

Dundonald Community Council

Minute

14 03 2024

Present: Community Councillors - SM, RK, MS, SA, FC, HN, JA

Members of Public - DQ, AC, MP, NB, NB, RS, GMcK

SAC Councillors -JD

SAC - Not present

Police Scotland - 2 officers

Apologies - None

Chairperson's Opening Remarks.

The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming all to the meeting. Hopefully we will return to the Montgomerie Hall in the near future.

Police Report

The police submitted a report in writing and were present at the meeting. There is a new temporary sergeant in Troon. The police reported that it had been fairly quiet in the village over the previous month. Report of youths gathering at the bus shelter at the memorial making noise and playing music. The police attended. The problem re the buses has not been an issue of late, hopefully this will continue. A MOP asked what happens if youths are apprehended, the police stated that they would be taken home to their parents. A MOP asked if information was collated by the police and this was explained by the police as to how intelligence is gathered. The officers were thanked for their attendance.

Community Matters.

Defibrillator - A MOP raised that a group in the village is raising money for a second defibrillator. This group is made up of local residents who are customers at the Auchans. They would like to have it placed outside the Montgomerie Hall. They have approached Cllr Ferrie who has stated that he will find out if possible. It was raised that for some reason this was not allowed when the first one was purchased however, the position might have changed. Cllr D stated that she would speak to TB from the Council. £600 has been raised so far but the group has to raise a further £700. Asked if the CC could help. The CC stated that they would discuss this further and get back to the group.

Wind Turbines - The meeting was appraised that the planning submission for the turbines on the A759 is now live. If the turbines produce less than 50MGW then the local authority decides. MOP pointed out that they will be in South Ayrshire but will feed an establishment in North Ayrshire. It was pointed out that the distance from housing has been removed in planning legislation. The effect on the castle was raised by MOP. Cllr D stated that battery storage areas are being built in the ward. The CC will submit a neutral response to the planning application which reflects both negatives and positives given the response we have had from the village. It was pointed out the Community Councillors can submit their own response as private residents. Cllr D will ask that the documents be displayed in the Montgomerie Hall.

Access to the field - A MOP raised on behalf of the Games Committee re the entrance to the field. The CC has received no further information re this work. Cllr D gave the following update - the contract to deal with the drainage has been awarded. There is work to be carried out on a residents property re the outfall pipe. Hopefully this will happen soon. There is no plan to move

the skate park. MOP asked who is fitting the bill for the works, SAC are paying for this. The outfall has to be fixed. SAC will meet residents re fences. No design for the flood plan for the field is available as yet. MOP expressed concern that the works will not be complete in time for the games. Cllr D stated that she would ask for a technical person to come to the CC to explain about the Swale and the effect it may have on the size of the field.

Potholes - The CC has contacted ARA re this widespread problem in the village. A MOP stated that they had witnesses inspectors looking at the roads.

Cycle Track - A MOP asked for an update. The CC has no further info other than it has been agreed in principle, no land has been purchased as yet and that finance is needed.

Community Council Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were proposed by HN and seconded by SM.

Matters Arising

By Election. CN and RM elected. Both will be informed of the next meeting.

Chairperson Report

Chair is meeting with the Scottish Wildlife Trust. The Chair and Treasurer are planning to meet re the garden. Daffodils have been planted by MOP. No further info re the SA strategic group. We will discuss Place Planning further. Write to AG and thank her for her input. Ask her about in depth consultation and how SAC aim to do this.

Secretary Report

All correspondence has been distributed. Welcome note to be sent to two new CCs, take up their position on 01 04 2024.

Treasurer Report

Balance in the account £5461.43 in bank
After cheques to Castle and Secretary £5401.93

Elected Members Report

JD gave update throughout the meeting

Licensing and Planning - Nothing of note

Dog Fouling - raised by CC. Situation in village getting worse. Grass area, site of old library very bad. Who owns this land? YP also gathering here. Secretary will write to SAC re dog bins.

AOCB.

Date and time of next meeting. Thursday 11th April 2024. Venue to be confirmed

MS. Secretary