**TROON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday 7th May 2019**

**Minutes**

**In Attendance**: Vice Chair – Chair H.Duff, Vice Chair D.Graham, Minutes Secretary S.McFarlane, N.Alexander, R.Milligan, I.Girvan, R.Baxter, K.Workman, A.Cameron, D.Barr, E.Williamson, L.Matheson

**Apologies**: J.Thornhill, B.Philips, W.Barr, N.Power, Cllr Mackay

**Marr College**: G.Docherty

**SAC**: Cllr Convery, Cllr Saxton,

**Police**: Sgt D.Barlas

**Public Forum:** D.Fergson, C.Cummings, S.Ward, J.Sillars, P.Clark, D.Gourlay, H.Clarke, R.Young, I.Wilson, S.McKernan

**Welcome from Chair**: Welome from D.Graham.

**Approval of Minutes:**

A number of small corrections were noted for last months minutes including exact wording for a discussion on sending letter to Head of Education or Head of SAC about Barassie Primary.

Pending these changes approved.

Proposed – R.Milligan Seconded – N.Alexander

**Matters Arising**

Letter to SAC Education

* Was lengthy discussion about sending a letter to the head of the Education at SAC about Barassie Primary. Meeting agreed not to send this letter currently.

Bark Droppings

* I.Girvan raised issues of bark droppings from vehicles to and from saw mill. Will write to ARA to ask them to look at it. A.Cameron raised concerns about increase of large vehicles going through town. D.Graham will go to port authorities.

Bins Templehill.

* I.Girvan raised the issue of bins at the Cross/Templehill. Cllr Saxton advised an agreement has been made to move them outside William Hill. H.Duff said that she felt it was not acceptable and wants to see them moved.
* K.Workman asked why the can’t look at a bit of land behind Wiliam Hill. Cllr Saxton advised its private land. K.Workman thought shop owners might want to help out and agree to allow them to use it. Cllr Saxton thought it be difficult as bins are domestic waste and would need agreement of many businesses.
* D.Barr raised concerns about waste being located near a doctor surgery.

SAC Domestic Recyling

* A.Cameron raised concerns about the red tags being used and the confusion people are having with what can and can’t be recycled. She requested a bulletin from SAC and she was shocked. People are trying but they are making it difficult and people will end up just putting it in Green bin.
* TCC will invite K.Gilrimple to attend a meeting.

**Youth Forum**: As seniors were on exam leave two junior captains gave the report.

* Have P7 welcome evening in June for parents and students.
* Duke of Edinburgh awards taking place throughout May.
* Two students won prizes at the South Ayrshire Protective Art Exhibit.
* An S2 enterprise won £2000 for the school. Cllr Saxton asked how they will spend the money? They said its up to the business department.

G.Docherty – Head Teacher

* 36 students left on morning of meeting for Duke of Edinburgh awards in Galloway forest. Further 79 student throughout month.

D.Graham asked if he was happy how school was going at the moment?

G.Docherty: Yes positive work going on with community. We are addressing litter concerns in Muirhead.

R.Miligan: how is the preparation going for Grease?

G.Docherty – very well and should be a great night.

**Police Report:**

* Some escalation of youth disturbances at night.
* Looking at worrying trend at Boulevard. Windows broken, climbing on roof.
* Been some grass fires on golf course.
* Over last two months a number of seizures of drugs and money at properties in the area.
* Disturbances at Lonsdale.
* Over 50 calls from people requiring help.
* Currently targeting roads where concerns have been raised over safety.
* A number of thefts of bikes in last month. Advising public to be vigilant with sheds and out houses.
* A number of shop thefts.

N.Alexander – raised the issue of speeding at Devron Road.

D.Barlas – Have carried out a number of checks. No one been caught. D.Barlas to bring previous report next month.

**Open Forum:**

J.Sillars – Adams Court

Fight for Fitness

He was looking for support for his campaign for fight for fitness which is to help get a defibrillator at Barassie Spar.

H.Duff: Was supportive but did point out a number of locations defibrillators were already installed in Troon including all doctor surgeries, Morrisons, leisure centre and several other.

Barassie Car Park

J.Sillars: Also mentioned car park at Barassie train station and bins but plans to come back next month to discuss.

D.Graham: believes money from developers already given to SAC.

P.Convery: believes it took two months for Biffa to come get the bins.

S.Ward

Car Parking Charges

S.Ward – raised concerns about the charges and the location of her property at the edge of one of the free car parks at Library in Troon. Worried about increase in volume using car park an d increase in pollution as a result.

H.Duff – explained she is now against charges due to a decision to close Burns House and relocate staff to Troon and they will now have to pay to come to work.

P.Convery – is unhappy Maybole and Girvan got an exemption to charges.

D.Barr – spoke in support of the charges and doesn’t think £2 for a day is a lot to pay to park to come into Trron.

Cllr Saxton – the Library was not part of the planned car parks that will charge.

I.Girvan – felt it was short sighted to support car parking charges.

Cllr Saxton – pointed out the majority verdict of those completing the consultation on savings were supportive of car parking charges rather than see services lost or cut back.

D.Ferguson

Car Park at Troon Station

D.Ferguson – spoke of the nightmare situation in her opinion at Troon railway station car park and surrounding streets of cars parked on pavements and causing obstructions.

I.Wilson – Civic Award Winner 2019

Odd Object Competion

I.Wilson – praised the competition and he spoke to many families who loved it. Could it be worth doing one for the over 60s?

G.Mulveny – will give thought to the idea. Might be able to run alongside the current one.

P.Clark – Links Crescent

Biffa Bins at Barassie Railway Bridge

P.Clark - raised concerns that Biffa bins are permanently located under the bridge and not just brought out for collection. Asked why they had to be brought out in the first place?

P.Convery – will chase up with council

S.McFarlane – bins need to be located for collection under bridge as collection vehicles are too large to get under it.

**Treasurers Report**

W.Barr not in attendance.

No change in financial situation from last report.

**Correspondents**

Secretary no in attendance but all correspondents had been sent to TCC Councillors.

**SAC Councillors Reports:**

Cllr Convery

* Brought to the attention of the meeting an issue with rabbits infesting the Troon Links Golf Course. A process of culling will need to take place.

Cllr Saxton

* Harbour Bar beer garden to go ahead.
* Raised the issue of Fullarton Woods toilets being locked for egg hunt event. Advising people to contact SAC if have event at woods.
* Chief Executive E.Howitt said a public meeting to discuss Muirhead Activity Centre could happen but no one from SAC could attend. She felt it was inappropriate.
* Mentioned that Struthers are going to use developer for a small 7-a-side pitch as that is what they have opted for.

A.Cameron – expressed her anger and that of the residents of Muirhead that it had taken E.Howitt five months to tell us there will be no public meeting. She is disgusted by the way it has all been handled.

H.Duff – raised her concerns that letter to TCC that are being sent to Troon Council Building are not being given to her or she is not being told they are there by Housing Manager at building.

Cllr Saxton – will speak to the staff.

E.Williamson – raised the chances of Zebra crossing outside Troon Council building.

H.Duff – Crossing will be put in place with island. It has been passed and approved.

E.Williamson - raised concerns about nothing being done in relation to puddle outside WHSmith. What was happening with drain cleaning.

H.Duff – Cllr Mackay was dealing with it, raise with him next month.

**Other Reports:**

L.Matheson - Troon Together

* Had two meetings.
* Looking to get views of as many residents of Troon as possible on what they see for future of Troon.
* Looking for volunteers.

D.Graham – Bentinick Crescent

* TCC objection put in. Plan to knock down house and build flats.

R.Milligan – Smugglers Bar

* Going to be as Spanish tapas bar. No planning application required as no changes to infrastructure that requires it.

R.Milligan – Banners

Asked for approval of banners – that was given.

Scotia Boat Exhibit –

Donation of £122 proposed by H.Duff and seconded by D.Barr. No objections.

No other business – meeting was closed by H.Duff

Next Meeting; Tuesday April 2nd 2019 – This will be the AGM.