

Minutes of the Meeting of Garlieston Community Council

Tuesday 1st Nov 2016

In Attendance

Carol Lochrie (Secretary), Wull Hawkins (Chair), Roy Walter (Treasurer), Ronnie Huxtable (Vice Chair), Julie Carter, Jim Carter, Leslie Williams, George Houston.

Ex Officio: Counsellors Alistair Geddes, Jim McColm and Graham Nicol.

Two members of the public

Apologies for Absence

Chris Rose, Barbara Holmes, Gavin Williams, Roy McGarva

Pre Meeting

Ann and Martin (Caravan Club Wardens) presented the Council with a Thank you card for the Plaque commemorating their Caravan Club Award.

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 4th October 2016

These were accepted as a true and correct record of the proceedings of the meeting.

Proposer: Jim Carter Seconder: Ronnie Huxtable.

2. Matters arising not covered on the remaining agenda.

A) Roy informed the group that regarding the matter of the Old Store and application for financial aid, that the property purchase price cannot exceed 10% of total application. Roy to explore further.

(Action: RW)

B) Carol reported that she had attempted a few times to contact Community Payback team with no success. Wull agreed to contact Carol with list of items/works needing done. Carol to contact Davy Marshall re Roy Lewis to progress this.

(Action: CL)

C) Carol agreed to contact Robert Cowie re site visit before December. It was agreed to discuss Gritting and Salt Bins during this visit. It was agreed that at least 4 members of the council should be present.

(Action: CL)

D) It was noted that the Hall Keeper will retire at end of January 2017. Volunteers are required to open and close the Village Hall as necessary.

E) Roy Walter agreed to order the Christmas tree. It needs to be 6 metres above ground. Volunteers are required to help erect the tree.

F) Volunteers are required to operate 2 salt spreaders for the village. Carol agreed to advertise for volunteers.

(Action: CL)

G) Carol agreed to contact Marian Sunderland and Ruby Bell at Isle of Whithorn regarding the proposed transport arrangements for cancer patients.

(Action: CL)

3) Future of the Village Hall

Karen Brownlee presented the group with options relating to the future of Garlieston Village Hall. It was agreed that she would look into the outstanding repairs that still have not been undertaken to the hall. It was noted that there is not an option for the hall to remain under Dumfries and Galloway Council's control in the future. It was agreed that Claire Renton should be

invited to a meeting to discuss the future of Garlieston Primary School. It was agreed that the future of the Hall and School should be considered together. Carol agreed to contact Chris or Adele from the Parent Council re this. It was agreed that a Public Meeting should take place early in the New Year. Thereafter it was agreed to hold a public survey within the village. Karen agreed to help with the survey. Alistair suggested contacting Harry Hay from the Communities Directorate. Alistair also spoke about the regeneration of the village with more social housing needed for young families to encourage settlement and increase numbers at the school.

(Action: CL)

4) Trees

Karen Brownlees agreed to arrange a meeting with a tree surgeon regarding the dead tree in the school, the trees in the swing park and at the top pub.

(Action: KB)

5) Correspondence

Carol agreed to book two places for Roy Walter and Ronnie Huxtable at the Community Landownership Briefing Session on 22nd Nov in Newton Stewart.

(Action: CL)

6) Police Business

No members of the Police were present at the meeting

7) Public Forum

Chris Donkin is to contact Roy Walter regarding financial help for School Groups.

8) Winter Resilience Group

There was nothing to report.

9) Communities and Enterprising DG

There was nothing to report

10) Planning

There was nothing to report

11) Harbour Site

Alistair agreed to follow up

(Action: AG)

12) Coastal Protection

There were no matters additional to those minuted before

13) Counsellors Business

Wull agreed to contact Carol regarding contact details for Keith Armstrong Clark regarding winter flu vaccinations available in the village.

(Action: WH, CL)

14) Treasurers Report

Roy reported that the Council has received the Discretionary Grant in full

15) AOB

There was no other business

16) Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday 6th December at 7.15pm