

Minutes of Meeting Kyle Academy, 27TH February, 7pm

FHMCC : John McGuire, Anne Miller, Douglas Smith, Bill White, Samantha Laidlaw, Mary Elliot, Alison Russell, Elsie McDougal

SAC : SAC Cllrs Chris Cullen, Brian McGinley

Police : Apologies. Scotland

Guests: Lee Stewart, Cara Bennington

Apologies: SAC Link Officer Sandra McMath, Laura McIloney, Steven Mackie

Matters Arising: None

Declarations Of Interest : None

Sept : Proposed by W. White, Seconded by S. Laidlaw Minutes

Secretary's In agenda Report

Treasurer's Read out and discussed Report

SAC Councillors Report - Cllr Cullen, Cllr McGinley

- SAC budget meeting will be held on February 29th 2024. The Labour group are prepared to support the proposals.
- Awaiting Place Plan decisions.

2023 Initiatives – most on hold pending the outcome of the Place Planning funding.

• **Traffic.** It was noted for future discussions that this initiative cannot be included in the Place Plan. Lindsay McRoberts will monitor the situation around local schools. Cllrs Cullen and McGinley will feedback at the March meeting.

ROUND TABLE

• The Place Plan. FHMCC agreed that further information is required before the Community Council can move forward. We require an overarching view of the survey including timescales and what rules are in place. For example, SAC Councillors advised that should a project require post maintenance care, SAC are not prepared to take this responsibility.



(FHMCC Feb 24 minutes Cont)

Cllr McGinley suggested we invite SAC Officer Jamie Tate to the March meeting to discuss this fully. Some proposals being considered by FHMCC include, an upgrade to the ruins on the banks of the River Ayr, install a 'floating' pathway through Glencairn park, look at the possibility of an FHM Community Building, a new children's playpark in Castlehill Woods, the addition of sensory items to walkways in both parks.

- Holmston House. Questions were raised as to who the owner of the property is. Cllrs Cullen and McGinley will look into this and advise at the March meeting.
- Forehill Defib. Comm Cllr Dougie Smith advised this defib is out of commission and will feedback at the March meeting.
- Forehill Shops. The rear of the shops is heavily littered and have some fly tipping. SAC will investigate the fly tipping to try to determine who is responsible. They will also arrange a clear up. Cllr Cullen will feedback at the March meeting.
- Tree felling in Castlehill Road. Comm Cllr W White advised that the owners of the ground are responsible for replacing the felled trees with saplings and that it is SAC's responsibility to enforce this.
- River Ayr Walk ruins. SAC will fence parts off for safety issues.
- Fund raising update. The recent fundraiser raised a Net total of £907.40. The next fund raiser is planned for October 2024.

AOB

- Lorne Arcade, Ayr Town Center. The owners of the Arcade are apparently considering closing off the Arcade when the shops have closed due to vandalism. Cllr McGinley will update on this at the March meeting.
- Comm Cllr Dougie Smith noted that the survey regarding the regeneration of Ayr Town Center closes at the end of March.
- Due to the delay of the funding application outcome it was mentioned that the May fun day planned for 27th May should be moved to a later date date to be decided.
- A copy of the FHMCC Constitution was agreed and signed off to be submitted to SAC.
- Former Station Hotel. The safety work should be completed mid to end March. Under discussion was 'what happens next'. As the area is privately owned, SAC are unable to carry out any work other than safety work. Cllr McGinley will update regarding who the owner is and what steps are planned to resolve the state of the building/ground, at the March meeting.
- Comm. Cllr Mary Elliot commented on the very poor bus service in the area and proposed approaching Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) with a view to re-routing one of the Kincaidston Services to take in parts of Forehill/Holmston. CC Elliot will draft a letter to SPT and submit it to the FHMCC Email account.
- FHMCC Chair will arrange for litter picking equipment / tabard to be provided to a local Resident who carries out regular litter picking in the area.

NEXT MEETING

• Tuesday 26th March 2024 at Kyle Academy, 7pm