**TROON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF MEETING ON TUESDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2016**

**HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**SEDERUNT**

**TCC:** Chairperson H Duff, Secy. M Love, Treasurer B Phillips, D Barr, E Williamson, A Cameron, S Dunning, E McNish, N Power, G Baird, F Carson, A McIndoe

**SAC**

Cllr N McFarlane, Cllr P Convery, Cllr P Saxton

**POLICE SCOTLAND**

Two representative officers

**MEDIA**

S Houston (Ayrshire Post); D Docherty (Troon Times)

**APOLOGIES**

D Graham, R Milligan, K Workman, A Wainwright, L Matheson, Link Officer P Scully

**CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME**

H Duff welcomed all those present and commenced proceedings by inviting input for the Open Forum.

**OPEN FORUM**

Mr M Connolly spoke again of the Gordon Brown Memorial Gardens, of his contact with F Ross, SAC on the matter, and of his satisfaction at the outcome.

**POLICE REPORT**

The attending officer delivered an uptodate report on the general situation obtaining in Troon over the past month, making especial mention of a very recent breakin at South Beach, confirming that enquiries are ongoing in this respect.

The Open – A Cameron spoke of poor management of roads/access at Barassie Street, during the Open, and of the difficulties experienced.

E Williamson asked re the condition of the child attacked at South Beach, and enquired if any progress had been made in locating the offending animal. No information was available.

**YOUTH FORUM**

N Power confirmed that grants had been awarded to the Pipe Band, Seagate Church and Marr Rugby Club.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Re damaged signage at Muirhead Co-op, the minutes should be amended to show that F Carson and E McNish spoke of the situation.

With this amendment, the minutes for September 6th were approved by B Phillips, and seconded by G Baird.

**MATTERS ARISING**

H Duff stated that communication had been received from SP Energy requesting an invoice be sent by mail, quoting their official reference. M Love confirmed that this had been completed, and that the invoice for £1700 would be posted forthwith.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

B Phillips confirmed that TCC funds were in a healthy position.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Outgoing**

* The Head Teacher Marr College – request for Pupil Representatives
* The CO, TA Volunteer Reserve Assoc. - Letter of Thanks
* The Crew of RNLI, Troon – Letter of Thanks
* Ms E Gibson, RNLI – Previous Correspondence

**Incoming**

**E-Mail:**

* Remembrance Day ( circulated to all members )
* L Matheson re Approval of Minutes, and timescale involved before publication.

*(* H Duff confirmed that minutes must be approved at the following month's meeting before publication on website and display in library.)

* Strengthening Our Communities Workshop (circulated to all members)
* R Milligan re WIP situation at Cycle Path; Test Arrangements in hand for Millennium Beacon
* SAC – Notice of Public Procession ( Remembrance Day - 13th November)
* Christmas Lights Switch On – Entry in SA Calendar 2017
* P Scully (Link Officer) – Apologies and confirmation of coverage of actions from previous meeting
* SP Energy Networks – Request for submission of Invoice for £1700

**By Surface Mail**

* South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership (Paperwork for Draft Participation & Eng. Strategy)

**OTHER REPORTS**

A Cameron reported on the following:

* The very successful Community Fun Day when turnout exceeded all expectations
* The Bus Users Group, and the problems relating to the No 14 bus, the monitoring of the situation by the Scottish Bus Users Group.

E McNish confirmed that a grant of £2460 has been awarded from Awards for All. H Duff suggested that a storage facility be considered to accommodate TCC property. P Saxton agreed to investigate the possibility of a container and location.

**SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

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

* Instability of wall at Crosbie Cemetery and possible support from Troon Community Council
* Bollards at West Cresc and grass cutting
* Lockups at Barassie Bank Lane
* Parking at Marr College Playing Fields
* Reinstatement of Football Posts at Wimpey Estate Play Park
* Church Street Toilets – Gated Entrance/Pay Door suggestion
* Cycle Lane at Holmston Road
* Dilapidation of Pavilion at North Shore Road
* Attendance at Strategic Planning Meeting of Locality Group

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

* Crosbie Cemetery and the history of the surrounding area
* Completion of Gym equipment installation and proposed opening
* Gordon Brown Garden repairs and replanting of flower beds
* Attendance at Marr Drive and Logan Drive, and grass cutting problems relating to Health and Safety regulations.
* The re-profiling of wards, involving Loans moving into Ward One

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

* Repair to signage at Muirhead shopping area
* Grass Cutting
* Gutter Cleaning Machine and its disturbance of seagull nests
* Danger to Road Sweeper during the hours of darkness
* All Weather Pitches at Marr available barring during the time of the Open
* Lighting in Town Centre

**Response to Councillors' Reports:**

Chairperson H Duff asked that only one South Ayrshire Councillor be responsible for pursuing any issue, in order to prevent duplication of effort.

E Williamson spoke again of the build up of sand at Ivy Cottage and South Beach areas; of the dangerous cycling practice on the prom; of the inaccessibility of the steps at the dunes. M Love was asked to write to the Chief Executive Officer re the clearing of the sand.

F Carson spoke of her concern re conditions of roads/pavements at Muirhead. D Barr spoke of large puddle in Charles Drive. M Love was asked to write to K Braidwood at Ayrshire Roads Alliance in order to determine when funding will be available for these repairs.

D Barr spoke of the following;

The protective netting on Lochgreen course at the rear of a house in Ottoline Drive; fly-posting (when she produced a variety of offending articles); the situation re the house for sale at Barassie. E McNish informed that the sale had fallen through.

A Cameron spoke of her difficulty in obtaining a replacement Grey Bin, of the necessity for larger bins. D Barr praised the service she had received in replacing a green bin.

**Grass cutting** – several members of the Community Council stated their concern at the grass cutting situation where grass cuttings were seen as both unsightly and dangerous to pedestrians. It was stressed that Health and Safety Regulations in force prevented clearing up the offending cuttings.

Lengthy discussion followed on the subject.

**ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

**Secret Santa** – After agreement by members, a donation of £50 was proposed by H Duff, and this was seconded by B Phillips.

**N Power** confirmed the following:

* a donation of £100 from the Round Table
* the Fireworks Display on November 5th
* the Santa Float on 3rd & 4th December
* the Santa Dash on 11th December

**Remembrance Day Arrangements** were discussed

**Wintertainment Arrangements** – it was confirmed that all are up to date for 20th November with mustering at 12.20 at Templehill.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Tuesday 1st November 2016**