



Minute of Royal Burgh of Annan Community Council 9th March 2015

The Chair Neil MacIntyre welcomed all.

Present:

Community Councillors: Neil MacIntyre, Joyce Wylie, Marion Stewart, Allan Weild, Bunty Taylor, Alan Kay, Tommy Woodman, Walter Hunt,

D&G Councillors: No Councillors in attendance

In Attendance: Rod Edgar, Annandale Observer, Don Barty

Apologies: John Bonner, Sylvia Moore, Sean Marshall

Minute of 9/2/15 was approved by Joyce and Alan

Matters Arising: Defibrillator: Joyce contacted Julie at the Town Hall but is still awaiting a response. She advised the meeting that Moffat had 3 defibrillators for use in the town. Joyce will follow this up and report back next month.

Common Good: Alan reported back from the Common Good meeting where the costs of renting John Bell field was discussed and was disappointed that only one of the Councillors backed the Community Council's position. He also felt that the report in the Annan Observer was very one sided and did not get the low costs over to the public. Alan felt in his professional opinion the Council were not getting full income from Common Good Land.

Police Report: PC Iain Leggett reported as follows: 4 Assaults, 3 thefts, 5 vandalisms, 1 theft of a quad bike, 4 thefts by shoplifting, 1 hate crime, 12 breach of the peace, 5 involving domestic incidents, 1 breach of bail, 2 fraud, 2 drug offences, 2 civic governance offences, 1 Licencing Scotland (Act) 2005 offence and a breach of anti-social behaviour order.

Road Traffic: 2 reported for driving without a licence, 1 person issued with FPT for not wearing a seatbelt, 1 issued a ticket for parking on DYL.

Significant Occurrences: A male and female accompanied by a child bought items in Annan and Langholm with counterfeit £50 notes. Shopkeepers have been alerted. The Community Police are working with DGHP and the Council to alleviate issues within Hillview Crescent.

Community Warden Report: Robert Piercy reported anti-social behaviour issues in Charles Street and Drummond Road. They have also dealt with a Quad Bike problem. The Hillview Crescent issues previously notified are being monitored by CCTV. Issued 1 dog fouling fine.

Treasurers Report: Allan reported: General Account £6256.39, The Web Account is £2728.91

Correspondence: Marion advised the meeting of correspondence received from the Planning and Environment Department regarding the new Trusted Trader Scheme. We have been asked to promote the scheme within the Community. This was agreed by all attending the meeting

Minutes from the February Area Committee were left for Councillors to peruse.

Planning Applications were received and left for Community Councillors to peruse.



A discussion took place regarding the distribution of MINSKA year 7 Money. Following a full discussion it was agreed the Community Councillors would consider projects brought to the next meeting, Graeme seconded by Joyce proposed that if there was any money remaining it would be kept for projects that may occur later in the year.

It was agreed that the only project not completed last year was the repair of monuments at Whinney Rigg and Waterfoot proposed by Tommy last year. Tommy and Joyce to take forward.

Members Report

Joyce: Advised that she had been contacted to consider reigniting the twinning of Annan with Following a long discussion it was decided to forward the request to both the Rugby Club and the Football club for them to pursue if it fitted their development.

Joyce advised there is a problem with flooding at the Chapel of rest and Path in Carlisle Road. She has contacted Harthill regarding this.

Joyce attended Scottish Parliament training at Dumfries. She found this very informative and attended workshops on Help Me Help You, Engaging with the Community, Cross Party Groups and Social Media. The hospitality was great.

Joyce also advised the meeting that along with Walter she will attend the Station Adopters Meeting arranged by Scotrail.

Alan Kay: Alan advised the meeting that the Advertising/Directional boards are now with the Council and ready to be erected. He hopes they will be up by the next meeting. He will liaise with Linda Richardson on this. He will also discuss an invoice to be sent to Scotrail.

Marion Stewart: Nothing to report.

Bunty Taylor: Raised the issue about issues not being dealt with and feels that the Community Council is not making enough fuss about issues.

Tommy Woodman: Nothing to Report

Graeme Wellburn: Graham advised that the traffic lights at Butt Street have now been re-set and traffic should move more freely.

Walter: Nothing to report

AOCB: Don Barty advised the meeting that he thought the updated Web site was good but needed more publicity.

Marion advised the meeting that the next meeting will be the AGM and Allan asked that if there were any outstanding accounts they should be in by the 31st of March 2015.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

The next meeting will be the AGM followed by the ordinary meeting on the 13th April 2015 at 7pm.