

Minutes of the Meeting of Garlieston Community Council

Tuesday 7th March 2017

1. Attendance:

Members present: Jim Carter, Julie Carter, Barbara Holmes, Carol Lochrie (in Chair), Chris Rose, Gavin Williams, Leslie Williams, Avril Dooley, Robert Maxwell, Johnathan Lochrie, Harry Hedley.

6 members of the public

2. **Apologies:** Councillors Alistair Geddes and Jim McColm were not in attendance.

No representation from Police Scotland.

3. Co-option of new members

Harry Hedley Proposer Carol Lochrie. Seconded Jim Carter

Robert Maxwell Proposer Carol Lochrie Seconded Chris Rose

Johnathan Lochrie Proposer Carol Lochrie Seconded Chris Rose

Avril Dooley Proposer Carol Lochrie Seconded Barbara Holmes

4. Election of Office Bearers

Chair Carol Lochrie Proposer Jim Carter Seconded Barbara Holmes

Vice Chair Jim Carter Proposer Gavin Williams Seconded Chris Rose

Secretary Avril Dooley Proposer Julie Carter Seconded Robert Maxwell

Treasurer Barbara Holmes Proposer Jim Carter Seconded Julie Carter

Minute Sec Julie Carter Proposer Barb Holmes Seconded Johnathan Lochrie

5. Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 7 Feb 2017

The minutes were accepted as a true and correct record of the proceedings of the meeting

6. Matters arising not covered on the agenda

a) Agreed to keep options open for the location of the mulberry harbour museum and progress further at next meeting as an agenda item.

b) Jim and Julie Carter still have keys for hall, others are using it so there must be more sets of keys in circulation. List of key holders needed. Write to Karen Brownlee for clarification on booking etc.

Action AD

7. **Police Business** - no attendance from Police Scotland

8. **Public Forum** : Questions raised:

a) Why are councillors not in attendance and why are surgeries not taking place at Garlieston? Action AD to email both councillors

b) Harbour Wall works. John Aspinall asked what the original cost of the works was and how much extra has it cost D&G taxpayers so far as this has been going on over 3 years and is still not completed. Agreed to invite a representative from D&G council, (Alistair Speedy) to the next meeting to answer the questions raised and explain the current position. **Action AD** to email Alistair Geddes and ask him to organise A Speedy attendance.

c) Play Park, Harry Lochrie raised concern on the state of the children's play park, and asked that as it is over 15 years old should it be replaced, who maintains and carries out risk assessment and H&S assessments? After a general discussion it was agreed to investigate the cost of a fence and new play equipment and look at funding opportunities. Also the play park at the harbour, who does it belong to and who maintains it. Contact English Homes and D&G Council **Action BH**

d) Football Field at back of school is in a disgraceful state and needs attention, fences and goal posts need replacing. Football field to be added to the list of outstanding works to be sent to Alistair Geddes. **Action AD**

e) Youth Club funds: Sarah Lochrie asked if they can be used for Garlieston children. Carol Lochrie explained how funds were originally allocated and agreed to ring Suzie Bailey for more information. **Action CL**

f) Rumour that D&G have bought fenced off land behind the garage for social housing? Agreed to email and ask councillors **Action BH**

9. Winter Resilience. Carol Lochrie reported that she had contacted Wendy Jesson but had no response on the request for details of the assistance scheme. After discussion it was agreed that as members of the winter resilience group Johnathan Lochrie and Robert Maxwell would take the matter on bringing to future meetings suggestions on how best to move forward, obtain previous records and information on generator, facilities etc. **Action JL and RW**

CL reported that Scottish Ambulance Service had contacted the Council regarding a Registration to Resuscitation campaign about Public Access Defibrillators. Discussion took place about whether or not funding was provided in the past for a Defibrillator for Garlieston, whether one was purchased and if so where it is located. **Action AD to contact Wendy Jesson again. Also Dougie Williams at Whithorn First Response to see if they can help.**

10. Future of Village Hall/School Carol Lochrie invited Karen Brownlee to this meeting but she couldn't attend, she will definitely be at the April Meeting. Need as many people as possible to attend the meeting.

11. Communities and Enterprising DG nothing to report

12. Planning nothing to report

13. Harbour Site The meeting of the working party on regulation of the boat park met and had drawn up a number of recommendations. As new committee members had not seen this document it was agreed to circulate with minutes and discuss at next meeting. **Action AD/CR**

14. Coastal Protection nothing to report

15 Councillors Business no councillors present at meeting

16. Treasurers Report Carol Lochrie explained current financial situation to new members. There is a current balance of £10,725.60, ring-fenced as follows:

Community Council £2,784.02, Garlieston Goes Wild Lottery Project £7,616.70, Harbour User Group £24.88

Following a general discussion on previous use of Community Council Funds it was agreed that finance in future will be published with minutes of meetings and be transparent at all times. All financial and funding records will be requested from previous treasurer.

17. Any Other Business

Ongoing

Garlieston Sign: Julie Carter has priced cost of refurbishing sign. £175 for picture, framing and attaching to sign as a temporary measure, £340 to totally refurbish the sign. Harry Hedley agreed to price up a sign similar to the one at the garage for the next meeting. Also agreed to ask residents to bring/provide local photographs which could be used on the sign to the next meeting. One will then be chosen for the sign. **Action HH**

Community Payback: Julie and Carol met with Wendy Monteforte to discuss works, work to start in April. Copy of the action plan handed out, extra tasks to be included Beach litter picking, cycle trail info, flower tubs. **Action AD to contact Wendy to add tasks**

New

Stranraer 400, 4 March to 22 April. A taster exhibition celebrating the upcoming 400th anniversary of the Stranraer Town Charter, the exhibition looks at all things Stranraer. Free admission Stranraer Museum, 55 George Street, Stranraer

Email received from Nick Walker regards a date for meeting with SWESTRANS about bus services. Will now be April.

Julie Carter reported that a wall opposite the old pub had collapsed into the burn beside the water wheel, this had been reported to the council by the home owner who was told that it belonged to Galloway House? Discussion followed on Galloway Estate ownership, conservation areas in Garlieston and general areas of land ownership.

Action ??????

Date of next meeting Tuesday 4th April

