

Gargunnock Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on October 2nd 2012

Present: Geoff Peart; Douglas Coupethwaite; Maitland Clark;; Edmond Mansion; John Craigen; Cllr Graham Lambie; Barbara Drummond; Helen Rowell

1. Apologies

Margaret McKechnie

2. Minutes

The Secretary corrected the minutes in relation to the reference to the water main problem in Main Street/McNeill Crescent which had not yet been sorted out. Subject to this change the minutes were agreed and adopted. [Proposer: John Craigen: Seconder: Edmond Mansion]

3. Community Police Officer's Report

There was no report for this month. No other matters were raised by community councillors.

4. Local Development Plan Update

The Secretary indicated that Stirling Council had now approved the Proposed Local Development Plan for consultation which would begin on October 8th. The Secretary had looked through the Plan and abstracted the elements relating to Gargunnock and the Rural Area. Concerns were expressed again that no housing was proposed for the village until after 2024.

Action: Secretary to circulate abstract of the Proposed LDP to Community Councillors and consideration be given to any formal response to the Plan in due course.

5. Water Main Problem

It is understood that Scottish Water [SW] have tested for chlorine and now agree that the water is from a leaking main. MC undertook to contact Scottish Water again about the issue and concern was expressed that SW's customer service standards appear to be poorly observed and that the Council could raise this through the Community Planning process.

Action: MC to contact Scottish Water. Councillor Lambie to raise concerns re SW's customer service through the community planning process.

6. Future Programme [continued]

DC had arranged for Roz Smith and Jim McBrier (from the Recycling Collections Team at Stirling Council) to attend the November meeting and give a short presentation about changes to the recycling collection service and answer any queries/issues that anyone within the community is experiencing. DC urged all community councillors to publicise the meeting to ensure a reasonable turnout.

There was some discussion regarding other potential topics but no decisions were made on these at this stage

Action: All community councillors to publicise the waste recycling presentation prior to the next meeting

7. Secretary's Report

Two items had been received from Stirling Council [a] Local Housing Strategy and [b] the Community Empowerment Bill both of which had been circulated for information to community councillors.

Action: Noted

8. Treasurer's Report

EM reported that the CC account presently stood at £2125 of which £706 consists of funds raised for the village defibrillator which are held in trust by the Community Council following the fund-raising event.

Action: Noted

9. Planning and Licensing Report

Application for a new dwellinghouse at garden ground west of 4 Millbrae.

The Community Council had agreed that no objections should be raised and the application had now been approved.

Action: Noted

10. Any Other Business

[a] Councillor Lambie's Report

A comprehensive report was tabled and a number of matters were raised in discussion. In particular, it was noted that further road maintenance work on Station Road is not scheduled until 2013/14 and that there is a proposal to create a junction between the A811 and the M9 and that this could have implications for converting the A811 into a Trunk Road.

Action: Noted

[b] Bus Information

GP indicated that he had contacted the Council's Transport Co-ordination service re the missing timetable information and this had now been rectified at the Leckie Road bus shelter.

Action: Noted

[c] Defibrillator

Given the success of the fund-raising for the defibrillator there was discussion regarding the next stage. It was felt that there were many issues which still needed to be resolved [location, security, training, etc.]and it would be useful to have a public meeting to discuss these matters.

Action: DC to liaise with Jackie Stevenson re a date for a public meeting

11. Date of Next Meeting

November 6th 2012

GP 08.10.2012