**TROON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2015 IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SOUTH BEACH TROON**

**SEDERUNT:**

TTC: D Graham (Vice Chairperson), D Barr, E Williamson, A Cameron, E McNish, N Power,

F Carson, D Cram, B Phillips, M Love (Secy & Min. Secy)

**POLICE SCOTLAND:** PC B Wood

**SAC:** Cllrs. P Convery, N McFarlane, P Saxton; Ms R Leith

**PUBLIC FORUM:**  A Gibson, S Dunning, G Baird

**MARR COLLEGE PUPIL REPRESENTATIVES:** K Davis, L Light

**MEDIA REPRESENTATIVE:**  S Houston, Ayrshire Post

**APOLOGIES:**

H Duff (Chairperson), R Milligan, K Workman, Cllr W McIntosh, J Thornhill, A Wainwright, L Matheson.

**CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME;**

D Graham (Vice Chairperson) opened the meeting by welcoming all those present, and asked Ms Rhonda Leith of South Ayrshire Council, Team Leader, Community Learning and Development

**SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL, MS R LEITH**

Ms Leith delivered a very informative report on the current and intended situation with regard to the engagement of the youth population of Troon, and responded in detail to questions posed by members re locations, transport possibilitis, and left copies of a Troon Youth Consultation Questionnaire, showing the main areas of consultation as Muirhead Activity Centre, Barassie Primary School, The Lighthouse Church and Marr College. In addition she offered to meet with F Carson to discuss the situation within Muirhead.

D Graham thanked Ms Leith for her input and attendance.

**POLICE REPORT**

PC Blair Wood gave a comprehensive report on the current crime situation in the Troon area, whilst confirming that figures showed a decrease from last year. H responded positively to enquiries re intervention work having been carried out with problematic youths at both North Shore Road; and in addition spoke of youngsters playing football in certain areas, and of alternatives being sought.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**A Gibson ra**ised the following points:

* The difficulty for drivers in reading the sign at the new Roundabout in Kilmarnock Road. Cllr Convery will contact with an update in the possible change of plan.
* The presence of a Trailer at the old Paddling Pool, and of her difficulty in obtaining an explanation from South Ayrshire Council officials as to its presence. It was confirmed that TUSK had been given permission to leave this equipment there.
* Access to the South Beach Promenade being either closed off, or poorly maintained. D Graham advised contact with Council Offices and also with R Shipley, SAC Outdoor Access Officer, and agreed to also contact Ms Shipley on Mrs Gibson's behalf.

**G Baird** requested details of Troon Community Council's Activities, and was advised to speak to the Activities Group members.

**MARR COLLEGE PUPILS**

Troon Community Council was pleased to welcome the attendance of two Senior Pupils, Kirsten Davis, and Luke Light, who will be our Student Representatives on the Community Council, and who will submit a report at each monthly meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

With the amendment of Item 5 under OTHER REPORTS, where the heading should have read:

**SAC Tenants Information and Fun Day,** the minutes were approved by E Williamson, and seconded by F Carson.

**MATTERS ARISING:**

**North Drive Housing –** it was confirmed that a letter of objection has been sent to F Sharp, SAC

**Stagecoach Bus Service** – and their meeting with TCCouncillor A Cameron, along with SAC Cllr McFarlane

**Troon Beacon** – due to R Milligan's absence, report was deferred to next month's meeting.

**Tree Growth** still requiring to be trimmed at Roundabout

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Incoming**

SAC – Notice of a Public Procession: Apprentice Boys of Derry, 18th September

“ “ “ “ 31st Loans Scouts, Armistice Parade

The Post Office- Muirhead Post Office, Proposed Move to new premises

SSAFA – Fundraising Dinner

**Outgoing**

Mr T Young – Glasgow Taxis (letter of Appreciation)

Ms J Reid - “ “ “ “

Mr A Moore - “ “ “ “

Mr & Mrs D Lunan (letter of thanks for TCC service)

SAC (Ms F Sharp) Planning Service – letter of objection re North Drive

**OTHER REPORTS**

**SAC Tenants Information and Fun Day** – A Cameron confirmed that this was a great success

**Planning** – D Graham and A Cameron spoke of their attendance at a recent poorly attended Meeting . A Cameron spoke again of her wish to have a representative of the Planning Department's attendance in order to clarify guidelines, at a future Troon Community Council.

**SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

**Councillor McFarlane spoke of the following:**

* Youth Centre Funds, confirming that £1000 had been returned to the Rotary Club, and that the remainder was designated by Troon Round Table for use of the youth in Troon, whilst suggesting that Round Table representatives might be invited to attend a future meeting. N Power explained the distribution of funding and was asked to inform the populace of Troon.
* Changes to the Stagecoach Bus Service, and that she has been in contact with SNP MP P Whitford with the proposed service
* Dog Fouling on the Playfields, and of her communication with the Minister of Sport
* The Post Office Consultation re changes to Muirhead Post Office's location, and of the services provided within.

**Councillor P Saxton spoke of the following:**

* North Drive Housing – the situation is on hold.
* North Shore Road Beach Area where access is unfeasible due to overgrowth, and the necessity for a path to be created, and suggested that a letter could be sent in support from Troon Community Council.
* Recent meetings held at Struthers Primary School, and Muirhead Primary School re the catchment areas , and the extremely disappointing turnout of parents.
* Attention to Pathway into the Flats being underway
* A report on operating the Struthers Primary School kitchen
* Templehill Gardens, where the trimming work has taken place
* Templehill Toilet Block where negotiations are underway
* Insultation Materials in Containers at Hosiery Park
* All Weather Pitches at Marr – a diagram was issued

**Cllr P Convery spoke of the following:**

* The availability of Bunting for functions; of writing to SAC for their provision, together with an application to the Small Grants Committee for financial assistance with the erection of the decorations.
* Road repairs which include Crosbie Road, and Monktonhill Road, noting that a sign warning of the bend in Monktonhill Road is necessary
* The slowly progressing installation of various Bus Shelters
* Tenders having been requested for the redecoration of Troon Council Chambers
* Gordon Brown's Garden
* The neglected area at the former premises of the Territorial Army at Jubilee Road, and of the difficulty in establishing ownership
* The Master plan at Wallacefield Road
* His attendance at, and praise for, a Locality Planning – Specialist Interaction which took place recently at the Scout Hall.

**RESPONSE TO COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

* Cllr McFarlane spoke of her previous involvement in locating bunting, and asked that the Minutes in future show identification of responsibility.
* E Williamson asked again that the Banners/notices/eyesores could be removed by SAC from the former TA ground at Jubilee Road
* D Barr reinforced this by stating her dismay at the number of posters/notices/banners which are displayed illicitly, and asked that this situation be addressed.
* A Cameron spoke of her concern at the display of banners at Fullarton Drive; of the possible charge at the erection of bunting; of Containers and a large Crane interfering with the safe walking route for school children at Hosiery Park; car parking issues; of the proposed situation at Muirhead Post Office, and the possible parking difficulties; and of her meeting together with Cllr McFarlane with the Stagecoach Authorities.

**ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

**Two Further Co-opted Members:**

G Baird was proposed as a Co-opted Member by D Graham, and this was seconded by D Barr

S Dunning was proposed by D Graham, and this was seconded by M Love

**Eurobins**

E McNish spoke of the unsatisfactory situation at Muirhead, and of the removal of parking spaces, with no installation as yet of Eurobins, causing problems to residents, where parking spaces are at a premium, and of their removal of recently installed railings.

**Troon RNLI**

D Barr asked that Congratulations were extended to Troon RNLI Crew for their awards (a Thanks of the Institution on Vellum, and 3 Framed Letters of Thanks) , for their part, together with Girvan RNLI, in an extremely challenging rescue which took place in January 2015 Troon Community Council agreed that a letter of congratulations be sent to Troon RNLI for this achievement, together with a letter to Provost H Moonie, with the request for an Official Reception in recognition of this achievement.

**Muirhead Clean Up Date and Halloween Party**

N Power asked that the Muirhead Clean Up Date of 15th October and the Halloween Party on 31st October be noted.

**Marr College Senior Student Representatives**

E Williamson asked both Kirsten and Luke for their opinion(s) on the conduct and business dealings of Troon Community Council. Both replied that they had found the meeting both interesting and informative, and would compile a report for the next meeting.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 9.00pm.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Tuesday 3rd November 2015**

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