b. Jo's Message was please keep spreading the word with friends and neighbours and where you see good practice thank those involved be it a small business, the school or any other village organisation.
- c. The CC undertook to write to all local businesses yet to get onboard to offer support and ask how we as a community might assist.
- d. The CC undertook to help with funding and ask school to help with designing a litter notice for entrance/exits from villages.

9. Broomhall Estate

- a. Lorna updated the meeting on approval to proceed to first phase of development with 70 conditions.
- b. Geoff (the CC point of contact) stated that the CC were determined to seek the positives from the potential development and looked forward to a programme that took account of opportunities to improve facilities and environment for all those involved. Key major concerns were vehicular and pedestrian impact on the environment, medical personnel and facilities and secondary school opportunities.
- c. Lorna also took the opportunity to acknowledge the continued issue with potholes and the sea wall at Red Row. **[PMN: Well done the Estate the Old Orchard sealed access has been re-covered with hardboard sheet – looks much tidier]**

10. Woodland Trust

- a. The 120 saplings will be delivered in early March.
- b. The intention is to have a preparation event on Sunday 17 Feb 1-3pm to dig a trench in the gaps of the hedgerow on east side of access to Limekilns Village above the Brae.
- c. Don (p.o.c for this item) noted that a good friend who is a Trustee of the Woodland Trust was available for help and support.

11. Outstanding Community Council Actions.

- a. The Chair stated that the intention of the Action Tracker was to demonstrate what was ongoing who was the lead/point of contact on each action and to provide a proposed way forward.
- b. War memorial path works.
 - i. Rob as Lead /poc stated that with the advice of the Lime Centre and Catharine Idle it was intended to continue minor improvements around the WM site.
- c. Main Street road markings
 - i. Rob reported that he had requested Bill McKissock to submit a defect report on the Fife Council website and that he would do so himself as belt and braces. **[PMN – Report submitted on Wednesday and acknowledged by FC Transport section].**
- d. Pitliver salt-bin.
 - i. Ongoing
- e. Bus Transportation
 - i. Annie Nally and Lorna Wilkie to pursue requirements of community over the next few months.
- f. Mugshots
 - i. Ongoing.

12. Councillors.

- a. Councillor Steele raised the prospect of a Joint Campus for a new Secondary school(s) and Fife College in Dunfermline being much closer as the administration finalises its budget.
- b. Councillor Steele asked us to check locations of grit bins. [PMN - MC has provided Councillor Steele with current locations of grit bins, which will be checked against what should be present]

13. AOCB

- a. Tom noted that he attended the Fife Waste Recycling Workshop and film plastic, and card terapaks would now need to be put in Blue Bins. All households will receive printed guidance. He was encouraged that there was to be a common waste recycling strategy across Scotland for the first time. [PMN - members of community have already shared this on village noticeboard Facebook page]

14. Date of Next Meeting: Tues 26th February 2019 7.30pm: Queen's Hall tbcl.