

CAMBUSLANG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting of Tuesday 15th March 2016

Venue: Cambuslang Institute

Present

J Taylor Chairman
D Thomson Vice Chairman
H B Allan Secretary
J Bachtler Treasurer
I Frame
M Gurling
D MacDonald

In Attendance

Sgt J Lee (Police Scotland)
PC C Armstrong
Cllr R Tullett
E Cais (Friends of Cambuslang Park)
S Smith (Friends of Douglas Park)
E A Allan (Minute Secretary)

Welcome

The Chairman welcomed Members and others present to the Meeting.

Apologies

H Allison, R Allison, D Porter, M Farmer, Cllr W Brogan, Cllr P Clearie, Cllr R Clearie, Cllr C McColl, J Kelly MSP

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Meeting of 16th February were read.

Corrections

There were no corrections.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

The Minutes were approved by Mr Frame and seconded by Mr MacDonald.

Police Report

The Chairman thanked the Police representatives for their report and opened the Meeting to questions.

The Minute Secretary raised the issue of speed on Brownside Road, and Mr MacDonald asked if a 20 miles per hour limit might be possible on West Coats Road. Sgt Lee said that road safety is one of the priorities for next year.

Mr Bachtler and Mrs Farmer are due to have a meeting with Sgt Bucknall with regard to anti-social behaviour as this was an issue which was raised in the recent Community Survey results.

There being no further questions to the Police representatives, the Chairman thanked them for their attendance and the Police representatives left the Meeting.

Chairman's Correspondence

The Chairman said he has received a letter from the Chairman of Summerfest, enclosing a copy sent by the Chairman of Summerfest to Cllr McAvoy. The Chairman read the letter to the Meeting.

The Chairman asked for the Meeting's approval to write to South Lanarkshire Council supporting Summerfest's request for reinstatement of their full grant. This was approved by the Members.

Secretary's Report

The Secretary said there have been the usual number of requests to turn garages into rooms but nothing contentious in relation to planning applications.

Information sheets about the forthcoming Holyrood elections have been received, and these were distributed to Members.

Treasurer's Report

February balance	£1,342.79
Balance today	£1,092.80

Expenditure - £210 for administration and £39.99 for stationery.

Outstanding Expenditure: £78.00 Community Survey - fee to Survey Monkey for three months at £26 per month. Not yet reimbursed to Mr Bachtler. £32.97 for printer cartridges and paper owed to Mr Bachtler.

Transactions on £35,000 Scottish Government grant still to be processed. Invoice for £10,656 has been submitted for planters. Details regarding the remainder will be reported to the Scottish Government on 17th March.

The Treasurer advised the Meeting that RBS have now confirmed that the Chairman has been added as a signatory to the account.

Public liability insurance form has been sent off.

Accounts information for end of year report to South Lanarkshire Council is being prepared. There is an underspend of £93.84 of the grant.

Cycle Project

Mr Bachtler gave an update.

Application has been submitted to create an SCIO. At present formal approval for transfer of land is still awaited.

Regarding the Clyde Walkway, work on the first stage is ongoing. An application to Central Scotland Green Network Trust for £100,000 has been turned down.

There has been discussion with Margaret Ferrier MP about the steel task force set up by the Scottish Government to take over Tata Steel's operation at Clydebridge and Cycle Path (Cambuslang Bridge - Dalmarnock Bridge) further progress is being

Town Centre Community Capital Fund

The £35,000 mark has now been reached in terms of commitment of funding. Progress is being made with regard to planters and the verge and new plant bed. The number of hanging baskets has now reached 50.

With regard to virtual shop fronts, Mr Bachtler circulated possible ideas for these.

Mr Frame asked why shops are lying empty and whether it might be possible to ask the developers to reduce rents. Mr Bachtler said reducing the rents would reduce the asset value of the portfolio.

Mr Bachtler circulated possible designs for the proposed banners. These will be 2-2.5 metres in length. The intention is to locate them at Bridge Street, Clydeford Road and Greenlees Road.

Cambuslang in Bloom

A separate sub-group of the Community Council is being set up for this. Cambuslang Allotment Gardens have become involved. This is being promoted through other gardening clubs, churches and community notice boards and a programme of maintenance over the summer is being set up.

Friends of Holmhills Park

Mr Thomson said Mrs Farmer would welcome donations of seeds.

Cambuslang Green Network

Mr Bachtler has had a meeting with staff at Cairns Primary who are intending to start a series of projects.

Community Survey

Mr Bachtler gave a presentation to the Probus Club. This received a good response and a lot of interest.

Any Other Business

Mrs Gurling circulated details of Easter Services to the Members.

Mr Thomson said the British Legion Cambuslang Branch is involved with Healthy N Happy in provision of benches near the Miners Wheel. It is intended to have two plaques there with details of the Victoria Cross winners who had links with Cambuslang. Mr Thomson asked if it might be possible to have one of the planters in that area.

Attempts are being made to get weather proof plaques with the names of the fallen for the vicinity of the War Memorial.

The car park at Kyle Court is now closed until December as renovation work is being carried out at Kyle Court.

Cllr Tullett said Mr Bachtler had recently been presented with a Community Service Award in recognition of the work he has done.

Mr MacDonald said Cambuslang MOT will be moving from Johnson Drive to Westburn Road near Scotkarts in the summer.

Mr Bachtler said he felt it would be helpful to develop proposals for a new parking strategy for Cambuslang which would hopefully attract the support of elected members and attempt to drive some change in terms of the parking situation.

Mr Bachtler said he has been approached by neighbours wanting to know the current situation with regard to Cambuslang Golf Club. The Chairman said no approach has yet been made to planning.

Closure of Meeting

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the Meeting, thanking all present for their attendance. The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th April 2016 in Cambuslang Institute, Greenlees Road, Cambuslang at 7.30 pm.

APPENDIX ONE**Police Report Given to Cambuslang Community Council on 15th March 2016**

Sgt Lee said Cambuslang has recently been not too bad compared with Rutherglen. There have been four house breakings in Cambuslang, but it does not seem that any particular area is being targeted. While the dark nights are still with us, there is sometimes a spike in house breakings.

There have been no major incidents over the last four weeks to report. There is one long-term missing person.

They are currently receiving support from the Gangs Task Force and plain clothes officers are coming into the area, especially between midnight and 3.00 am.

There have been no major issues with regard to public disorder in the crime reports over the last two weeks.