

## **Community Council Meeting**

## Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019 7:30pm

## **Auchengray Church Centre**

## **Approved Minutes**

Present:

Alistair Marshall Chair Patricia Tucker Secretary

Tricia Govan Treasurer Margaret Addo
Stephen Hunter Barbara Robertson
John Robertson Jane Hunter

Councillor Catherine McClymont Councillor Richard Lockhart
Gregor Leishman Community Participation & Empowerment Team
Lynn Shaw Community Participation & Empowerment Team

Apologies received:

Campbell Fisher Linda Fisher
Julia Marrs John Tucker

Eric Williamson

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and sent best wishes to Julia Marrs wishing her a speedy recovery. He also welcomed Gregor Leishman and Lynn Shaw representing the Community Participation and Empowerment Team to this meeting along with the SLC photographer. Some group photographs were taken at this point.

The meeting resumed and the Chair announced that he would allow members of the public to participate without requesting permission but would reinstate the standing orders at any time during the meeting if he felt it necessary.

2019 June Item 1) Minutes of meeting held on 20th May 2019

Agreed to be a correct record.

**Proposer:** John Robertson **Seconded:** Stephen Hunter

## 2019 June Item 2) Matters arising from the Minutes

- a) SLC Microgrants On Agenda Item: 7 c
- b) June 8<sup>th</sup> Fun Day On Agenda Item: 3
- c) Any other matters arising that were not on the Agenda: (None)

### 2019 June Item 3) June 8th Fun Day

Despite cancellation of all outdoor events, the Fun Day was a great success with lots of positive feedback. Success was due to everyone who turned up to support the day. In particular, thanks are due to all members of the main Community Groups. They all worked hard throughout the day setting up, manning stalls and then clearing up afterwards. Jane Wilson, Catherine Struthers and James Bryden are due our thanks for judging the scarecrows in heavy rain on the Friday evening. They were presented with bottles of wine as gifts of appreciation from the TCC.

There is a FUN DAY review meeting with WAT IF? planned and feedback from everyone present was sought to take to that meeting when we will start planning for next year. One suggestion was that we hold next year's event in May – this received much support. from everyone present.

The Parent & Toddler Group had suggested the small inflatable be replaced by a larger one. This proposal was also supported by everyone present.

## 2019 June Item 4) Tarbrax Village Hall Feedback

No representative was present but feedback had been sent:

- a) Plans for the new Meeting Room were at the Building warrant stage.
- b) The petition for fencing around the Play Park was on hold while costs were considered.
- c) The cooperation between all the Community Groups at the Fun Day had been impressive and notable. That would not have occurred a few years ago. It was felt that this was worth recording and celebrating

# 2019 June Item 5) Empowering Communities / Investing in Communities Fund

**Integrated Health & Social care:** Patricia is continuing to work with WAT IF? to explore the possibility of having a dedicated health worker based in or working out of Auchengray. Jane Wilson (Seniors Project Worker for WAT IF?) is Project Leader on this and Patricia is lead Trustee for WAT IF? The TCC are willing to support this through any available funding from the Investing in Communities Fund.

The Community Participation and Empowerment Team have also offered their help as needed.

## 2019 June Item 6) Secretary's Report

#### a. Actions

Ordering Rosettes & Trophies

Coordination & judging of Scarecrow competition

Finalising plans & schedule for Fun Day with Jemma

Done

#### b. Correspondence

Email and photographs of Tarbrax 'Car Park sent to Councillor McClymont All correspondence has been by email and has been copied to members

Information relevant to Planning sent to all Members – several document links.

SLC Strategic Development Plan sent to all Members

Gregor Leishman re photography & promotion

Response to Biggar CC re online Banking – (TCC Treasurer recommended as advisor).

#### c. Documents received for Circulation

**Dates of SLC Committee Meetings** 

TTRO's circulated to all members

#### d. Roads

A 72 20/5 – 3/6

C28 12/8 - 22/9

Weston at C36 to Walston 1/7 - 5/7

#### e. Website

Updated for Fun Day - will be done again after tonight.

(As data is capped, time working on website is limited accordingly).

#### f. Timebanking hours

Secretary 6 Treasurer 5, Heartstart 5, Fun Day/WAT IF? 5x2 = 10

TCC 11 TOTAL = 36 hours contributed to Community Pool by TCC.

#### 2019 June Item 7) Treasurer's Report

#### a. Current Balance: £2102.74

## b. Bank Accounts: Progress Report

Tricia provided a comprehensive report, explaining that several adjustments would need to be made as events for the Fun Day had been cancelled after payments had been made and we were awaiting refunds etc.

A new Treasurers Account has been applied for with Bank of Scotland. There had been some difficulties with this which had eventually resulted in a compensation payment of £84.00 from the bank to TCC.

Once this new account is set up and running a second account will be opened for the microgrant funds we have applied for and SLC have granted. (Grants Account)

Action T.G.

## c. SLC Microgrants

SLC have accepted our grant application and we await further information. Any grant funding must be paid into a separate bank account specifically for grants – as stated above.

## 2019 June Item 8) Planning

## a Planning Policy

Some years ago, TCC made it their policy to object to all planning applications for windfarms. During the 2017/2018 session this policy was queried and it was agreed to review it during the 2018/2019 session.

To assist with their decision making on this matter, prior to this meeting all TCC Members were sent information with URL's related to Planning Policies, the South Lanarkshire Strategic Development Plan, the policy on Renewable Energy developments, Community Planning and Community Engagement and the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

The Chair asked each member for their opinion on whether we should continue with the previous Policy or to consider each Planning Application in our area on a case by case basis. Following discussion, the proposals below were put to the members and voted upon:

#### That:

1 Tarbrax Community Council agree to rescind the current policy to oppose all applications for wind farms in their area.

This Proposal was agreed unanimously

2 Each and every planning application within the Tarbrax Community Council area will be considered on a case by case basis.

This Proposal was agreed unanimously

3 Every planning application, even outwith the Tarbrax Community Council area, which impacts upon our area in terms of sightlines, will be considered on a case by case basis.

This Proposal was agreed unanimously.

## b Application P/19/0725 Open View Tarbrax

Single dwelling located behind Open View and Holy Lodge. Access shared with Open View. The application was discussed. No residents have approached the TCC regarding the application. No action required.

There was some discussion regarding the lack of notices posted locally about this application. Apparently, it is no longer a requirement to post such notices except for listed buildings.

## 2019 June Item 9) Items for Newsletter

A request was made to include contact information for Office Bearers on the TCC page in the Newsletter.

Action: M.A.

## 2019 June Item 10) Any Other Competent Business

- a) South Lanarkshire Outdoor access Forum. Patricia can no longer attend these meetings. Jemma from WAT IF? attends whenever possible. Is anyone else able to attend this meeting? Nobody else was available to attend.
- b) Stephen asked if there had been any further progress regarding the fencing around the Play Park on the common. A short discussion on possible costs and fencing options followed.
- c) Patricia reported that, following a complaint from a resident, she had contacted Councillor McClymont regarding the potholes and puddles on Tarbrax Car Park. Councillor McClymont is following this up.

Date of Next Meeting Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 7:30pm at Auchengray Church Centre

Close of Meeting The meeting closed at 8:45pm