**TROON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF MEETING ON TUESDAY 7TH JUNE 2016**

**IN**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TROON**

**SEDERUNT:**

**TCC:**

H Duff, D Graham, D Barr, A Cameron, K Workman, E Williamson, D Cram, A Wainwright, S Dunning, E McNish, F Carson, R Milligan, B Phillips, A McIndoe, M Love

**SAC:**

Cllr N McFarlane, Cllr P Convery, Cllr P Saxton, P Scully (Link Officer)

**POLICE SCOTLAND:**

Sgt. L Booth

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

A Spurling, F Campbell (Dundonald Community Council)

M Connolly (Troon Resident)

C Morrison (Troon Resident)

**APOLOGIES**: J Thornhill, G Baird, L Matheson

**CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME**

H Duff opened the meeting by extending a welcome to all those present, making especial mention of Mr A Spurling and Mrs F Campbell, Dundonald Community Council.

**POLICE REPORT**

Sgt L Bell delivered a very comprehensive crime report with regard to the control of situations involving assaults, thefts, shoplifting,drug offences, car/traffic accidents, and vandalism at Fullarton Woods allotment. In addition she was able to confirm the popularity of the “Beach Buggy”, and of its intended assistance at the Glasgow Taxis Outing on Wednesday 15th June. Further mention was made of the following: Crime Prevention's booking of a stall at the Gala Fair; prosecution of litter offenders; the escalation of drug dealing within the town centre area; and her response to the lack of community police presence; an elderly couple being alarmed by a party disturbance in their neighbourhood. A request was made with regard to notification of those roads closed due to the imminent Open Golf Championships together with a delivery timetable for essential suppliers.

Mention was also made of the recent serious traffic delay on M77.

**OPEN FORUM**

**Mr M Connelly** spoke of the following:

* the situation at Gordon Brown's Memorial Garden
* the Bin Men's dispute, when he quoted an allegation of unfair treatment of serving operatives by superiors. All 3 SA Councillors present totally refuted this allegation.

**Mrs C Morrison** spoke of the following:

* the promenade requiring smartening up, alternatives for the Crazy Golf premises, and of seating in the stand at the Open being offered to Council workers.

**P Scully (Link Officer)** confirmed that the Crazy Golf Hut was out for tender, and that Council workers would be able to get early morning places at the Open.

**YOUTH FORUM**

None available

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes were approved by **D Barr,**  and seconded by **R Milligan**

**MATTERS ARISIING**

**Submission of Accounts** – **E Williamson** queried the submission of accounts for auditing, and requested this be placed on the Agenda for the July Meeting.

**Stalls for the Gala Fair**

**H Duff** confirmed that only 2 stalls remain for hire.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**L Matheson** had confirmed by e-mail that books were now with auditors, and that there was nothing else to report. **E McNish** spoke of her inability to pursue any fund raising avenues due to a lack of information from the Treasurer with regard to Troon Community Council's financial details. **H Duff** asked **D** **Graham** to attend to this matter at the July meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Incoming:**

Burns Lines Mtg – Stakeholder Meeting on 16th June

SP Energy Networks – Confirmation of £1700 donation

Greenlinks – Invitation to H Duff and D Barr to attend at Royal Troon Golf Club

Sustrand – Biodiversity project on National Cycle Network Route 7

**Outgoing:**

G Campbell, SP Energy Network – Cycle Path and Donation to Funds

SAC – Notices of Co-option

**OTHER REPORTS**

**Glasgow Taxis Outing on Wednesday 15th June**

**H Duff c**onfirmed that all arrangements were in hand for the Glasgow Taxis Outing, including closure from 7am to 3pm at North Shore Car Park (**L McNish** undertook to organise signage), provision of changing facilities at the Walker Halls, while requesting that the Caretaker be given a letter of thanks for his assistance in this provision.

**Dundonald Community Council**

**Mr A Spurling,** Chairman of Dundonald C. Council, spoke of the similarity of TCC's Agenda to that of DCC, and introduced **Mrs F Campbell,**  who spoke at length of the serious anomalies re tenancy and rental difficulties which have been created by the transfer of ownership between landlords, and of a determined campaign to obtain answers/solutions.  **A Cameron** confirmed similar discussions with the Authority several years ago, and agreed to liaise with Mrs Campbell at close of meeting.

**Cycle Path**

**R Milligan** stated that the Cycle Path from Craigend Road to Prestwick was still not complete

**Sustrand and Active Travel Club**

**S Dunning** confirmed that Sustrand would be erecting a signage board at the location. Suggestion was made that Sustrand and Active Travel Club could showcase at the Gala Fair, when electric bikes could be trialled by interested members of the public.

**SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

**Cllr Saxton** spoke of the following:

* his support for the industrial action by cleansing operatives, of the negotiation efforts being carried out by Council Officers, and his optimism that the dispute would shortly be resolved.
* The trimming back of overhanging greenery at Hunter Crescent

**Councillor McFarlane s**poke of the following:

* her belief that those involved in the current industrial action should be seeking a higher rate of pay
* private bin collections at car parks
* historic walks with a party of French visitors
* of the restitution/restoration of the wall at Frognall
* of reports of unsightly new building at Turnberry
* of an impending visit by children of Chernobyl, and of possible donations of appropriate clothing for them
* doors at Costa Coffee being suitably altered to allow appropriate access

**Councillor Convery** spoke of the following:

* the secret ballot to take place re the current bin dispute, and his praise and thanks to those workers manning the recycling centre
* of events at the forthcoming Summer Fun Days between 29 June and 2nd July
* of the upgrade at Troon Swimming Pool Gymnasium and state of the art equipment being installed
* of work in progress at the Golf Club, and the misuse of parking in the area
* of working with Dr Whitford re traffic management in core areas of Troon
* the Roundabout at Kilmarnock Road having now been signed off, and new bus shelters having been erected, two more roundabouts being planned for at top of Irvine Road, and a major excavation by Scottish Water to take place in Kilmarnock Road

**ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

**A Wainwright** spoke of her concerns at the traffic situation including parking, creating serious issues within the town

**K Workman** spoke of her concerns re the numerous private industrial bin collections at Costa Coffee and other retail outlets in the Academy Street Car Park, creating disturbance to neighbouring residents.

**R Milligan** spoke of his concern at reports of railway movement by residents of Campbell Avenue taking place at 2am, and of lights in use at Fullarton Drive. He was informed that these are security lights.

**E Williamson** asked Cllr Convery to give urgent consideration to the poor conditions re sand build-up, indistinct parking lineage and a large hole, at the South Beach Car Park.

**D Barr v**oiced her concerns at potholes in Lady Margaret Drive, and road closure caused by subsidence.

**F Carson** spoke of the following

* a meeting of H & S C Partnership to be held on 25th June in the Walker Halls when requests for consideration of funding for up to £750 are invited from any clubs/organisations. E McNish will attend on behalf of TCC.
* Muirhead Gala Day on 9th July to be attended by the current Gala Queen and Princess
* £200 raised by Muirhead Primary School
* of the continuing menace of seagulls in the Central Avenue area
* of stray or unattended dogs in sports area, and the necessity for signage

**H Duff** confirmed that Queen Nathalie Buesa and Princess Eilidh Baird, both Troon Primary School pupils, will be crowned at the Troon Gala Mini Fair on Saturday 23rd July.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at approx. 9.35pm

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Tuesday 5th July 2016**

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