



Tarbrax Community Council

Working in the interests of Tarbrax, Auchengray & Woolfords

**Approved Minutes
of
Community Council Meeting**

Monday 19th March 2018
8:00 pm
Auchengray Church Centre

Present:

Alistair Marshall (Chair)	Patricia Tucker (Secretary)	Barbara Robertson (Treasurer)
Margaret Addo	Stephen Midgley	John Tucker (TVHA)
Cllr Catherine McClymont	Cllr Richard Elliot-Lockhart	

Members of the public:

Myra Dick, Stephen Hunter, Campbell Fisher, John Robertson.

Apologies received:

Ian Aitcheson Cllr Julia Marrs

18 Mar Item 1) Declaration of Interest

Barbara Robertson declared an interest in Item 9 on the Agenda. The Chair decided to take this item next and Barbara left the room.

**18 Mar Item 9) WAT IF? request for TCC support for grant application:
Tarbrax Bowling Club building rebuild**

An email had been received from WAT IF? requesting TCC support for their Grant Application for funding towards the rebuilding of the Tarbrax Bowling Club Building which was in a bad state of disrepair and had been condemned by South Lanarkshire Council. The grant application stood a better chance of success if community need for the project was demonstrated.

The TCC members remaining in the room were aware of the state of the building and its importance to the Village. They were strong in their support for this project and the discussion was opened up to members of the public who were present who suggested further reasons to support the project.

A draft letter of support was proposed and agreed by all present .

Action P.A.T.

Barbara Robertson rejoined the meeting.

18 Mar Item 2) Minutes of meeting held on 19th February 2018

The minutes were agreed to be a correct record

Proposed by: Barbara Robertson, Seconded by: Stephen Midgley

- 18 Mar Item 3) Matters arising from the Minutes**
- 18/Feb/8 Proposed meeting with WAT IF? - Date arranged:**
28th March at 8:00 pm at Woolfords Village Hall. The Agenda has already been agreed. Alistair, Barbara, Margaret and Patricia attending for TCC
- 18/Feb/10 Tarbrax Christmas Lights – Update**
At the February meeting of the TCC further details and clarification of costs for these lights had been requested, together with the exact number of lights involved. The following information was provided:
*{ 5 SLC refurbished illuminated features (from spares) FOC for 2017/18 Installing supply points & fitting/removing 5 lights, plus energy: an annual cost £600.00
Maintenance Call out fee (est. duration per fault 2hrs) £60.00 per hour; at 2017 prices Lights are put up and taken down each year.
Could possibly cost a bit more for 2018.
For 15 lights (15 – 19 lamp posts) the costs would be 3 to 4 times the cost as already quoted with possible increases due to any increases in maintenance and energy costs.
For TCC to buy new lights: @ £300 - £400 each, electricity is more for each one, but would still have fitting & removing costs.*
- Following discussion it was decided: to
- a) Aim to obtain 5 lights for Tarbrax and 5 lights for Woolfords.
 - b) Research costs of TCC purchasing new lights
 - c) Check with David Black re the costs of maintenance, fitting & electricity
 - d) Explore sources of funding
- Action P.A.T.**
- e) Cllr McClymont will talk to Forth CC as to how they obtained their lights.
- 18 Mar Item 4) Secretary's Report**
- a) **Report on actions from last meeting**
18/Feb/3: a)1: C37 at Easterhouse. – in process of repair
18/Feb/3: e) Meeting with JB, SLC Councillor & Roads Dept - ongoing, (no time to arrange)
18/Feb/5: Roads & Potholes – Done – on Agenda
18/Feb/10: Christmas Lights for Tarbrax – done, already reported on
18/Feb/11: Proposed Sub-Group for Planning – done – on Agenda
18/Feb/14 b): Great Get Together – done so far as feasible – on Agenda
 - b) **Correspondence**
List Provided and reported on
 - c) **Documents received for circulation**
List Provided and reported on
 - d) **TCC website - altered slightly,**
'News' section added to include the Great Get Together
- 18 Mar Item 5) Treasurers Report**
Balance is £537.16. Payments are due to Auchengray Church Centre for use of the Hall for TCC meetings, and also to the Newsletter for advertising meetings.

18 Mar Item 6) Tarbrax Village Hall
Feedback from TCC representative to TVHA was provided as follows:
There has been much activity from the SCIO working Group and the TVHA Committee. It has become obvious that the way forward is to form a SCIO and a General Meeting is being held on April 3rd to inform all the residents and formalise the process. Everyone consulted to date has been supportive of the move to the SCIO and the reasons for the change. Nevertheless, members of the TVHA and Trustees of TVH as well as Stuart Reilly of VASLAN are continuing to be available at Community events to answer any queries that people might still have.
There is a clear record of all the processes that have been followed and all the Community groups that have been consulted. Further information will be going out in the April Newsletter and on Social Media.
The TVHA are also looking at ways to increase use of the Hall to bring in more income and to maximise its potential as a Social Forum.

18 Mar Item 7) Roads
a) Road repairs and closure notices
2 TTRO's had been received.
There had been a recent short notice of road closures regarding the C203 near Muirhall and the C37 between Polkelly and Easterhouse. The latter repairs were in response to numerous complaints over many weeks regarding the poor state of the roads concerned. The work is due to be completed by Thursday 22nd March.
b) Potholes
Numerous reports have been sent in but specifically regarding the damage around Polkelly, Easterhouse and Muirhall where vehicles have sustained tyre damage and damage to suspensions have been reported. These are currently being repaired – see b) above.
Further reports were received at the meeting regarding the Heywood Rd. Cllr McClymont will follow up.
c) Outflow of water from the hill onto Auchengray Road
This has been identified by Scottish Water as coming from field drains and not the old potable water tank. SLC are dealing with it.

18 Mar Item 8) Planning
a) Planning Sub-Group: Draft Terms of Reference
Draft Terms of Reference for this group had been drawn up and copies provided for discussion and amendment / approval and adoption as appropriate by TCC. SLC had seen them and were happy with them. All present agreed to adopt the Terms of Reference. (Attached)
b) Training for Community Councillors on planning matters
An Email from PAS via SLC offering training courses to Community Councillors on Planning Matters was circulated.
It was agreed that such courses might be useful, it was suggested that SLC could organise local training on planning and other matters and that we should request such training.

Action P.A.T.

c) Planning Applications Received
No planning application of specific relevance to our area had been received.

18 Mar Item 10) Great Get Together June 16th
Feedback from P.A.T:
P.A.T. HAS spoken to representatives from most groups
Had initial meeting with Jemma, The day will be called: 'Great Get Together Fun Day.' The format will be similar to last year's WAT IF? Fun Day but with more involvement of Community Groups to whatever extent they might wish.
Addition of a Scarecrow competition and (if possible) a Fun Dog Show.
A Scarecrow making workshop has been arranged for Saturday 19th May 11am – 1pm, with Soup and Cake snack lunch following, at Tarbrax Village Hall
A theme for the scarecrows was discussed but no decision reached.
Jemma and Patricia to discuss further, then:
Theme to be confirmed at April TCC
The scarecrow entries will be judged on the Friday before the event (ie. 15th June) Possibly by SLC Councillors?
Possible opportunity for a 'Walking' race event and possible pushchair 'race' as well with all finishers receiving a 'Prize' (i.e. not based on speed) This was following a suggestion from a resident.
A response has been sent to Claudia Beamish (as requested in her original email) copied to SLC Councillors, confirming that we are holding an event and Involving all community groups in the planning.
Also giving our reasons why it will not be the same day as the national event. (Coincides with the Highland Show).

18 Mar Item 11) Items for Newsletter
Great Get Together Fun Day in association with WAT IF? and Community Groups
Scarecrow Building Workshop 19th May 11am-1pm with snack lunch
Update on roads and Potholes

18 Mar Item 12) Any Other Competent Business
Following discussion at the February meeting regarding circulating a first draft of the minutes to Community Councillors for comments prior to submission to SLC, P.A.T. had consulted with an SLC Officer and been advised that this practice was acceptable although it might prove cumbersome and time consuming for the Secretary.
It was also acceptable and within the Guidelines to display the draft minutes (as submitted to SLC) for residents provided it was made clear that they were draft and therefore subject to amendment until they were approved .
Following this clarification, there was full agreement these practices could be helpful and should be followed.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 16th April
(All 2018 meetings are on 3rd Monday of the month)

Close of Meeting
The meeting closed at 9:40pm