

Cumbernauld Village Community Council Minutes 12th June 2014

Present

Philip Morgan-Klein, Brenda Morgan-Klein, Nancy McEwan, Gillian Connolly, Elizabeth Snedden, Adam Irvine, Norman Egan, Tom Johnston

Apologies

Jim MacLean, Ann McLeish

Police Report

Police Officers reported some crime statistics but these were not fully broken down. Car breaking and one assault were mentioned as well as reports of children missing. There was some discussion of how police patrol the area.

Matters Arising

It was noted again that the fence around the land at the rear of the Black Bull may be obstructing a right of way. Elizabeth offered to have a look at this. It is still unclear what NLC will do about the fence. Noted that the planning proposals from the Black Bull are still pending.

Treasurer's Report

Bank £1294.46

Cash £35.80

Total £1330.26

Secretary's Report

A written report was tabled. The response to the Town centre consultation arising out of previous discussion was tabled and noted. The coming boundary changes were discussed and it was noted that this would mean changes to councillor numbers with North Lanarkshire gaining councillors. However Cumbernauld is unlikely to gain any since the allocation is done on the basis of levels of deprivation. Brenda pointed out that across the whole of Scotland there would be a net loss of councillors. It was agreed to respond to the consultation by noting that VCC regrets the net loss in councillor numbers. Brenda presented a briefing document on the bus connector service, obtained from Gregg McClymonts Office following queries at recent meetings.

CVAC Report

16 allotments have been allocated

6 fruit trees have been planted and Philip has been on an orchard management course. The plan is to plant more trees and another application for more trees will be made.

A Field in Trust plaque will be erected later in the summer and there will be a dedication of the stone on the 30th August. Nancy is inviting councillors and others. More details later. Nancy is applying to NLC for a grant to cover the cost of the meeting hut on the lanriggs. Philip noted that the wildflower planting on the lanriggs is looking particularly good and urged people to have a walk round to see them.

AOB

There was a short discussion of the possibility of gathering old photographs of the village and archiving them online. Elizabeth said she could talk to Christine Johnstone about their family's collection

Date of next meeting

14th August 7.30pm

Secretary's Report June 2014

	Item	Content	Action
	Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland, letter & press release	5 th Review of local government electoral arrangements, public consultation on proposals for councillor numbers. Consultation before recommendations to Ministers. Commission's methodology has allocated numbers based on population but also on levels of deprivation. North Lanarkshire to increase the number of councillors by 7. Overall, Scotland loses 7 councillors when all the changes are added up. Rural areas lose out.	Discuss, deadline for comments August 21 st .
	Briefing on Connector Bus Service from Head of Planning and Regeneration via Gregg McClymont's Office	Aim of specific project to widen access to employment in strategic investment sites. (Business Parks that are difficult to access without a car) Funding bid was led by Strathclyde Passenger Transport and some private money. 6 new buses paid for.	Note/Discuss?
	Town Centre Consultation response (attached with papers).		Note