

Cambuskenneth Community Council
Minutes of Meeting held Monday 15th April 2019
Cambuskenneth Village Hall

Present: George Thynne (Secretary), Barbara McElhinney (Treasurer), Tessa Carroll (Vice Chair), Linda Jones, Andy Davis (Stirling Council), Cllr Jim Thomson.

Apologies: Ross McGregor (Chair), Rosie Gillespie (Minute Taker).

George Thynne chaired the meeting and Tessa Carroll took the minutes.

Adoption of previous minutes (25th March 2019): Proposed by Barbara and seconded by Linda.

Omission from 25 March 2019 minutes: Minutes of meeting held on 25 February 2019 were approved.

Matters Arising (not covered below):

- Ailsa McLeod was welcomed and formally **co-opted onto the CC**.
- **Bridge signage clutter:** The planned site visit with Cllrs Thomson and Gibson, two SC officers, George Thynne and a resident took place on 4 April. It was agreed to reinstate the 'Share with care' signs plus the relevant statutory sign showing pedestrian & cyclist as per the Highway Code. On the Riverside side) it was decided to remove some of the old and out-of-date signs and the dog bin close to the end of the bridge and move the existing general waste bin to near where the dog waste bin was.
- **Stirling Marathon road closures:** George will contact Keir Stevenson of SC for more detail on road closures. The following info was provided after the meeting: **Alloa Road/Airthrey Road** (from Manor Powis Roundabout to the University entrance) is planned for closure from 0500 – 1530. However, access out all day to Causewayhead Road from Cambuskenneth has been factored into the traffic management plan, as it was last year after discussion with Cambuskenneth CC.
- **On the Verge/Cambuskenneth Play Park:** The wildflower seeds were sown in the new area (extending the previous one) in the park on 10 April. Thanks to Leigh Biagi of On the Verge.

Riverside Naturally: Diane Alderdice introduced Riverside Naturally, a new community group recently established in Riverside to develop the open spaces in environmentally friendly ways. Ideas include planting a wildlife hedge and helping people make their gardens more wildlife-friendly. Membership is open to anyone who lives, works or has an interest in Riverside, and the group is keen to work with Cambuskenneth. The group is in the process of becoming a charity and is developing a website. There are several sub-groups working on:

- Orchards – planning for future developments
- Mapping – land, biodiversity, citizen science
- Access
- Trees
- School liaison

Upcoming events, all at Riverside Community Orchard:

- Sunday 26 May, afternoon: launch of the group
- Saturday 27 July – One Planet picnic– locally produced food etc.
- Saturday 28 September – Orchard Day

For more info, contact riversidenaturally@zoho.com

Kerr's Yard site/Waterside Cottage:

- George had emailed Taylor Wimpey. They replied they were waiting for confirmation of timescales for reinstatement of the fencing by TW and for demolition of the garage by subcontractors, and that their invasive weeds contractor was continuing to treat the hogweed in the area.
- Cllr Thomson said he would write again to TW requesting an urgent resolution of the issues raised.

Hall and Park:

There is still no clarity on the long-term future of the hall and park. CC members stressed again the vital role the hall and park play for the CC and community, and raised again the high charges for hiring the hall, particularly at weekends, and the difficulties that various groups have had in obtaining a bill from SC to pay for the use of the hall. Cllr Thomson asked for discussion of the community's willingness to make a contribution, as noted in the minutes of the September 2018 CC meeting. He will ask SC Assets for up-to-date info on the costs of running the hall.

Councillors' Report:

- **Priority-based budgeting:** process has now finished
- **'You Decide' Initiative** generated 700 ideas. These will be looked at by citizen volunteers, who will work with SC officers to develop selected ideas into proposals for public voting in late May/early June. See www.stirling.gov.uk/youdecide for the ideas and more information.

Treasurer's Report: Annual accounts for 2018/19 have been passed to Alan Loughray for auditing.

Hanging baskets: George will contact last year's volunteers to ask if they are able to assist again with watering and looking after the hanging baskets. More volunteers are needed; please contact George (447679) if you're able to help.

Book Sale: Village Hall book sale will take place on Sat 27th of April 2-4pm. If you wish to donate books please bring to hall earlier in the day so books can be categorised by genre. All proceeds will go towards CC funds. Please also let CC know if you cannot drop them off so we can collect them for you.

Secretary's Report: Everything already covered above.

Fundraising/Future events: Possible dates in October for a quiz night will be discussed.

AOB

- Minute taker: Thanks to Rosie Gillespie, who is stepping down as Minute Taker. A new minute taker will start in May.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 20th May, 7.30pm in Village Hall

PLEASE NOTE: This meeting will be the AGM

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