



## *The Royal Burgh of Annan Community Council*

Victoria Halls Meeting Room, Annan

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2015 @ 7pm

Open Meeting and Welcome All

Apologies

Minutes of Last Meeting

Matters Arising

Police Report

Community Safety Officer

Speaker: Nigel Catterson

Solway Tidal Project

Treasurers Report

Correspondence

Councillors Report

Members Report

Public Forum

AOCB

Date and Time of Next Meeting: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2015 @ 7pm

Meeting closed at 21:05



Minute of Royal Burgh of Annan Community Council 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015

**The Chair Joyce Wylie welcomed all**

**Present:**

Community Councillors: **Neil MacIntyre, Allan Weild, Bunty Taylor, Alan Kay Graeme Wellburn, Sylvia Moore, Walter Hunt, Rhona McCarton**

D&G Councillors: **Ian Carruthers**

In Attendance: **Rod Edgar, Insp Graham Kerr, P.S – McCaughey**

**Members of the public**

Apologies: **John Bonner, Marion Stewart, R Brodie, Tommy Woodman**

Minute of 11/5/15: **Approved by Alan Kay, Seconded by Neil MacIntyre**

Matters Arising:

**Alan Kay thought a rep from the council was to attend our meeting regarding the flower beds in the town. Joyce is meeting with him at 16:00hrs on 15/6/15 at Seaforth Avenue to explain the facts of taking over the upkeep of the beds, insurance, H&S etc. Robert Lowther will be in attendance.**

Police Report:

**Police reported the following: 4 Assaults, 6 Thefts, 6 Vandalisms- 2 as a result of domestic incident, 7 Drug Offences which included possession and supplying, 2 Theft by Shoplifting, 1 Breach of Peace, 1 person charged & reported for possession of a knife, 4 Civic Government Offences, Group of young persons to be charged for Telecommunication offence, 2 Racial Abuse incidents.**

**Timber wagons to use proper route into town and not along Hecklegirth. Police to make Annandale Transport aware. Parking on pavement outside Indian restaurant still happening - brought to the attention of the police.**

Community Safety Officer: **No report**



Letter from Jamie Ferguson,

**This letter was read out regarding the traditional fishing rights on the Solway Firth, it explained the councils decision after taking extensive legal advice and all that had been done regarding this issue by the council and the councillors and he asked for an update and the community councillors thoughts on this matter be communicated to him to resolve this matter.**

**A letter was now read out by Alan Kay from John Bonner, letter circulated to members**

**Marion Stewart (absent) proposed a formal motion of complaint against Ian Carruthers for his conduct prior to and during the Common Good meeting towards the Community Councillors.**

**A lengthy discussion took place.**

**Ian Carruthers gave an account of the Common Good meeting and again reiterated that decisions had been made after extensive consultation and that Community Councillors had not been omitted from any meetings to discuss this matter. He produced evidence of a 'calendar email' invitation sent to all relevant members, Alan Kay and John Bonner included on the 31/3/15 at 15:26hrs.**

**To resolve this a meeting has been set for the 30/6/15 at 19:00hrs**

**Marion Stewart reported in her letter of complaints she had received regarding advertising on street furniture was getting out of hand especially in High St and Bank St area and thought it might be out with local bylaws.**

**Neil informed the meeting he had reported the matter through CCES (Community Council Enquiry Service) and was awaiting a reply.**

Solway Tidal Project:

**Alan Kay gave a very in depth discussion on a meeting that he and Joyce Wylie attended regarding this matter. In summary although the matter was very ambitious it could be a great benefit to the town and the area but it would be a long expensive project over many years.**

**Invitation to be sent with the possibility of a presentation given August/September.**



West Scales Wind Farm:

**Neil MacIntyre reported on a meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> May regarding West Scales as it affects the surrounding five Community Councils possibly benefiting as much as 85k, all hinges on planning permission. Nothing will be confirmed until at least 29/11/15.**

Treasures Report:

**General Acc - £3104:38, Web Acc - £1529:71**

**Since the last meeting Minsca Funding application has been submitted and confirmed by McNabb Lawrie.**

**£1000 - Bench(s)**

**£ 500 - Bulbs**

**£ 350 - Xmas Lights**

**£ 150 - Remembrance Day Celebration**

**TOTAL - £2000**

**Just a reminder that we have a Minsca funded item from last year to complete (the info board covers) which will affect the general fund total eventually.**

Correspondence:

**Letter of thanks from John Steele for £500 donation (defibrillator)**

**Lockerbie Swimming Group sent in a presentation for new swimming pool**

**Discretionary Grant process papers hand to Treasurer**

**Area Committee meeting 17/6/15 at 10:00am, for attendance if possible by Community Council**

**It was agreed that the members reports and other business would have to be carried on to the next meeting**

**The meeting closed at 21:05**

**The next meeting will be the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 7pm**