

Minutes of the Meeting of Garlieston Community Council

Tuesday 5th December 2017

Attendance Members present: Avril Dooley, Bobby Maxwell, Leslie, Williams, Julie Carter , Jonathan Lochrie, Harry Hedley, Jim Davies, Stephen Lochrie, Kelly Maxwell,

Ex officio: Councillors Jim McColm , David Inglis

Members of the public attending: Pat McErlean, Carolyn Johnston

Apologies for absence Chris Hanna, Jim Carter Melanie Lochrie,

Minutes of previous meeting past, proposed & seconded

Police Business Billy Dodds reported several incidents in the village:-

* assault by dog walker on cyclist, hit with ball thrower whilst riding past Harbour Inn

* collision between car and van on Whithorn road

* theft of locked collection box at Galloway House

* incidents of identity fraud and Netflix scams

* Hilux stolen from Whithorn and quad in Whauphill

* Next year is Year of Scottish Young People [8-26] Police Scotland will be playing an active role * The Herbert Protocol is set by NHS & Police Scotland up to assist carers of people with alzheimers/dementia . A form can be downloaded and filled in with person's details, this provides PS with rapid response capability if the person goes missing.

* People are reminded to be vigilant during the Festive season, taking care of personal safety

* Bobby Maxwell also advised people to beware of "fish sellers", don't encourage cold callers only buy from regular merchants

Matters arising:

* Rope ladder on play park replaced

* Concerns expressed by Crossroads organisation have been addressed though still no active response to request for speed monitors and restrictions, suggested date for review 8th Dec

* **AD** thanked everyone, helpers and participants, for overwhelming support for lights switch on. Funds towards more lights next year though more power sources needed, David Inglis suggested contacting D&G. Consider for next year.

Council Business: Jim McColm said it was great relief that the process had halted on closure of school and that we now have 5 years to build up numbers, though of course parental choice prevails. Need to encourage Nursery provision, suggestions for private nursery.

Council have their own plans for nursery expansion.

Condition report on the village hall is now circulating.

David Inglis said the Harbour sub-committee met, still nothing moving but "update due".

Federation talking of trying to organise for all CC members to get an idea of job descriptions of D&G councillors. Newton Stewart resilience team is available if needed for extra support if bad weather etc. Harry Hedley asked why the boulders had not & sandbank adjacent to the harbour wall "repair "had not been cleared as cutting down manoeuvring space and making harbour unworkable for fishermen. Johnathan Lochrie suggested if this the case why

should they pay fees. Jim McColm & David Inglis agreed that this was a different issue than the repair problem therefor Harbour Master [Kirkcudbright] should be contacted

Treasurer's Report Current balance **£10,029.83**. Chris Hanna [treasure] also produced income/expenditure report [displayed]. She also asked for CC members to complete expense forms along with receipts when making claims.

Public Forum Pat McErlain said he had submitted a bill for weed killer for village but had still not received payment. This will be looked into.

AOB

a) D&G council are willing to replace tree which fell down at war memorial, like for like. However, it was felt that a cherry tree is not the most suitable for the location so needs more thought. There is a grant available for fruit trees, but this also needs to be thought out carefully before purchasing to ensure used to best effect

b) Burns Supper planned for hall 20th Jan. Posters advertising around village. Reminded that need 28 days before event to apply for bar licence, **JC** confirm date and time with Harbour

c) villagers have been informed about CPR training via newsletter, Facebook etc. This will take place 7th Dec.

d) Update on village hall will be given at meeting 6th Dec

e) Bobby Maxwell is to have meeting with Roy Walter on 18th Jan to discuss, including funds left from last Gala. Ask **CH** to audit books. Propose Gala 2018 28th July, needs planning now to make the most of event. **BM** also said that the field adjacent to Scottish Water site had been use for gala in past, but may no longer be available, **DI** suggested contacting land registry. He also said that it is possible to borrow/hire gazebos from **Leader, AD/JL** to contact.

f) **AD** visited the new hospital and reported back extremely favourably if anyone unfortunate to have to be a patient.

Jim Davies asked why the road up to the school is not gritted. Jonathan L said the CC had new gritting machines, but they are not very effective.

BM said there had been an accident in the village hall on bingo night. This will be looked into and the hall checked after events to make sure nothing unusual/dangerous left

Kelly Maxwell asked if children's party booked for 16th December, could be changed from 2-4pm to 5-7pm, **JC** to confirm with Stranraer office. Entertainment is being provided by "Pirate Peter" from Isle and **BM** said he would donate the fee. **KM** requested provision of more selection boxes just in case more children attended.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 9th January 2018