

Uplawmoor Community Council

Minutes

Minutes Meeting Held in the Mure Hall on Monday 15 May 2017

Present: Gordon Steel (Chairman)
 Ross Leggat (Secretary)
 Charles Brindley
 Karyn Mack
 Danielle Glendinning
 Ivy Cowan

Councillor Angela Convery

1 members of the public

Apologies: None

Item		Action	Date
1.0	Chairman's Opening Remarks		
1.1	As there were 2 new members and a new Councillor in attendance, everyone was asked to introduce themselves.		
2.0	Approval of April 2017 Meeting Minutes		
2.1	The minutes were approved, with 1 amendment – Ivy Cowan's apologies added. Proposed: Seconded:		
3.0	Items Continued from Previous Minutes		
3.1	Tom Arthur MSP Communications Tom Arthur MSP has sent a response to Gordon Steel regarding his questions about Geothermal energy. This is to be circulated to all members of the CC. We are still awaiting a response for the following topics: Local Public Transport, Vaccine Campaigns and Public Footpath to Neilston. Questions regarding these topics were asked when Tom Arthur visited the CC in November 2016. Cllr Angela Convery will chase this up.	RL Cllr AC	
3.2	A736 Signage and Road Markings It has been noted at previous meetings that the road markings and signs at the bridge before welshe's is inadequate. Since our last meeting there has been another crash. We would like to pursue a reduced speed limit for this piece of road. Cllr Angela Convery may be able to assist with this.	Cllr AC	

3.3	Drainage at Nukefoot Lane A point was raised at our AGM that the drainage at Nukefoot lane is not suitable and requires upgrading. Cllr Angela Convery will help get us in touch with the relevant people.	Cllr AC	
3.4	Artificial Sports Surfaces A question was raised some time ago by Charles Brindley as to the materials used to create the 4G pitches in East Renfrewshire council as it has been found that the 4G pitches in Sweden contain carcinogenic materials. Previous councillors were looking into this however did not give a definitive answer as to the findings of the investigation. Cllr Angela Convery will pursue this.	Cllr AC	
3.5	Tyres on Fereneze Road We believe that the tyres have now been removed.		
3.6	Police Tape in verge of A736 This still remains in place.		
3.7	Wind Turbine Decommissioning Bond As Neilston Wind Farm has recently been sold questions were raised as to whether there were funds in place for when the Turbines are to be removed. Cllr Angela Convery will contact Cllr Tony Buchannan as Neilston is now in a different ward.	Cllr AC	
3.8	Sale of Neilston Wind Farm We received correspondence from NDT to inform us that the Wind Farm had been sold. NDT had invested £900,000 in the project and after all costs have been paid they will be left with a profit of £2million this is in addition to £400,000 which the Wind Farm has already generated. There is to be a charitable fund set up for local organisations to apply for funding from this money – however this is not entirely clear at the moment. There is a meeting about this on Tuesday 30 th May at 6:30pm in St Thomas Church Hall.		
3.9	Pop-up Banner It has been decided to accept the offer of the Banner. Ross Leggat will contact ERC to arrange.	RL	
4.0	Planning Report		
4.1	A planning application for land 40m south of 31 Tannoch Road. This used to be the railway yard (over bridge to spunkie and on the left). The application is for a 1.5 story dwelling house and separate 2 car garage. We have no comment for this application.		
5.0	Matters Arising		
5.1	UCC Emails At present, all correspondence is only visible to the Chair and Secretary. It was proposed that all members have a Read Only login to the email system so that everyone is aware of what is going on in the community council. It was agreed that this should happen. Ross will set this up and send everyone their unique username and password.	RL	
5.2	Notify ERC of Co-Options and Resignations Gordon Steel has notified Vincent McCulloch of the resignation of Joyce Miller, Cath Close and Emily Wallace. He has also notified of the co-option of Danielle Glendinning and Karyn Mack.		

5.3	Uplawmoor Gala Day The Gala Day is on the 10 th of June 2017. Cllr Angela Convery notified us that this is the same day as the Barrhead Rainbow Run which is organised by All About Barrhead (the Barrhead Business Improvement District). The Uplawmoor Runs will go ahead as normal. Very few details are known about the Gala Day at present.		
6.0	Correspondence		
6.1	A737 Closure We received notification regarding the closure of the A737. The diversion route was via the A736 however nobody noticed too much of an increase of traffic. This was posted to the Website and Social Media.		
6.2	Updates from Neighbourhood Watch We received an update from the local Neighbour Hood Watch. The update contained information about fake police officers targeting tourists. Ross Leggat will post this to the website and Social Media.	RL	
6.3	M77 Closure The M77 is to be closed a number of times overnight for resurfacing works. Notice is to be placed on Website and Social Media.	RL	
6.4	East Renfrewshire Disability Action Michael for ERDA sent us an email asking to come if he can meet with us to discuss what they do and to see if we could work together. Cllr Angela Convery made us aware that there is new legislation to make public vehicles – taxis- more accessible. We agreed to invite him to the next meeting – Ross Leggat to reply.	RL	
7.0	Treasurers Report		
7.1	Current Balance – £932.62		
7.2	Following the AGM we have no treasurer. Gordon Steel contacted Vincent McCulloch to ask if the Chair and Secretary could take on the role. Vincent replied stating that the Chair and Secretary could carry out the role for 3 months and then must find a new treasurer.		
8.0	Web and Social Media Report		
8.1	Website 540 views this month – this is down from usual.		
9.0	Police Report		
9.1	There have been no crimes reported under any of the categories: Assault, Violent Crime, Drug Use & Taking and House Breakings.		
9.2	The police noted that this time of year Power Tool theft is on the increase as people are not locking their Shed's and Garages. They believe that the bulk of these thefts are opportunists.		
9.3	Gordon raised concerns about the speed at the bridge and welshe's garage. He asked is a speed limit could be imposed. The police advised us to lobby the ERC roads department, the police would be happy to provide statistics for the area however it is up to the roads department to set any limit. The police officer said that enforcing the any limit in that area would be difficult as there is no safe place for them to stand or		

	park a camera van. The present police officer will speak to the Police & ERC liaison officer.		
9.4	<p>The police asked for feedback on their new system – last year there were two teams introduced, including a local problem solving team. This means that it is usually the same officers dealing with an area.</p> <p>Gordon Steel stated that anything that increases liaison between the community and the police is positive.</p> <p>Ivy Cowan feedback that 2 incidents at Hall of Caldwell that were attended by police were not reported to ourselves as it was the Johnstone police attended.</p> <p>The officer present said that better communication between stations and teams could be looked at. The police are enjoying the teams as it is allowing them to target incidents and issues.</p>		
9.5	Ross Leggat asked if there was any more news about the possible closure of Barrhead and Giffnock police stations. The officer attending stated that it is not clear if either are under serious consideration – centralisation causes a deterioration of local links which have been built up.		
10.0	Any Other Competent Business		
10.1	Cllr Angela Convery asked about the official start time of the meeting as ERC have it down as 7pm. It was explained to her that traditionally the Cllrs had their surgeries before the meeting so this was probably the reason for this. She is considering running her surgery prior to the meeting.		
10.2	Ivy Cowan asked about road works on Uplawmoor Road. This is capital works being carried out by Scottish Water.		
11.0	Next Meeting		
11.1	The Next Meeting will be Monday 19 th June 2017 at 19:30pm.		