

## **Cumbernauld Village Community Council Minutes 13<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

### **Present**

Philip Morgan-Klein, Norman Egan, Adam Irvine, Ann Mcleish, Margaret Hunter, Douglas Dorans, Jasmine Dorans, Elizabeth Snedden, Nancy McEwan, Gillian Connolly, Cllr Tom Johnston, D McManus (Police Scotland) plus unnamed colleague.

### **Apologies**

Brenda Morgan-Klein, Wilma Shepherd, Jim MacLean, Pat Churches, Paula McCrae, Alan Russell

### **Police Report**

In the previous month, there were 57 calls in total. Not all of these were criminal issues: only 25 related to police calls and a number were duplicate calls ref the same incident. There were 4 crime reports generated and all four were detected, and 6 missing persons reports. The crimes included 1 vandalism; 2 breach of the peace; and 1 assault. Police Officers were asked if they could enforce the 7 ton weight limit along The Wynd. Police replied this would be for the traffic department. Police will monitor the situation and issue a warning if necessary. If it continues they will refer it to traffic. They will also check that regulations are official and enforceable; the public can report the registration number of any vehicle witnessed breaking the rule.

### **Minutes and Matters Arising**

Minor spelling errors were noted in some names at last meeting. Philip reported that Jack Wilson – former VCC Treasurer had laid the community council wreath on Remembrance Sunday for which it was agreed to send a thank you card. Philip also noted that if the Community Council objects to a planning application then the objection is undermined if we do not send someone to speak to the objection at the committee meeting. Cllr Johnston said he would ask for a site visit ref the latest Wynd planning application, which will delay decision until the next meeting. Cllr Johnston also pointed out that planning permission for the building did not guarantee permission for planned use of the building if this required a license. The VCC can co-opt someone to attend if a VCC Councillor is not available. The latest total income from the CVAC Family Fun Night is £371.76.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Bank £1,265.26

Cash £19.11

Total £1284.37

Still no NLC Grant, but matter is in hand.

### **Secretary's Report**

A written report was provided by the Secretary. It was agreed that the community council has no objection to item 1, but VCC would object to planning proposal number 2: 14/02135/FUL43 at Main St, Village on the grounds that public/council owned land had been fenced off and that to allow this would set an unacceptable precedent that could not be allowed to pass. Cllr Johnston noted ref the land in that area that Fields in Trust would be happy to add adjacent areas to existing F.I.T

areas. Item 9, no interest was expressed. Item 10, requires update from Pat Churches ref petition. Once petition is complete we can write to NLC to request change of priority for the additional Village streets, showing a map of the roads and roundabouts available to assist the change requested.

### **Communications**

A list of potential CVAC events for 2015 was issued. Ann Mcleish noted that for these events to come off we would need volunteers to assist, otherwise they could not go ahead. A CVAC Winter Newsletter has been drafted for issue soon.

### **CVAC Report**

The remaining half of the funding for the communal Allotment Hut/Cabin from a community grant from North Lanarkshire Council. Philip confirmed that neither planning permission nor a building warrant are required, but we do need Landlord Consent to erect the cabin. Philip has applied for this and we await the approval from NLC Property Services. Next year we may apply for funding for a power supply and solar panels. The cabin will increase insurance costs for the allotments by an additional £85 once it is erected. Philip also reported we have obtained a further grant from the Central Scotland Green Network to plant 9 additional apple trees and a Victoria Plum tree, bringing a total of 15 fruit trees to the Langriggs Community Orchard.

### **Campaigns**

On the issue of the litter bins for residential areas, Ann reported she had received a letter from Cllr McKenna, NLC Environmental Convenor that only one litter bin would be provided for Kirkwall, due to reduced budgets and resources rather than the 6 bins that Graham Hall NLC had said were required. It would be useful to object to this officially as VCC.

### **AOB**

Liz asked if Philip had been informed of NLC's sale notice on the primary school. Philip confirmed that following the decision of Cumbernauld Community Development Trust to withdraw from the school project, Adam Smith had formally notified NLC, and that Will Peat from NLC had mentioned the plan to try to sell the property as it is, but if this didn't result in a sale within an acceptable timeframe, then it may be necessary to try to sell it without the school building. Philip noted that in view of the central location of this deteriorating building that we couldn't live with this indefinitely

### **Date of next meeting**

Thursday December 11<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Village Hall