

# Gargunnock Community Council

## Minutes of Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015

Present: Alison MacLachlan : Maitland Clark : Bob Burman : Mike McGirr : Lovat McGregor : Edmond Mansion : Cllr Graham Lambie: Jon Park

Apologies : Bryan Crawford

1. Minutes: Minutes of meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> September were adopted with 2 amendments.

Minutes of meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October were also adopted.

2. Matters Arising:

A list of Community Councillors and contact details has been put on the notice board.

Although a similar list has been in the Bugle it was suggested that there be a permanent "box" for continuous reference.

Past Minutes were now all on the Stirling Council website.

Re dog fouling it was suggested that a suitable notice, similar to the ones already in the village, should be erected on the way to Watson house.

3. Community Police Officer's Report: PC Ian McCallum attended.

In Station Road a male was charged with driving a car without valid insurance.

There was a no injury road accident in Kirk Lane on 26/10/15

This is now the season for increase in house breakings and it is essential to ensure that properties are secure and look occupied. Police officers patrol the residential streets and it is always apparent to them which houses are empty and are therefore easy targets for thieves. Timer switches on lights are suggested, also consider leaving a radio on in the house.

With regard to a previous report of hare coursing, a male from Lanark has been identified and charged.

With regard to speeding, a vehicle was twice seen apparently exceeding the speed limit while passing the school. It was suggested getting the registration number and reporting to the police to investigate.

On 25<sup>th</sup> November PCs Steven Graham and Raymond Murphy will take on the role of community ward officers working from the Balfron office. They are both well aware of the issues affecting rural communities and will be attending future meetings of the Community Council

4. Treasurer's Report : Balance on hand £1003. Hire of room has still to be paid.

5. Planning: Application for 2 houses in Kirk Lane north of current development.

Nothing official has been received as yet, but there is likely to be a resubmission of a planning application for the piece of land adjacent to Hallam on Manse Brae.

6. Land North of The Glebe

The matter of the transfer of land from the GVDIA to the Trust is now in the hands of the solicitors and the Trust have received the relevant Land certificate.

7. Safer Routes to School

14 responses to the consultation had been received, all of which raised concerns at the proposal to delete all road markings at the Square. This has been submitted to Stirling council requesting a re-think on the proposal.

8. Stirling Council Review of Local Bus Services

Stirling Council is to undertake a review of subsidised bus services in the Aberfoyle and Balfron area with a view to replacing contracts that will expire on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016.

This is another area within the Priority Based Budgeting being looked at, with the possibility of reducing costs. This includes the C12 Service- Stirling to Balfron (Monday to Saturday evening journeys). Various possibilities will be considered within the review but consultation with the public is necessary to ensure that the supported bus service meets

the needs of the community while maximising best value for public funds. We should be aware that some difficult choices may have to be made.

It was suggested that there should be a consultation within the village on bus use as there is a possibility of the the loss of more services. Comments and suggestions are to be submitted to Stirling Council by 18<sup>th</sup> December and there will be an on-line survey via Survey Monkey accessible via Stirling Council website.

9. AOCB

- a. The brown bin collection will cease at the end of November and recommence in March 2016.
- b. Public information meetings about the Priority Based Budgeting proposals are to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> November at Bannockburn High School, 16<sup>th</sup> at Wallace High School, 17<sup>th</sup> at Balfron Campus and 19<sup>th</sup> at Lochearnhead Village Hall.

e-mail comments re the PBB are invited at [shapingstirlingsfuture@stirling.gov.uk](mailto:shapingstirlingsfuture@stirling.gov.uk)

Date of next meeting: 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015