



Minutes for Community Council Meeting
Time : 7pm on 26th May 2015

Location : Tommy Downs room at the Alloa Town Hall, Mars Hill, Alloa, Clackmannanshire FK10 1AB

The meeting started at 7.10pm.

Present

Anna Forbes (Chair), Jennie Syme, Cameron Little, Bill Thomson, Kenny Earle [Councilor], Carlyn Fraser [Clackmannanshire Council], Reggie Ryles (Police).

Public observers:- John Pedew, Muriel Lockerbie.

Welcome, and introductions

Anna Forbes welcomed all to the meeting.

Apologies

Simon Karner, Ewan Murray, Bill Duncanson.

Conflicts of Interest

No Conflicts of Interest declared

Police report

For April 2015

Violence – 17 recorded – 7 of which were detected

Theft – 18 recorded – 7 of which were detected

Anti-social behavior – 19 recorded - 11 of which were detected

Road Traffic – 76 recorded incidents all of which were detected

Personnel changes:- PS Kevin Chase has left, replaced by PS Catherine Sharkey

Cllr. Earle raised concerns about the fact that CCTV was not continually monitored. ACC have written to Clackmannanshire Council seeking clarification and are awaiting a response.

Approval of Minutes

Proposed – Bill Thomson
Seconded – Jenny Syme

Matters Arising

Platform 9. Cameron gave feedback on the latest communications.

Communication with the public. Cameron asked why the proposed notification of Transport Scotland's survey had not appeared in the local press and previously discussed. Councilor Earle suggested he have a word with the Editor to see if the Community council could have a regular column. Bill Thomson suggested it be a column that all Community Councils fed into that way there was more chance of material being available on a regular basis. Anna to raise at next JCC [29/5/15]

Speaker: Carlyn Fraser – Main topic- traffic calming in the Claremont area.

Historically in 2010 residents raised concerns regarding road safety on Claremont where there had been 6 accidents involving pupils attending Alloa Academy. Only one accident has occurred in the past 5 years [Alloa Academy pupils in a car]

The new budget for road safety allows the Claremont area to be prioritized this financial year. This includes Kelly Place. Any improvements are based on reported facts and in a response to what has happened. There have been requests from local residents and ACC for traffic calming measures and pedestrian crossings. Subsequent investigation by Clackmannanshire Council has shown that if a pedestrian crossing was sited on the A907 with its junction with Claremont it would be more dangerous than the current situation. The reasons for this were fully explained.

There is currently £60k available to make improvements and a map of the area with suggested modifications was tabled and discussed. This map and list of proposed modifications is to be put out for public consultation shortly by the Council. This will be advertised in the local press and on Council websites. ACC asked if they could be told in advance of this consultation period so that they could spread the word through their social media outlets.

Speed limits on the A907 at Redwell Primary school were discussed and a report has been submitted to Heads of Service for approval and presentation to committee. Clackmannanshire Council are liaising with the Safety Camera Partnership for advice of types of signage best suited to the site.

Cameron raised a concern relating to the traffic light sequences on the lights at Asda/Aldi junction. Carolyn stated that they were compliant with traffic regulations and designed to reduce traffic backing up onto Shillinghill/King St. ACC to further investigate matter.

Cllr. Earle spoke about proposed alterations to rail bridge parapets due to take place.

ACC thanked Carolyn for her presentation.

QBR Flagstone

Jennie reported that the flagstone would be ready on Monday 1st June for collection and the cost would be £50. Anna to take the receipt to the JCC for Ian Green. Jennie to liaise with Kenny Inglis [Clacks Council] regarding pickup of the stone. Bill available to help if required.

Ceremony scheduled to take place on Thursday 25th June at 4pm. Invites on ACC headed paper need to go out to all invitees either by post or email. Bill suggested AlloaAlloa were asked to do the catering. Attendee numbers needed for this to happen. Simon to be asked to explore this option on his return from Norway.

Greenfield House sale

Discussion took place on this issue. Concerns were raised by Cllr. Earle regarding speculation posted on ACC emails which were unfounded. Care must be taken to ensure that any information posted by ACC and its members is fully validated first to avoid any possible litigation.

Skate Park

Members of the team wish to attend the next ACC meeting to outline their proposals. They have requested a meeting with ACC members at 4pm on Thursday 4th June. Bill T. to attend.

Treasurers Report

Balance healthy. Still problems with signatories. Anna to visit bank to clarify issues.

Transport Report

Cameron and Bill met with Alastair Young from Transport Scotland at Stirling station to discuss the issue of platform 9. The meeting was productive and a feasibility study has been initiated to look at various options needed to resolve the problem. ACC may be able to support this by writing to Stirling Council expressing their concerns and the concerns of the travelling public using the station.

Date of Next Meeting

30th June 2015

The meeting concluded at 9.10pm.