



Minutes for Community Council Meeting
Time : 7pm on 23rd February 2016

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

Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting - please arrive on time as the meeting will start promptly.

1. **Welcome**, and introductions

Meeting started by ...

Present Cameron Little, Bill Thomson, Jennie Syme, Anna Forbes, Simon Karner, Rosa Orlandi, , Malcolm Jones, Kenny Earle [Cllr], David Topliff [Link Up Alloa], Neal Kennedy [Police], W.Milne [public]

2. **Apologies**

Michael Sortain-Smith, Lorraine Douglas, Ewan Murray, Ellen Forson [Cllr].

3. **Police report**

PC Neal Kennedy gave the Police Report
421 calls since last meeting.

Recorded Crime – 130 crimes, 63 undetected giving a detection rate of 51%
Parking inappropriately in the Town Centre. Drivers continue to park in disabled spaces, loading bays and double yellow lines. A number of tickets have been issued but clearer signage is needed on loading bay areas if police are to act.

Anti-social behavior in the Town Centre is another issue the police are currently having to deal with. Several charges have been made and the level of this type of behavior is now starting to decrease.

The full Police Report is available on the ACC website.

4. **Matters arising** from previous minute

Cllr. Earle updated the meeting on the current position with Greenfield House. No plans have been submitted to date. He also stated, for the record, that there would be no building taking place in Greenfield Park itself.

Cameron indicated a correction to Item 7, James Ledgerwood worked with Abellio Scotland and not Network Rail as stated in the minute.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

Proposed : Cameron Little
Seconded : Malcolm Jones

6. **Bowmar CRT Grant**

Simon explained what the grant was about. Jennie told the meeting that, according to advice from our auditors, we could not accept the payment without a fully detailed plan in place. Simon to advise CRT that we cannot apply for the grant.

7. **Community Event**

Simon tabled the question "Do we [ACC] hold an event this year and, if so, what type, when and where will it be held. David Topliff [Link Up Alloa] spoke to the meeting and stated that his organization was willing to support any event the ACC committed to provided it was within their area which is SE Alloa. The meeting agreed an event would be beneficial to the town and settled on a Gala type event. A date of 4th June was accepted as suitable and discussions took place on a suitable location. Suggestions were The Walled Garden, Alloa Tower, The Rugby Club, Bowmar Community Centre or Greenfield. Cameron and Simon are to explore these areas at the weekend to ascertain suitability in terms of size, access and toilet facilities. They are to report back ASAP to allow the ACC to make an appropriate approach to secure the site for that date.

8. **Community Plan**

There is currently no plan in place. Members of the public have been asked twice what is their vision for Alloa. Nothing has been done with the data and if was felt that that needed correcting. Simon stated he would look to plans from other groups to draw inspiration from and bring it back to the table for consultation.

9. **ACC Future Agendas**

Bill expressed concern at the lack of structure in the compilation of meeting agendas and made some proposals. These were;

1. Any member of the ACC can ask for an item to be put on the agenda. This must be done by two weeks prior to the next meeting [One week for something urgent and sanctioned by the Chair/Vice-Chair]
2. The secretary will forward the draft agenda to the Chair and Vice-Chair two weeks before the next meeting. They will then prioritize issues and decide which items stay on the agenda. The final agenda will be returned to the Secretary within seven days for distribution.
3. The Secretary will issue the final agenda to all members of the ACC one week prior to the next meeting at which time the agenda will also be made available to members of the public.
4. Any additional items members of the ACC wish to raise may be done through AOCB during the meeting

These proposals were agreed by the meeting and will be adopted henceforth.

10. **Office Bearers Reports**

Treasurer's report was given.

Secretary: Scottish Civic List place Names: It was decided not to adopt an Alloa.Scot domain as the costs could not be justified and our current provider works well.

Stirling Low Carbon Future: ACC could not see an area where it could contribute to this scheme.

JCCF: Simon reported that there was a timetable for Community Council elections due to take place in September [This timetable may vary due to the proposed referendum]. Simon also stated that an agreement had been reached to share assets amongst CCs when requested. Assets would still remain the property of the lending CC.

Transport: Cameron informed the group that the warning lights were now working at Lorinshill but monitoring will still continue.

Platform9 – A response was received from Keith Brown stating that he was continuing to monitor the situation and that the issue had gone back to Network rail to carry out another feasibility study. KB offered a contact at Transport Scotland for ACC to link with. Cameron to pursue this link and feed back to the ACC.

Community issues: It was reported by a number of members that complaints had been received regarding the poor state of some of the roads in Alloa with potholes and broken surfaces. BT to contact Charlie Norman and ask for the Council's position on a program for repairs.

11. **AOCB**

No response had been received from the request to have James Ledgerwood of Abellio Scotland address an ACC meeting. Cameron assured us that the contact used was valid therefore BT to make a renewed request.

Date of next meeting.

29th March 2016.