

AIRTH PARISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the general meeting held on 19th October 2016 in Airth Primary School.

Members present. Jon Anslow (Convener), Robert Smith, Aileen Amos, Ginny Sutherland Willie Watson.

Also present. Cllr. Stephen Bird and P.C. Chris Morrison.

Minute Secretary. As we do not have a minute secretary at this time, Robert Smith agreed to take notes and compile minutes for this meeting. We will continue to try and recruit a minute secretary through the press and notice board.

1. Apologies Apologies for absence had been received from Rev. Jim Todd.

2. Approval of September minutes The minutes e mailed to members were approved by Aileen and seconded by Ginny.

3. Matters arising.

Willie Watson has e mailed pictures of the sewage in the basin at Dunmore to S.E.P.A. but they had still to come to inspect this and determine the source. Robert and Stephen will try and contact Mr McGregor of S.E.P.A. again regarding this issue. Dot Reid of Falkirk Council will contact the owner of the vacant plot in Graham Terrace following complaints by neighbours. The A905 between Kennedy Way and Castle Avenue has been resurfaced and while this is much smoother for driving on, the effect of this on the vibrations felt by residents is unknown.

4. Police report.

P.C. Chris Morrison delivered the attached police report covering the period from 20th September to 19th October.

Also attached is the report on the monitoring of traffic speeds through Airth and while the average speed through Airth was below 30mph, there were 2 instances of vehicles travelling at around 60mph and Chris informed us that these were police vehicles going to incidents.

Chris made his apologies and left as he was still on duty.

5. Correspondence. As listed below.

1. E mail from Chris Morrison regarding the fires at Dunmore woods and hay bales being torched.
2. Letter from Robert to Edinburgh airport with our response to the initial

consultation.

3. Information from Falkirk and Clackmannanshire carers centre with information on support for carers.
4. Letter from Aileen with payment for our poppy wreath.
5. E mail from Aileen to the army cadets inviting their representative to attend our October or November meeting.
6. E mail from Aileen to CHAS offering to put up their poster in the parish.
7. E mails between Aileen and Brian Pirie regarding the medal for community councillors. Apparently the original information regarding this was wrong.
8. E mail from Brian Pirie inviting community councillors to attend a presentation on the council budget on 27th October. Aileen and Robert will attend this.
9. E mails regarding the donation of £100 from Falkirk Cycle club.
10. E mailed report from the Community Safety team covering the period from 1st to 30th September.
11. E mail from CHAS regarding the address for sending a poster.
12. E mail from Diana Davidson regarding the head teacher Morag Carson attending our meetings.

6. Round the parish report.

South Alloa. Jon Anslow is still applying for funding for a notice board .

Dunmore. Willie Watson informed us that the sensory garden has now been opened and is very impressive. A rubbish bin is required at this area.

Letham. There will be a meeting held on site with Angus Duncan to discuss the issues surrounding the R.O.W. at Letham farm. Angus will arrange to get the vegetation strimmed.

The council are looking to erect a fence at the ditch adjacent to the playing field and get the storage container moved to another location.

Airth. As we have vacancies on the Community Council, Anne Ramsay and Tracy Campbell have expressed interest in joining and Robert instructed Anne to attend our meeting to put themselves forward. Jon will contact Brian Pirie to confirm that this will be acceptable as Anne had previously been an elected member. Our constitution would allow us to co-opt one full member with voting rights and nominated members with no voting rights. If Tracy wished to become a nominated member, she could be nominated by the Airth Parish Community Enhancement Association of which she is a founder member.

7. Treasurer`s Report.

Aileen Amos informed us that we had £425.38 in the admin. account and £3024.38 in the Christmas Lights account.

8. Planning Issues.

The planning application by Lochay Homes to develop the escarpment above the Cemetery Brae and the Church which had been withdrawn is being resubmitted. Rather than provide for affordable homes in the development, a contribution could be made to a community fund to provide affordable homes elsewhere,

9. Christmas lights.

The sub committee for this event will meet on 25th October to finalise details.

10. Remembrance Sunday.

The Remembrance service will take place on Sunday 13th November at the Cenotaph at 10.30am. Jon and Aileen will lay the Poppy wreath on behalf of the Community Council. Jon and Craig will lay a wreath at the memorial in South Alloa.

11. A.O.C.B.

Willie Watson informed us that the area of ground adjacent to the sensory garden in Dunmore which is used to access the trash screen has not been properly reinstated and is a messy swamp and is causing flooding in the garden. Aileen asked if Willie knew the outcome of Andrew Mitchell's complaint about damage to his house which occurred during the construction of the trash screen. He did not know the outcome.

Aileen and Robert will visit Ethan Ritchie's parents to discuss their desire to erect a Christmas light in his memory.

We agreed to give a voucher for £35 to the Airth Youth club to help with their Christmas party expenses.

The Convenor thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

Our next meeting will be on the 16th November 2016.