

## **Community Council Special Meeting**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018 8:00 pm Auchengray Church Centre

#### **APPROVED MINUTES**

#### Present:

Alistair Marshall (Chair) Patricia Tucker (Secretary Barbara Robertson (Treasurer)
Margaret Addo John Tucker TVHA Representative
Councillor Catherine McClymont Councillor Richard Elliot-Lockhart
Eight members of the public were also present

Apologies received: Councillor Julia Marrs, Ian Aitchison, Eric Williamson

### 2018 August Item 1) Community Council Elections October 2018

- Alistair opened the meeting by explaining that this was a special meeting with a single item agenda - to discuss the forthcoming Community Council elections.
   He welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.
- The following documents were distributed, explained and discussed.
   The SLC letter of notice of the Community Council elections
   The timetable of dates for the election process
   The nomination form for application to the Community Council
- c) Draft versions of a poster and an explanatory notice were also presented for discussion and comment as to their suitability for use as publicity material for the forthcoming election. It is hoped to raise interest and encourage residents to come forward with nominations.

Amendments were suggested and agreed. It was agreed that posters be displayed both inside and outside all three Village Halls. The posters are attached to these minutes.

Similar information is to be put on the TCC website.

The above discussions were open to the full meeting and the versions to be displayed agreed by all present. There were no disagreements and no vote was necessary.

#### 2018 August Item 2) Items for Newsletter

The Newsletter is almost ready for print and there is little space left. After discussion it was agreed that the two items agreed in Item 1 c) above should be printed back to back on A4 sheets and added as a folded insert to go out in the Newsletter. Several people offered to help with this folding process but were

not required. Offers were also made to print the 350 sheets required by Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. These were gratefully accepted.

## 2018 August Item 3) Any Other Competent Business

- A query was raised as to why meetings were not held at Tarbrax Village Hall. It was explained that the large hall was not available and there wasn't a suitable meeting room available either until planned building works were completed. (In planning stages at the moment) When accommodation does become available at Tarbrax Village Hall, the intention is to share meetings between the three Village Hall venues. However,
- it is unlikely that Woolfords Village Hall will be large enough.
  A resident spoke about picking up large amounts of litter on the A70. She had been advised by SLC that people should report the registration number of any vehicles seen leaving litter on the roads and verges.
- 3) A resident raised a question regarding the possibility of an ATM machine being fitted outside Tarbrax Village Hall. The pros and cons of this were briefly discussed. The resident was asked to obtain further information as to the viability of such an installation with possible operators. If viable, and acceptable to the Tarbrax Village Hall, the TCC were happy to discuss it further.
- 4) Alistair announced that Stephen Midgley had presented his resignation from the TCC with immediate effect on 19<sup>th</sup> August. Alistair had accepted the resignation. Stephen would be writing a letter in due course.

### **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next regular Community Council meeting is Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 8.00pm at Auchengray Church Centre.

#### Close of Meeting

Alistair once again thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed.



# Are you Community minded?

Have you two hours a month to spare?

Would you like to represent your Community on your local Community Council?

Elections for Tarbrax Community Council take place on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Closing date for nominations is Wednesday 12th September

Download a nomination form from

www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk OR www.tarbraxcommunitycouncil.co.uk

or leave your name and address on phone 07799313017 to have one dropped off to your house



Elections are being held for Community Councils in South Lanarkshire on the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Nominations are being invited for Tarbrax Community Council, the closing date for nominations being the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018. There are eight places to be filled on Tarbrax Community Council and if sufficient nominations are received an election will be held. Should the nominations received be eight or less, then those applicants will be elected unopposed. We hope to receive sufficient nominations to bring us up to the full TCC membership of eight.

The general purpose of the Community Council is to act as a voice for their local area. It does this by the Community Council members being:

- interested in and involved with the local community,
- involved with the Groups in the community
- aware of the issues which affect the local community.

The Community Council makes representations to the Local Authority, other public sector bodies and private agencies within its sphere of interest. Community Councils may also carry out other activities such as organising courses and community events that are in the general interests of the community they represent.

The Tarbrax Community Council (TCC) represents the area around Tarbrax, Woolfords and Auchengray, it meets once a month on the third Monday of the month, meetings last between ninety minutes and two hours depending on the matters to be discussed and agreed upon.

Further detailed guidance can be found in the South Lanarkshire Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils on www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk or from the TCC website: www.tarbraxcommunitycouncil.co.uk

If you are interested in representing your local community and joining the Tarbrax Community Council, nomination forms can be downloaded from both the above sites or are available from Alistair Marshall, Chairman, Tarbrax Community Council on 07799313017

Do not worry if you do not know your electoral number, South Lanarkshire Council will complete that for you if they have your address.

Nominations must be submitted to South Lanarkshire Council at the address on the nomination form.