**MINUTES OF TROON COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**ON TUESDAY 4th JULY 2017**

**AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SOUTH BEACH, TROON**

**SEDERUNT**

**TCC:** H Duff, D Graham, M Love, D Barr, E Williamson, A Cameron, K Workman, F Carson, R Milligan, A McIndoe

**SAC**: P Convery, R Pollock, C Mackay, P Saxton, P Scully

**MEMBER(S) OF THE PUBLIC:**  M Connolly

**APOLOGIES:** N Power, L Matheson, A Wainwright, Cllr C Mackay

**CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME**

**H** Duff opened the meeting by welcoming all those present; she expressed her regret at the resignation of M Love as Minute Secretary, Secretary and serving member of Troon Community Council in warm and complimentary terms. She asked the councillors for approval of appointment of E McNish as Minute Secretary, and June Thornhill as Secretary.

E McNish was proposed by M Love, and this was seconded by D Graham

J Thornhill was proposed by H Duff, and this was seconded by E Williamson.

**OPEN FORUM**

M Connolly spoke of the situation regarding the Toilets at Ayr Bus Station; of the Toilets at Arthur Street now being open, but of insufficient signage. Cllr P Saxton will investigate and report back.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Minutes were approved by **E Williamson,** and seconded by **R Milligan** with the following amendments, prior to their approval, as per e-mail verbatim to avoid any dubiety, received from **L Matheson:**

“**Under Matters Arising – First Aid Certificate** – what I actually said was that a

nursing qualification is not acceptable for First Aid duties. This needs to be a trained First Aider and I was unsure of my status as a First Aider at present because although I have trained with the Red Cross previously, the certificate may not be current.(I have checked and it is not current).

**Under Correspondence RNLI Open Day** I stated that I would **NOT** be able to attend as I have family duties that week.

**Under Questions to Councillors** – I asked about funding for Action on Hearing Loss”.

**MATTERS ARISING**

**P Scully** spoke of the previously suggested co-option of N McFarlane, informing that her cooption as a Specialist would, in the first instance, allow her to attend any closed meeting re the forthcoming judicial proceedings.

**E Williamson** spoke of her gratitude to P Scully re the clearing of the sand build-up at the South Beach Car Park.

**D Barr** spoke again of the overhanging trees situation impeding pedestrian progress, noting that nothing has been done. Cllr Convery will investigate and report back.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**B Phillips** confirmed that funds are in a healthy position. Thanks were awarded to those members involved in the TCC stall at the Gala, when a total in excess of £270 was raised.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Incoming**

SAC – Proposed New Street Names for Residential Development at NE Troon circulated to all members

Ayrshire CND – circulated to all members

**By Email:**

D Stewart re CK Marr Educational Trust

L Matheson re Inaccuracies in June Minutes (already circulated by writer to all members)

Apologies from Cllr C Mackay

SAC, CEO E Howat re Uncontrolled and Unwelcome Dog presence

**Very prompt confirmation** via M Welsh/P Scully, South Ayrshire Council employees re Public Liaibility Insurance Enquiry

**Outgoing**

SAC – Uncontrolled and Unwelcome Dog Presence on South Beach

M Welsh – Letter of Resignation from M Love

By Email: Request for confirmation of the Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults Section of Troon Community Council Public Liability being in place, due to enquiry from a member.

**OTHER REPORTS**

**P Scully** spoke of the First Aid 1 Day Course in Maybole taking place on 6th September at a cost of £90. J Thornhill, K Workman, and F Carson are interested in attending. In addition Paul spoke of the PVG check at a cost of £25 pp, and suggested that perhaps 4 councillors should consider applying.

R **Milligan, H Duff and A Wainwrigh**t attended Project Griffin, confirming that it was a very informative and worthwhile experience, and that a a special meeting could be arranged in Troon, inviting other community groups to attend a demonstration.

**A Cameron** spoke of the very disappointing turnout of the Bus Users Group AGM which took place on 17th June. She spoke in detail of the changes in services. Cllr Saxton quoted from reply which had been received from F Smith of Stagecoach.

**R Milligan** spoke of contact with Provost H Moonie and I Clarkson re lack of transport to Dundonald Links for the Scottish Open Championship, confirming that he had received a reply from Provost Moonie who agreed to investigate, but that no reply had been received so far from I Clarkson.

**H Duff** confirmed that arrangements are already well underway for Wintertainment scheduled for 19th November; she also stated that she had received an approach from a Highland Dancing display team, which would be a welcome asset.

**SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

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

* Applications in September for funding
* The golf – associated names for streets in North East Development, which will now include The Postage Stamp and Prestwick Auld
* Hearing Loss Funding

**Cllr B Pollock** spoke of the folllowing:

* the proposed sale of the Templehill Toilets and monies raised
* of its possible use as a Cycle Hire and Repair shop
* the obstruction of vision for drivers caused by plants at the Irvine Road Roundabout
* Wilson Avenue road requiring resurfacing, and of his meeting with some residents, accompanied by D Barr
* Early Years Consultation provision increase from 600 to 1100 hours

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

* the possibility of an order to prevent the Dogs (and other four legged animals) situation on our beaches, and of notices to be posted at Troon Cemetery
* directional signs at Troon Railway Station being indecipherable
* a contract being issued for repairs at the Dunes steps awaiting tenders
* the final phase of construction at the NE Development, with no immediate plans for further local planning
* LED lighting planned for the trees around Council Chambers for Christmas
* strimming of borders at 23-57 West Crescent

**QUESTIONS TO SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCILLORS**

**F Carson** asked for the assistance of the councillors on the following:

* the situation re lack of toilet facilities in Troon
* the poor bus services
* the walking of dogs and their owners allowing their dogs to defecate in cemetaries
* her concern at the situation of the Burger Bar Van situated near Marr College

**A McIndoe** asked for the assistance of the councillors on the following:

* cars driving at speed at Fullarton Woods.
* In addition she spoke of the flashing green sign at the Chemist outlet on Templehill

**E Williamson** asked for the assistance of the councillors on the following:

* the situation re cleaning of the Toilets at Church Street. Cllr Saxton stated that these were cleaned on a regular basis.
* The siting of the Burger Van at Wallacefield Road. Cllr Saxton confirmed that the van was licensed to sit there.
* The overgrowth of plants on the Roundabout at Irvine Road obscuring drivers' vision. Cllr Convery confirmed that the roundabout has not yet been signed off as satisfactory, and spoke of the construction of another roundabout at the top of Irvine Road.

**A Cameron a**sked for the assistance of the councillors on the following

* the unsatisfactory ramp at the Picnic Area at South Beach. Cllr Pollock will investigate a solution.
* The poor conditions at Troon Cemetery regarding grass cutting and lack of weeding
* Willow Lane lighting being obscured due to overhanging trees. Cllr Convery will investigate and report back

**E McNish** asked for the assistance of the councillors on the following:

* the identity of the owners of the lock-ups at Barassie Lane, and of their poor condition. Cllr Saxton spoke of the offers of nearby flat owners to purchase.

**R Milligan** asked for the assistance of the councillors on the following:

* the identification of actual time limits for solutions to various problems raised at each meeting.

**D Barr** asked for the assistance of the councillors on the following:

* the removal of the Ferry signs as Troon no longer has ferry services
* the situation where a golf ball was driven through an elderly lady's conservatory, and of the lack of success as to ascertaining blame, between the Golf Club Office and South Ayrshire Council, to recompense through insurance. Cllr Saxton will investigate and report back.
* Her gratitude at the repair of the step at South Beach
* the necessity for repair of thr gate at the Dog Run at South Beach
* the growth of the dangerous Giant Hog Weed at both South and North Beach. Cllr Convery will deal with this issue
* the cutting back of trees, causing complaints from pedestrians, still not having taken place
* vandalism at Hunter Crescent, involving damage to cars, and overturning food bins. Cllr Pollock stressed these events must be reported to Police Scotland.
* The broken Hydrant at Charles Drive needing attention. P Scully agreed to speak to Fire Service at his meeting with their representatives the following day.
* The thanks from Civic Awardee, Mrs Sheila Cameron

**H Duff** asked for the assistance of the councillors on the following:

* the upgrading of CCTV Cameras, citing further breakins over the past weekend. Cllr Pollock will pursue.

**K Workman** asked for the assistance of the councillors on the following:

* the poor quality repairs which have been carried out in Troon Primary School Playground

**ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

**D Graham** undertook to visit South Ayrshire Council representative re the North East Development map which appeared not to show the Right of Way from Collennan to Deveron Road and will report back to the next meeting,

**Helen Duff, Chairperson**

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