



Minute of Royal Burgh of Annan Community Council 10th April 2017

Allan Weild, Chairman, welcomed all Community Councillors, Councillors and members of the public. Allan thanked Joyce Wylie for the hard work she put in as Chair for the Community Council over the last 3 years

Present:

Community Councillors: Walter Hunt, Marion Stewart. Alan Kay, John Ramage, Allan Weild, John Bonner, Sylvia Moore, Bunty Taylor, Mark Sindall.

D&G Councillors: Councillor Brodie had to go after AGM as he was committed to another meeting.

In Attendance: Rod Edgar Annandale Observer, Robert Peirce, Community Safety Officer. Sgt. Anna Boyd, James Cox

Apologies: Joyce Wylie, Lewis Douglas

Minute of 13/03/17 the minute was proposed by Allan Weild seconded by Sylvia Moore

Matters Arising

Alan Kay will progress the Dog Banners

Police Report:

Road Traffic

Community Issues:

Questions for Sgt Boyd

Marion asked a question on parking enforcement. Sgt. Boyd said because of staffing restrictions only motorists who are causing an obstruction or are parked illegally in a disabled bay would be dealt with by the police.

Community Safety Report: Robert Piercy advised on the following:

1. Fly tipping reported Windermere Industrial Estate. This has all been uplifted
2. Dog fouling complaint in Craignair Park, a rough time has been given and watch carried out with no success.
3. Parking issues at George Street with a local resident parking vehicles that are for sale in the DGHP Car Park and leaving them. DGHP are talking to residents to try to resolve this.
4. Abandoned vehicle in Port Street currently has a removal order on it as there is no trace of the registered keeper.
5. Dog fouling complaint in Fernlea Crescent followed by an early morning patrol with no success thus far.
6. Dog fouling complaints at junction of Springbells Road and Shawhill Road. The area was very bad and a clean-up was arranged with some signage also erected no information was given.
7. A complaint received about the waste from a local High Street business. No issues just a waste management issue.
8. One FPN issued for a littering offence in the High Street.



9. Anti-social complaint received from Northfield Park Gardens with regards to children playing football. We will watch the area but are not looking to take any action.
10. A warning letter to be sent for a minor (under 16) who was seen to commit a littering offence in Stapleton Road.
11. Fly tipping in Springbells Road consisting of a cot mattress. No evidence so item uplifted.
12. Fly tipping at Watchhall Road consisting of a mattress. This was uplifted.

As always Robert advised the meeting if anyone has issues to contact him.

Allan introduced James Cox from Dumfries and Galloway Council who gave the meeting an update on the Library move to the Town Hall.

James advised:

Change of use notice was lodged on 13/12/16

Building consent agreed on 4/1/17

Tender process began on 5/4/17

There will be an update on costs once this last process is complete. The start date is estimated to be 22/5/17.

Customer Services will move to Ednam Street on a temporary basis when the work starts until it is finished.

There is a 15 Sq.mtr. reduction in the Reference Area

Allan thanked Mr Cox for the update.

Treasurers Report: Allan gave the following report: Web account £1446.65, Ordinary account £6142.45.

Correspondence

Agenda for Annandale and Eskdale Area Committee

Correspondence from Wendy Hamilton, Secretary St Columbus School asking for a grant for their outdoor classroom. It was agreed to consider this with any other requests that come in for Minsca Money.

Councillors Report

No reports

Members Report

Alan Kay: Nothing to report

John R: reported that there are still a lot of street lights on 24/7. He also advised lights on Tweedie Terrace out for 3 nights in a row.

John B. Advised that Marine Scotland had made a derisory offer of compensation to the Common Good. A meeting has been arranged for the 11/4/17 to discuss.

Mark: Mark was appointed Chair of the Good Neighbour Group and will keep us informed of developments.

Walter: Nothing to report

Allan W. advised that he attended two public meetings with Richard.

Sylvia: Nothing to report



Joyce: advised she had written to Tommy and Andrew and asked them to resign as they have not attended enough meetings. She also advised she is unable to attend the Federation meeting in Beatoch, Marion will attend. She also advised Rhona would attend the Constitution meeting at Lockerbie on Tuesday night.

Public Forum.

No reports

AOCB

Marion advised it was time for the Young Citizen event. Marion to email schools and arrange a date for interviews and arrange presentation at Town Hall

Bunty Taylor advised the meeting that she wished to tender her resignation from the Community Council. She had been on the Community Council since 1990 and it was time to hang up her pen. Allan Weild gave a vote of thanks to Bunty for all her hard work saying that she will be a hard act to follow. Her contribution over 27 years has been very much appreciated and she will be missed at the meetings. He wished her good luck in her retirement from the committee.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm and Allan thanked all for attending.

Date of next meeting 10th April 2017 at 7pm