**TROON COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD ON TUESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2016**

**IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SOUTH BEACH, TROON**

**SEDERUNT**

**TCC** – Ch. H Duff, Vice Ch. D Graham, Tr. B Phillips, Sec. M Love, D Barr, A Cameron,

E Williamson, K Workman, A Wainwright, J Thornhill, G Baird, E McNish, R Milligan, A McIndoe, L Matheson, N Power

**SAC** – Cllr N McFarlane, Cllr P Convery, M Newall, L Linton, P Scully, S Lewis

**PUBLIC FORUM**- 10 Persons attending

**APOLOGIES** – F Carson, D Cram, P Saxton, S Dunning

**CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME**

H Duff welcomed all those in attendance at the meeting, making especial reference to the volume of members of the public.

**POLICE REPORT**

WPC L Booth gave a general overview of the current situation in the Troon area which included the crimes of housebreaking, misuse of drugs, immigration offences, road traffic issues, disorder and anti-social behaviour. In addition she spoke of the present Road Safety campaign reporting on various issues in connection. Parking issues at Welbeck Golf Club were also discussed with some members.

**TROON CEMETERY EXTENSION**

M Newall, SAC Head of Neighbourhood Services, gave a full and informative report on the proposals for Troon Cemetery Extension, outlining SAC's legal duty to provide burial space. His report was supported by a visual display, accompanied by the issue of a sketch illustrating the proposed extension.

**OPEN FORUM**

* M Connolly spoke of the letter which he has sent to various parties, including a copy for TCC, re the continuing closure situation of toilet facilities at Ayr Bus Station. Cllr McFarlane agreed to investigate further. A Cameron will attend a Bus Users Group meeting next Wednesday.
* M Palmer, Dundonald Action Group, once again spoke at length re the proposed alterations at the Hillhouse and Hallyards Quarries, and their effect on the Dundonald community together with changes to the Smugglers' Trail.
* Mrs Newton spoke of her difficulty in gaining appropriate use of the MyBus service. Troon Community Council undertook to write to MyBus Headquarters to establish the guidelines for allocation. It was also agreed that a copy of this letter should be sent to South Ayrshire Council CEO, Mrs E Howat. It was further agreed to letter Mrs Newton with any resulting reply..
* D Read of Troon Business Association spoke of the forthcoming Troon Street Market, with the information that a 3year licence has been granted, and that the market will take place at the side of the Concert Halls on the 4th Saturday of each month commencing in March.She also made mention of the proposed Troon Nightime Cafe for youngsters of S1 to S6 age group, and the intention to involve senior pupils to assist in the organisation.
* An Outdoor Sports Facility is also planned at Barassie Beach, with the support of various bodies, and the expectation of available funding.
* A MacDonald spoke of the serious lack of bins for disposal of dog excrement, citing the area between North Shore Road and Portland Park where no bins are in place. It was suggested that the services of an Enforcement Officer should be sought, and invited to the March meeting. Cllr Convery and P Scully will investigate and report back. P Scully undertook to organise the Stencilling of pavements in the area. Lengthy discussion followed, with A Cameron agreeing to submit a Health Warning for inclusion in Troon's Going Out.

**TROON VILLAGES “DECISION DAY”**

S Lewis gave detailed information on this event which takes place on Saturday 25th February, when pitches for financial assistance from various organisations will be made, and voted upon thereafter. After some discussion, it was agreed that Troon Community Council should pitch for financial support with regard to:

* Assisting the preservation of Crosbie Cemetery
* Additional funding for TCC Gala Day, and Wintertainment

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the January meeting were approved by R Milligan, and seconded by E Williamson

**MATTERS ARISING**

* Civic Award Ceremony – B. Phillips will attend in place of D Graham. D Barr will take gift on the night.
* After some discussion on the situation re unpleasant correspondence received from R J Forbes Dunlop/C Domanska with some members expressing their extreme disappointment at the lack of support from South Ayrshire Council, it was agreed that a letter on this subject be sent to CEO, South Ayrshire Council, Mrs E Howat.
* D Barr confirmed that she had organised the polishing of the Salver, and gave a quote for its redipping restoration.
* H Duff spoke of the forthcoming meeting involving various organisations in the Troon on 16th February, stating her hope of a good attendance where events will be announced, and dates arranged to avoid “clashes”.
* Protection Net at Golf Course – Various opinions were expressed with especial regard to costs. Cllr Convery will investigate and report back.
* VASA Conference at Brigadoon – Cllr McFarlane stated that in response to her enquiry re facilities for the disabled, an email stated that there was no issue with regards to disabilities.
* Crosbie Kirkyard – J Thornhill will attend whilst awaiting the cost of the plaque.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

B Phillips confirmed that funds were in a healthy position.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

SAC – COMMUNITY COUNCILS ELECTIONS 2017 - Details of Existing and Coopted Members

SAC – Licensing Scotland Act 2005 – Troon Links Golf Clubhouse. No objections were raised.

SAC – COMMUNITY COUNCILS ELECTIONS 2017 - Advert for display and Supply of Nomination Forms

Clyde Marine Planning Partnership (by email)-

SPEnergy Networks (by email) – re Cycle Path

Copy of Letter from M Connolly to Stagecoach West re Closure of Toilet Provision at Ayr Bus Station. Cllr N McFarlane agreed to contact Stagecoach re the Disability Issues raised by the closure

**OTHER REPORTS**

Chairperson Helen Duff reported on the following

* Odd Objects Competition – H Duff confirmed that the Competition organised by G. Mulveny will commence on 31st March
* Wintertainment Date was confirmed as 19th November, and H Duff has already made preliminary enquiries by email to S McLean re permission for the Fairground erection.
* Paul Foster – It was agreed that a letter of congratulations be sent to P Foster on his latest triumph at the World Indoor Bowling Championships, and that a letter should be sent to Provost Moonie with suggestion of a Civic Reception.
* The Costs concerning the Police Scotland Beach Buggy

In conclusion she spoke of the revamped Activities Group which will now include all interested members.

**SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

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

* Remedial work to prevent flooding being required at culvert in Charles Drive
* Family members' attendance at the re-opening of the Gordon Brown Memorial Garden
* The completion of repair work in the Council Chambers
* Lack of contact by Ayrshire Roads Alliance re the installation of a pedestrian crossing at Sanderling Court

**Councillor N McFarlane** spoke of the following:

* Forthcoming Tour of the Golf Clubhouse
* Tour of Troon Primary School renovations
* Forthcoming tour of Marr College
* The solution to the overhanging tree at Wilson Avenue
* Her deep concern, as documented in Troon's Going Out, of a young homeless person; of her efforts on his behalf; and her gratitude to the efforts of others to try to alleviate the situation.

**ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

**Planning Application re Hillhouse/Hallyards quarries** – D Graham spoke of the situation relating to this application.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at approximately 10.15pm

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 7TH MARCH 2017**

**Helen Duff, Chairperson**

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