

Community Council Meeting

Monday 17th September 2018
8:00 pm
Auchengray Church Centre

Approved Minutes

Present:

Alistair Marshall	Chair	Patricia Tucker	Secretary
Barbara Robertson	Treasurer	Margaret Addo	Community Council
Eric Williams	Associate Member	John Tucker	TVHA Representative

Councillor Catherine McClymont
Five residents attended.

Apologies received:

Ian Aitchison Councillor Julia Marrs, Councillor Richard Elliot-Lockhart
Stephen Hunter

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded everyone that Standing Orders state that the Public are not allowed to speak unless the Chair suspends Standing Orders and allows them to do so. This TCC believes that in such a small Community, it is better for Community relationships that Residents are allowed to speak and suspends Standing Orders so that they may do so, but we don't do it formally each meeting. However if a member of the public becomes offensive or unruly, Standing Orders will be re-instated and the Public will no longer be allowed to speak until the Chair invites them to do so.

2018 September Item 1) Minutes of meeting held on 18th June 2018
These were agreed to be a correct record
Proposed: Alistair Marshall Seconded: Barbara Robertson

2018 September Item 2) Matters arising from the Minutes
18 June 2/18/May/3b Falla Woods access update: This was brought up at the Outdoor Access Forum. The Access Officer, Jemma from WAT IF? and John Tucker walked the access points at Falla and found several issues. These were taken up and Jemma has investigated further. The ownership of the woods has changed and the original permissions have lapsed (after 15 years), however, Jemma has negotiated access and agreement to clear pathways and probably installation of bridle gates but the owners will not fund these. The WAT IF? Pathways Group started work on this woodland area on Saturday
18 June 2 / 18/May/10 Litter Pick Margaret Addo placed a notice in the Newsletter asking for anyone interested in litter clearance to contact her. A rubbish skip will be needed for people to take large items to. WAT IF? may fund this as land fill tax must also be paid. John Robertson offered to help Margaret with this initiative which should hopefully be completed before Christmas.

2018 September Item 3) Minutes of Special meeting held on 20th August
These were agreed to be a correct record
Proposed: Margaret Addo Seconded: Barbara Robertson

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Item 4) Matters arising from special meeting held 20th August

a) 18 August 2 Many thanks are due to Campbell Fisher for printing out the 350 information inserts to be placed in the Newsletter and to Margaret Addo for folding and inserting the information into the Newsletters. A mammoth task.

b) Ten nominations for Tarbrax CC have been received . As of Friday afternoon, these had not been validated. However, it is very likely there will be a contested election at Tarbrax Community Council.

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Item 5) Interim Meeting

a. Chairman

Catherine McClymont has agreed to be our Independent Interim Chair. The Independent Interim Chair takes over from 24th October until the Interim Meeting on November 19th, Secretary continues to deal with correspondence

b. Procedure for Interim Meeting

The procedure for the meeting - clarified by Gordon Bow, is as follows:

- Councillor McClymont opens the meeting and asks for nominations for Chair. Either one comes forward or more than one comes forward in which case there would be a vote.
- New Chair takes over from Councillor McClymont and the same process for Secretary and Treasurer is carried out.
- Adoption of Standing Orders, Constitution and code of Conduct.
- Completion of Bank forms if there are changes to the signatories
- Move to AGM and then Ordinary Monthly Meeting follows that..

All three meetings are held in public and all should be minuted separately.

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Item 6) TCC / Wat IF? Meeting 19th June

Draft Notes from Meeting (to be agreed at next TCC/WAT IF? meeting)

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Item 7) Matters arising from TCC/WAT IF? Meeting 19th June

a. Note: 18 June 3/b Correspondence: regarding email from WAT IF? suggesting that relationships between the two groups had improved and attendance at each other's meetings were no longer necessary. This email had been brought to the June meeting and there was no disagreement with the view. No formal vote had been taken because everyone present had agreed. Due to recent developments, it was decided to clarify and vote on the following proposal:

'As relationships between the TCC and WAT IF? have improved and we are in regular dialogue with each other, it is no longer necessary to have a representative on each others committees. It was understood that if this is considered necessary in the future, this decision can be reviewed.'

The above wording was agreed, the proposal voted upon and agreed unanimously.

b. Suggestions for areas of cooperation between TCC & WAT IF?

Following open discussion the following topics were put forward to take to the next meeting:

Various Community events such as that being planned for 24th November
Pathway development

Possible 'Roads Group' to communicate with Roads department about gritting, road closures, diversions etc.

- 2018 September** **Item 8) Community Event November 24th Meeting held on 24th July – Feedback**
 Representatives from TCC, WAT IF?, WAT Group, TVHA & Auchengray Primary Parent Council met for preliminary discussions. It was decided the theme would be: A Scottish Evening. Booking 'The Jacobites' if possible, it is to be called 'A Hooley in the Hall'.
 Jemma to arrange catering along the lines of 'little pot' meals so there is something to suit everyone.
 WAT IF? to be approached for a Community Grant. The WAT Group also to be approached for a grant. Next meeting not yet arranged but arrangements are continuing with Jemma preparing publicity.
- 2018 September** **Item 9) Tarbrax Village Hall – feedback from meeting.**
 a. EGM being held tomorrow, 18th September. This is to get membership agreement to wind up the TVHA.
 Application for SCIO accepted and TCVHT is now a registered charity
 The Trustees are doing what is necessary to get it up and operating and to transfer the assets from the two long standing charities and then to close them down.
 There is a formal process involving OSCR to be followed and they now have OSCR's consent to wind up the two charities.
 A solicitor has been engaged to transfer the assets and liabilities into the new SCIO The plan is to complete all this by the 31st October.
 b. WAT IF? have outgrown the accommodation in the Hall and plan to move out into new premises in Woolfords as soon as that is ready. This means the decision to proceed with the new meeting room in the corner of the Hall will be delayed.
 c. Regarding the flooding outside the Hall. The drains have been cleared and rodded. It has been discovered the drains only extend half way across the car park. Further investigations will be required.
- 2018 September** **Item 10) Planning**
 On behalf of the Planning sub-group, Alistair reported that the only application of local relevance was a retrospective application at Ampherlaw Ref P/18/1124
- 2018 September** **Item 11) Secretary's Report**
a. Actions
GDPR – nothing further put on website, have a suggested template from Google Analytics to put on, still looking at it, complicated
Calendar: Still working on this – also complicated! Have started with a 6 column table (using venue/organisation headings) : There is some cross referencing eg: Mother & Toddlers club comes under Tarbrax Village Hall as the Venue as well as under WAT IF? as the provider.
b. Correspondence
 1. BHF Heartstart course – email giving details of a Heartstart course being offered by First Responders. This was discussed and it was agreed to follow up and explore the possibility of holding such a course.
Action: P.A.T.
 2) David Mundell's letter re the Border bus from Biggar – email
c. Documents received for Circulation
 34 TTRO's (Temporary Traffic Restriction orders) – forwarded to Community Councillors Most also sent to be put on WAT IF? FB page.
 Have started also sending them to Woolfords and Tarbrax Village Halls to share as they see fit.
 9 notifications of Committee papers available online

d. Roads

1. Good news is that the road near Kilnpot Hall has been resurfaced! Thanks to Councillor Marrs who progressed the work. Unfortunately the timing of the work contributed to the problems arising from the closure of the A70 at Carnwath.

2. Considerable activity recently regarding traffic problems arising from the closure of Main St Carnwath, & the C37 (Eastshields to Auchengray) with the associated difficulties due to lack of diversion signage and motorists using narrow lanes as short cuts while driving at inappropriate speeds. Many thanks to Councillor McClymont for her help on this.

3. Other closures:

Carstairs A70. 25th September for 2 weeks Village Gateway to Columbie J in two phases.

Clyde Bridge at Petinain for 6 months, probably indefinitely. (Public meetings about this)

Roberton A73 from roundabout at A702 to J of B7055 8 Oct for 2 weeks.

C28 West Calder from junction of Baad's Mill Rd to C24 24th to 26th September

U29 Harburn from 3rd September to 25th November

e. Website

Updated with information regarding elections and a direct link to the SLC page on current and planned road closures – accessed from the News page.

Getting more activity on the website recently.

'Whats on' - Calendar tab added – October events started, Incomplete as yet. Local organisations being asked to inform us of events to add to the Calendar. We will trial it to see if it is helpful.

2018 September **Item 12** **Treasurers Report**
Balance stands at £1322.38
Signatory change finally completed

2018 September **Item 13)** **Items for Newsletter**
Information regarding elections

2018 September **Item 14)** **Any Other Competent Business**
None

Date of Next Meeting **Monday 15th October at Auchengray Church Centre**

Close of Meeting **The meeting closed at 9.30pm**

**Post Meeting Addendum:
The Date of the Next Meeting has been changed to:**

Monday 22nd October 8.00pm at Auchengray Church Centre