



Minutes of Royal Burgh of Annan Community Council 11th February 2019

Allan Weild Chairperson opened the meeting at 7pm welcoming all in attendance at the fire station Annan.

Present

Community Councillors Joyce Wyllie, Allan Weild, Alan Kay, Walter Hunt, Sylvia Moore, John Ramage, Mark Sindal.

D&G Councillors Henry McClelland, Sean Marshal.

Apologies Richard Brodie, Marion Stewart, Rhona McCarton, Ruby.

In Attendance, Annandale Observer, Police.

Minutes of 14th January Proposed by Alan Kay and seconded by Walter Hunt.

Matters arising, 4 ccss had been submitted namely School parking, Fish Cross, Lines at traffic lights and kerb and yellow lines at Tweedie terrace. A letter had been received from Tony Topping regarding Newington school parking suggesting a joint meeting with interested parties and possibly public consultation. Henry intimated that the council were looking at decriminalisation of parking and Sean suggested safe routes to school should be readdressed. Alan Kay mentioned that the meeting at the underpass at the top of Hospital road was a success with the lighting being inspected by Transport Scotland. The resulting report was that the lights were unrepairable but the wiring was OK, and that they were looking into the situation to replace the lights.

Police Report. (Attached) Police Scotland had an ongoing recruitment drive going on and left some leaflets regarding this. There had been a number of business premises broken into recently and it was mentioned that "white water" kits were available from the police station to mark items with. Walter informed the police that there had been numerous occasions that a taxi had been parking on the pavement at the Commercial Inn for a long time. Mark mentioned that a school child was removed from Farmfoods and has created a disturbance while being removed which caused customers to be alarmed, if this happens again the police should be called. Henry asked about the break-in at the local Spar and was told that investigations were ongoing; also damage at the Central Hotel was being monitored. The CC was informed that Sgt Anna Boyde had been promoted to temporary Inspector Community west.

Treasurers Report.

In the absence of the treasurer Allan informed the committee that the account stood at 1411.42p and the general account stood at 6771.52p. Money had been allocated for work at the Jubilee gardens and it was agreed that work should be progressed as there was 3750 pounds in the funds.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

D&G Councillor Henry McClelland presented the following report; 16.2 million pound of savings had to be found but hopefully no forced redundancies. The haafnet project was progressing with a history of fishing on the Solway with local schools being involved; hopefully we will see haaf net fishing back on the Solway sometime in the future.

D&G Councillor Sean Marshal presented the following report; 100 million pounds would have to be budgeted for in the next 10 years. Tweedie Terrace and Guysgill were needing additional street signage and would hopefully be funded in the next financial year. The path between Queensway and Douglas Gardens



needed improved lighting and this would be done when funding was available. Road Humps were to be introduced in Greencroft Wynd. Henry added that the trees at Annan Hospital were to be cut back as they were interfering with cables on Stapleton Road. The new playpark was being progressed with surveys being made on the drainage at the area, the park will be done in phases and equipment has been identified.

Annan regeneration business meeting had been well attended with ideas and suggestions being noted. The regeneration group would consist of 6 members of staff and would be housed at an office at Annan Business Park to coordinate the steering group. There was still ongoing interest on the Pinneys site. Beckfoot was still being progressed but nothing had been heard up to now. The old bus station in St. Johns Road has now been through the tender process.

Community Councillors Reports.

Joyce, The seat has now been places at the Howes Corner but not sure if it had been secured down yet.

George Moffat from the community payback team was to be approached regarding various works that needed done, milestones painted, jubilee gardens etc. Garden Judges had been selected for the forthcoming CC garden competition.

Walter Nil

Mark Nil

John Nil

Sylvia, The heavy coping stone at the end of the millennium bridge had been knocked off and would need replaced.

Allan intimated that Tommy Woodman had been in touch with him regarding the access onto the shore at the black sheds. He said that it had been blocked off with rubble; it was thought that this was not a police matter but was a civil matter and should be referred to Richard Masters the access officer

AOB. It was noted the timber lorries were using different routes into Annan and it was said that there was no official route into the town although there was advisory routes, if there was any problems we should notify the timber officer.

The PTA at Annan Academy were looking for financial support for Warhammer to develop leadership etc and it was agreed that they should put an application form in and completed form would be emailed to all CC members

As there was no other business Allan thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.30pm

Date and Time of Next Meeting, Monday 11th March Annan Fire Station 7.00pm.