**AIRTH PARISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the general meeting held on the 16th of June 2016 in Airth Primary School

**Members Present**

Jon Anslow Ginny Sutherland Robert Smith Aileen Amos

Willie Watson

**Also Present**

Calum Parker Jim Flynn PC Chris Devlin

**Apologies**

Craig Martin

**Approval of Minutes for the 18th of May**

Jon approved the minutes and Robert seconded.

**Police Report**

The Police report is attached.

Robert mentioned to PC Devlin that he had received an email from a resident in Castle Avenue that had spotted a small fire on the path from Airth to Letham. Robert also added that “young people had been meeting up there for years”. There was also a large fire reported at Dunmore Woods, which was attended by two fire engines. Both of these incidents were noted by PC Devlin.

Jim Flynn reported that the parking at the school is continuing to be an issue, with the voluntary one way system not being adhered to by everyone. Aileen will send Jim the details of the community safety team who may be able to help.

PC Devlin advised that if a car is parked illegally, you can take a note of the registration and pass the information along to the police.

It was also mentioned that a deer was killed at Station Road, Willie said that a person from Dunmore had been involved in an accident with a deer recently.

**Matters Arising**

Regarding Jon’s request for a No Dogs Allowed sign in the South Alloa Park, the sign cannot be put in, as a by-law would be required.

Regarding Insurance, Jon is speaking to Brian Pirie.

**Correspondence**

1. Application received from the Parsonage for a Premises License for On and Off Sales.

*Aileen has been assured by Crawford Sibbald that a noise limiter had been installed.*

1. Email from Greg Pender, Engineering Design Manager, regarding the A905. He is willing to meet with the Community Council to discuss this.
2. Email from Councillor Bird regarding a No Dogs Allowed sign in South Alloa.
3. Email from Jim Flynn regarding the recent fatal accident.
4. Email from Craig Martin with the police report regarding the fatal accident.
5. Email from Greg Pender regarding Robert’s letter about installing a pelican crossing, mentioning that Airth does not meet the required criteria for one.
6. Email from Jon stating, before Robert writes to Falkirk Council, that all community council members should be consulted.
7. Schedule of Insurance from Zurich – Amount Due, £78.02.
8. Email from the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland to inform the Community Council that we will remain with four councillors.
9. Email from a resident of Castle Avenue regarding a small fire.
10. Email from Alistair Shaw regarding the Local Development Plan.
11. Email from Marie Dunbar regarding inviting john McNally to judge the gardening competition.
12. Email from PC Morrison forwarding a message from the secretary of the Falkirk Bike Club, stating that the club would be willing to make a donation to the Airth Parish Community.
13. Email from Jim Flynn regarding illegal parking outside the school.
14. Email from Caralyn Williamson asking the Comminity Council to participate in a dissertation on Community Enagement.

*Robert and Jon said that they would help with this. Aileen will email the information.*

1. Email from Edinburgh Airport regarding the consultation about the new flight paths.

*Aileen will contact with dates and arrange for a presentation.*

1. Community Safety Team report.

**Round the Parish**

**Airth**

Robert received a letter regarding the installation of a pelican crossing, and was advised that Airth does not meet the criteria for one to be installed. It was agreed that Robert should write again.

The data from the speed survey was presented, and the average speed was below 30mph.

The repositioning of the lollipop man should be reconsidered.

The school janitor is retiring.

Jim Flynn mentioned that the school may have uses for the Community Centre.

Aileen will speak to Alistair Shaw regarding changes to the roads being included in the Local Development Plan.

**South Alloa**

Jon has spoken to Mandy Brown regarding a notice board being installed.

**Dunmore**

The contractors working on the culvert were served an interdict from Andrew Mitchell, stating that the contractors had caused cracks to appear in his house. All work on the culvert has now stopped.

**Treasurer’s Report**

The Christmas Lights Account has £3004.38, and the Admin Account has £499.03

It was agreed that the donation from the Falkirk Bike Club would go towards the Christmas lights.

**Planning Issues**

No Planning issues for the Parish.

Aileen advised that she had received notice of a Pre-Application Consultation event at Klondyke Garden Centre between Thursday 30th June and Sunday 3rd July, between 10.00 and 18.00.

**Community Resilience**

The Community Resilience launch was held on the 22nd of May, where there was a disappointing response from the village, with a turnout of approximately 14 people. However, there was a photographer from the Falkirk Herald in attendance, and a good attendance from the emergency services, and the local MP, John McNally. There was a two-page spread in the Falkirk Herald about the event.

**Gardening Competition**

John McNally has agreed to judge the competition, with the prizes being £30, £15 and £5 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places respectively.

**Skate Park**

One child has volunteered to be on the committee for the skate park. Domini may want to do some work on this during the holidays, as there will need to be a lot of consultation.

**A.O.C.B**

Jim Flynn suggested that the Airth Notice Board was in the wrong place.

Jon asked for a mandate to enable the executive power to act on any emergency issues over the holidays.

Calum is now leaving the post of minute secretary, as he is moving out to University, we wish him well and thank him for his efficient note taking.

**The next meeting will be the A.G.M., which will be followed by a general meeting on Wednesday the 21st of September 2016.**

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| Name of  Community Council: | Airth Community Council  Date of meeting : Wednesday 15th June, 2016    Force Production  Register No: |

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| Foreword: | Chris sends his apologies however he was unable to change his shift due to an essential training course at the Scottish Police College. |
| Ward Priorities | During the past month since the last meeting there have been very few criminal incidents in the village and surrounding areas.  On the 28th of May a 34 year old male was found in possession of a personal amount of cannabis at Bowtree’s Service station and received a formal Police warning.  On incident of careless driving was reported by colleagues from the Roads Policing Unit and a 44 year old male driver is the subject of a report to the PF with regards his driving manner.  A vandalism was also reported in the area of Paul Drive, Airth. A Black Audi motor vehicle was deliberately scratched and damaged. The damages was caused on the 8th of June around 1630 hours. Two young boys were seen in the area and Police are keen to identify them. They were described as being about 7 years old, 3.5ft tall, short fair hair, slim, wearing black t-shirt and shorts. The second boy was about 9 or 10 years old, 4.5 ft tall, mousey brown hair, left handed as he scratched the car using his left hand, wearing purple Barcelona top and shorts with UNICEF 10 on the back of the top.  There was one reported domestic incident occurring on the High Street on the 15th of May, a 45 year old woman was arrested and appeared at FSC in relation to this. |

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| Other Incidents of note/relevant Community Council information. | Police Scotland continue to support the family of Ethan Ritchie following the tragic incident in Kennedy Way on the 20th of May. If any member of the community feels they need any support what so ever they can contact Chris direct at Larbert office.  Alastair Smith, Falkirk Bike Club secretary has expressed a desire to put some funding forward to a community project for Airth. The Christmas light fund has been raised as a possible suggestion. |

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| Feedback from meeting: |  |