**TROON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday 3rd Dec 2019**

**Minutes**

**In Attendance**: Chair H.Duff, Vice Chair D.Graham, B Philips R.Milligan, I.Girvan, A.Cameron, E.Williamson, F Carson, Ann Marie (external funding officer) Maxine Togneri, George Mulvery , W Barr

**Apologies**: J.Thornhill, D.Barr, N.Power, N Alexander, D Barr, L Matheson, Cllr Saxton, K Workman .

**Marr College**: Calum Inglis & Logan Cotter

**SAC**: Cllr Convery, Cllr Pollock, Cllr MacKay, P Scully

**Police**: Sgt D.Barlas

**Public Forum:** I.Wilson, T McVenna, D Carson

**Welcome from Chair**: H Duff welcomed everyone to the meeting

**Ann-Marie Steele-SAC external funding-**

Discussed options for funding for the Taxi day such as National Lottery. TCC to appoint a subcommittee to liaise with Ann Marie. I Girvan asked if Troon Together were going to apply for funding as he though was agreed. M Togneri informed the meeting that the Development trust will be looking at funding, but need to wait till the final report is finished, which should be in the next few weeks.

**Marr College report-**

Rugby team got to the semi-final of the cup, the Hockey team is also doing well.

Children in need has raised £900 by a number of different events.

Marr are running a Mental Health drop in’s, which are popular. The group have been put forward for a Youth Forum award. Marr are busy organising the Christmas dance and concert and are currently running a food bank.

D Graham asked if pupils at Marr had expressed any concern with the path from Marr to Muirhead. The pupils are not aware of any issues but will bring it back to the Head Teacher. Cllr Pollock informed the meeting that ARA and the Places budget are both investigating if they have any budget to improve the lighting on the path.

**Open Forum**

Tommy McAvenna- informed the meeting that the last few weeks there has been broken bottles around Marr College after the weekend. Stg Barlas – explained that the Police have been giving the College extra attention and there have been a number of people charged in relation to the incidents.

David Carson- spoke about the Troon Together survey – and asked if we have just moved the problems, E Williamson stressed her concern at the lack of resources for young people in Troon, and thinks there should be more things for them to do. Cllr Pollock explained that there are a number of planned activities, E Williamson suggested that young people do not want planned activities they want things like youth cafes etc. R Milligan spoke about the article in Troon going out in relation to Troon Together and suggested that they should work with the local council.

**Approval of minutes**,

Proposed by Maxine Togneri and seconded by Robert Milligan

**Police Report**

Stg Barlas- disorder at Marr College, Donald Road, Ayr St, Academy St, Train station, there was an incident with a knife, a male has been arrested and appeared in court. 2 hate crimes both racial, one directed at Police Officer. 2 reports of assaults in public spaces, vandalism report to vehicles and Walker Hall. No house break ins and doorstep crime. Police are giving extra attention to Marr and have been busy with the different town light switch ons.

Helen read a letter from a local resident Jonathan Bickerton about concerns of traffic issues at Monktonhill road and asked if they could be some calming measures put in place. The issue has been already raised with ARA, but wanted the Police to be aware. Stg Barlas was made aware of this concern through ARA, and the area gets attention as it’s a busy road with vulnerable road user. He will highlight it with the Road Management Department in Police Scotland. Police Scotland routinely do speed checks and to date has never had to pull people over for excessive speed on this stretch of road. Cllr Pollock confirmed that ARA have also done speed checks and had no reason for speeding concerns to date.

F Carson- asked about the vandalism at Muirhead, and has anyone be charged. As far as Sgt Barlas is aware not to his knowledge but they are patrolling the area while checking Marr. F Carson expressed her concern that the path really needs to be lit up from Marr to Muirhead.

Cllr MacKay – thanked the Police for their work in relation to traffic at Struthers primary.

**Matters Arising**

Dougie & Robert have spoken to Glennon Brothers they agreed to clean the road every week. Furthermore the Port Authorities stated they already clean it once a week. South Ayrshire stated the sweeper cleans it once a month, they will monitor the road and will consider doing it twice a month.

M Togneri- thanked TCC for getting the lights at the car park sorted.

I Girvan – asked if a letter has been sent to Stewart Milne homes, H Duff was not sure as J Thornhill was not present.

H Duff – thanked Cllrs that attended the memories service.

**Treasurers Report**

Latest balance of £5442.68 so accounts are in a healthy state. Wintertainment made a small profit and was a wonderful event.

**Correspondence:**

Helen has already read the letter regarding Monktonhill road.

**SAC Councillors report**

Cllr Pollock

There is an engagement event for the new Struthers school/Muga on Wednesday the 11th Dec from 3-7pm, Cllr Pollock encouraged everyone to attend if possible.

Cllr McKay

Art & Crafts fair is under threat, Cllr McKay is working between the Council and the Art & Crafts to find a solution.

Muirhead activity centre has been referred back to the full council committee.

Pedestrian link in Devron Road is still ongoing.

Cllr McKay is still looking into the pedestrian crossing on Devron Road/Kilmarnock Road.

Cllrs Convey-

Invited TCC to attend the council meeting on the 18th Dec at 10am.

Temphill Car park- 2 hour parking

Cllr Convey – encouraged TCC to look into the plans for the new Quarry at Hillhouse, as it will affect Troon. D Graham will contact planning for details.

A Cameron- asked how many spaces is the parking eventually going to take up. Cllr Convey is not sure, it’s all part of the public consultation that is going to the regulator panel in the New Year.

E Williamson – Informed the meeting there is no centre line on Portland Street. Cllr Pollock informed the meeting it has been reported. Erica also highlighted the issues with car parking on the double yellow lines.

I Girvan- asked why Brassie toilets have taken so long to open, H Duff informed that Cllr Saxton was dealing with this and he is not here.

W Barr- asked about what is happening with the calming traffic system on Loans Main Street. Cllr Pollock informed the meeting that Loan CC are currently looking into it.

**AOCB**

George Mulveny gave a brief report of the history of Wintertainment. It’s been running for 19 years. Wintertainment came about to encourage late night shopping which struggled. So they decided to focus more on a family event. 2019 was a really successful year. George was sad to see some negative comments regarding the turning on the lights time. H Duff thanked George for his hard work and explained some of the reasons why the time of the light switch on is 4ish each year and going forward it will continue to be 4ish.

D Graham informed TCC that there is a new 2km bridle path trail in Fullarton woods,

He also discussed the progress of the planned new cycle route to Loans to Harlow Drive Troon.

Helen informed TCC that R Milligan is going to Irvine CC meeting on the 4th Dec, to see how other people run their meetings and will feedback.

Helen closed the meeting and wished everyone a happy Christmas and New Year.

Next meeting is Tue the 7th Jan at 7pm2019,

Troon Community Councillors are meeting at 6:30pm to discuss civic award applications.