

Minutes for Community Council Meeting Time : 7pm on 23rd June 2015

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

The meeting started at 7.00pm.

Present

Anna Forbes (Chair), Jennie Syme, Cameron Little, Bill Thomson, Mary Fox (Youth Services), Lauren Macpherson (Police Scotland)

Welcome, and introductions

Anna Forbes welcomed all to the meeting.

Apologies

Simon Karner, Ewan Murray, Kenny Earle

Conflicts of Interest

No Conflicts of Interest declared

As only four members of Alloa CC were present, it was agreed that the meeting could continue but not decisions could be made as the quorum had not been met.

Alloa Skate Park initiative.

Mary Fox addressed the meeting and gave an update on progress on the skate park initiative at the Bowmar Centre. The tendering process has been completed and the contract is about to be awarded to a contractor. The project is still on track to be completed by 31st August 2015 with a provisional date of 19th September being given for the official opening day.

Meetings have taken place with the young people concerned with the project and they have formulated a proposal for events on the day to include stunt activities, live music, community stalls and food stalls. The open day is likely to last from 12.00 – 3.00pm. Planning is coming together and it is proposed that a number of groups who make use of the Bowmar Centre will showcase their activities. ACC acknowledged the work done by Mary and her team and offered support where needed. Jennie to be the main contact for ACC with the group.

Mary also stated that a significant funding stream was available to the area for a community project. The sum of £40k was being made available for communities in the "coalfields" area of Alloa. £20k was being earmarked for the Bowmar Centre but the remainder still had to be allocated and bid were being sought from community groups. No timescale was noted. Pauline Douglas was the contact person.

Police report

For May 2015

123 offences reported, 90 of which had been detected.

Violence – 20 recorded – 15 of which were detected

Vandalism – 23 recorded – 13 detected

Anti-social behavior – 21 recorded - 20 of which were detected

Road Traffic - 50 recorded incidents all of which were detected

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

Police Scotland continue to encourage members of the public to report and incidents and information through their 101 contact.

Further discussion took place on matching police reports to incident in Wards and to see if current targets are being met. This had been raised at a recent JCC meeting. Police Scotland are also looking at this

QBR Flagstone

Bill T reported there was an issue with the flagstone. The initial stone had been the wrong size and a new engraving had to be subsequently commissioned. This still had not been completed and time was running out. Jennie was to contact the stonemason on the 24th June to ensure the stone was completed for laying prior to Thursday's ceremony. Anna stated that Alloa Alloa were contracted to do the catering for 30 guests. Bill T asked about the formalities of the ceremony and Anna stated that she would say a few words and the Lord Lieutenant would unveil the stone. BT had purchased a Saltire flag to cover the stone for the unveiling ceremony.

Leads Report

Planning: Design brief for Grange School was discussed along with other current submissions.

Date for next meeting:- 29th September 2015