

LEUCHARS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held in the Community Centre, Leuchars

12 April 2016

Present: Carroll Finnie (Chair) Jill Russell (Acting Secretary) Jim Finnie, Alisdair Gilbert, Councillor Margaret Taylor, Sam Cullen, Trish Downie, Lucy Jess (Head Teacher Leuchars Primary School) Susan Budd (Army Representative) Elspeth Paterson (Chair Guardbridge Community Council) Members of the Public: Jean Nicoll, Athole Stewart, Michael Paterson

Speaker: Brian Ritchie – Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

1. Chairs opening remarks:

C F welcomed everyone to the meeting

Action Points

2 Apologies:

Trish Graham, Mark Sharp, Cllr Tim Brett, Cllr Bill Conner, Dave

Baxter, Veronica Taylor, Steve Simpson

3 Approval of minutes of 1st March 2016

4d. Suzanne Scobie not Anne Scobie

4e. Could instead of do

6e. Scottish Water

Approved by Jill Russell Seconded by Jim Finnie

4 Army Issues:

a A successful Easter extravaganza was held. 600 eggs were given away

in 7 minutes.

b The request for a coffee machine was not feasible however a kettle

could be provided if wished. This was declined.

c Youth club is starting on 25th April but will only run for Primary 1 – 3

4.30 – 6pm

Post meeting note; The Youth club is now open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for all ages. Times etc. can be viewed in the Community

Centre.

d Open days are to be held for Leuchars, Balmullo and Guardbridge

Schools – Primary's 4, 5 and 6 to visit the camp.

S B

e J R asked if something can be done about soldiers running past the

school just before 9 am while the road is busy with school traffic.

S B advised she would check to see if the route could be changed.

Post meeting note; CF received e mail from S B saying other plans have been put in place

5 Police Issues

None – no Police in attendance.

6 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

B R gave a very interesting talk on fire prevention in homes. He is the

LALO (Local area liaison officer) and is available to visit residents in

their homes to give advice.

7 Fife Council Issues:

a Early morning patrols have been ongoing last week and this week in

Warwick Close, School Hill and Pitlithie Road due to dog fouling

issues in these areas. It will continue next week and as necessary.

b Balmullo Pharmacy; This is now under the 30 days consultation

period. The PPC will then convene

c Eden Centre at Guardbridge is closed until further notice because of

pipework.

d Car parking charges. The £1.00 charge, that will come into force when

the new car park is built, cannot be changed as it has been agreed by

committee. LCC feel it is too cheap and will only encourage people

out with the area using it.

8 School Issues:

a L G informed the C/C that the roof work was now complete and there

had been little disturbance during the work.

b The Easter Service was held in St Athernase Church and conducted by

Rev John Duncan (new minister)

c 5th May Elections, voting will be in the school which has an in service

day.

8 Matters Arising:

6 (d) No comments

(f) As written

a Junction Garden – AG informed the C/C that they are still waiting

for the Air Officer for Scotland to visit and hopefully visit the RAF

stone situated within the wall. J F completed the filling of the wall

and planted it up with Heathers and Polyanthus. AG to

polish the

stone

b CF asked that members please answer the emails she sends out.

c Doocot Field – No update

d Beautiful Fife – Cll Conner will arrange for pear trees that were

planted last year to be checked and if necessary replaced

e Cll Taylor will forward a form for applying to the Parish Trust Fund

which has been given in previous years, however it will only be

given for a project in the village

Post meeting note; CF forwarded form to MS with the suggestion picnic tables and chairs are purchased for Junction Garden

A.O.C.B

a 'The Cakery' has asked that their business plan be returned They also

asked their thanks be passed on to Cllr Brett for his help

Post meeting note; CF has forwarded the business plan to JR who is on the board of 'The Cakery'

b CF has been sent wild flower seeds from Kew Gardens and would like

to get them planted in Junction Garden as soon as help is available.

CF stated that help is required for planting the tubs

and barrels once

they are delivered. Maintenance and watering of plants also required

Watering is done 3 - 4 times a week by JF but as this can be a

dangerous task, due to traffic on Station Road, he requires someone

to assist him. CF spoke about the amount of time that is required on

this and Junction Garden and if no help is forthcoming this will be the

last year her and JF will be doing it. LG offered help with some of the

school pupils. SS has offered to cut the grass at Junction Garden as

will DB

c CF has informed the Scottish Badgers Association about the dead

badger that was on the grass verge at the entrance to the village.

d Cll Brett informed CF that the University are proposing a donation to

the village for the upheaval during the roadworks in Guardbridge.

CF spoke about the structure that a few years back the C/C tried to

get money for - Picture of structure will be presented at next

meeting. The cost of the structure including clocks will be in excess of

£10,000

e White lines have now been painted on Station Road at the junction

of Toll Road

f CPR Training on 5th April which was well attended although it was

disappointing that that the Service families did not take up the

places they had booked through CF.

g EP thanked CF for the invitation to attend the Leuchars Community

Council meeting

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 3rd May 2016 at 7.15 pm in the Community Centre

Members of the public are welcome to attend

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