

Cambuskenneth Community Council
Meeting held on Monday 24 October 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Tessa Carroll (Chair), Barbara McElhinney (Treasurer), Elaine Turner, John McCallum

In attendance: Helen Barrett (CNEG), Councillor Susan McGill

Apologies: Ross McGregor, Linda Jones (Secretary)

Minutes were taken by Elaine Turner and Tessa Carroll.

Items for AOCB

Minute taker

Adoption of Previous Minutes

Minutes of 27 June 2022:

Addition to **Pergola** item:

We discussed a suggestion to contact Beechgrove Garden (who designed and constructed the pergola with residents), but when Helen explained more about the original process, it became clear that we would probably have little or no control over what they might do if they were involved, and that wasn't what we wanted. Therefore it was agreed not to contact Beechgrove.

With these corrections made, adoption as a true record:

Proposed: **Barbara**

Seconded: **John**

Minutes of 26 September 2022: Carried forward to next meeting for approval by members who attended the meeting.

Role bearers

Chair – Tessa continuing as interim Chair until the next quorate meeting that Ross attends and takes over again.

Secretary – Elaine continuing as interim Secretary until the next quorate meeting that Linda attends and takes over again.

Matters Arising

Ladysneuk Rd pavement – thanks to the SC roads teams who, during one of the hottest spells of the year, sprayed and resurfaced the stretch of pavement badly affected by horsetails. We hope the new surface will last well.

Sheds at Village Hall – John will buy and fit a new padlock for the CC shed.

Increase in Hall Charges/Booking procedure – no update

Welcome Leaflet – no update

Hall and Park Funds – discussion held over until next meeting as quotes have still to be obtained.

Pergola – Elaine said her husband would probably be willing to take down the pergola, which is unstable. Helen asked if the CC would cover the cost (approx. £60) of a gardener digging out the overgrown shrubs and trees to make space for replanting with pollinator-friendly perennials from

the grant obtained by the CNEG (see below) and the CC approved this. **Elaine and Helen** to liaise on this work.

Waterside Cottage – no update

Cycling Route/Manor Powis/Speed Limit – no update. Cllr McGill will email Network Rail and ask at SC about progress on the planned speed limit reduction from 40 to 30mph along the Craigmill section of the Alloa Rd.

Hanging baskets – have now been taken down for the winter. Thanks to all involved in watering and looking after the baskets and equipment.

Sub-group reports

Cambuskenneth Nature and Environment Group (CNEG) – **Helen** gave a summary of the group's meeting on 22 August and had also sent her notes from that meeting to the CC in advance.

With money from a Stirling Council Community Pride grant, six new tubs have been placed round the village and two large planters built and placed in the park; thanks to Martin Parry, John McCallum and Alan Sneddon for all their work on these. The tubs and planters are being planted up with pollinator-friendly perennials and bulbs.

Helen had a very useful meeting with Ricoh, who have agreed to work with the group to improve their land for wildlife. Ross will arrange for a colleague to survey the area. Helen has also contacted Cowane's Trust asking to meet to discuss what the group could do on CT land around the village.

The group hopes to have a session making bird boxes.

Helen asked if it would be possible for the group to have a section on the CC website to tell people what the group is doing and give tips on helping wildlife etc. To be discussed.

Social Group Report – Elaine is sending the calendar for printing; should be available mid-November. Quiz Night to be held on Friday 28 October.

Sustrans Art – Riverside CC is applying for a large grant from Sustrans for Active Travel; if that is successful, we may then be able to apply for funding linked to that.

Defibrillator – Elaine will provide a signup form at the Quiz Night to assess interest for a training session in the Hall, possibly in January 2023, and look for a suitable person to provide this training.

Resilience

First meeting held on 5 October, second meeting planned for 10 November. Nick Telford and Margaret Ruddy are Co-chairs. Agreed to do 'talent' scout of community (i.e. update of Covid database, who is willing, what talents do people have, who potentially may need support during a crisis). SC plans to provide community grit bins and it was agreed to request one at footbridge and two other possible locations.

Report from Councillors – **Cllr Susan McGill** gave a brief update: Stirling is a minority Labour council and priorities still have to be set at a special council meeting in November. SC is setting up warm hubs for the winter. Clackmannanshire & Stirling Health & Social Care Partnership is holding open meetings at various locations

Treasurer's Report – Balance of around £5,000, including funds ringfenced for Hall & Park and remaining SC grant for CNEG.

Police Report – no report received.

AOB

Minute taker – Many thanks to Anne Marie Oates, who is stepping down as minute taker. We are therefore looking for a new minute taker; anyone who is interested, please contact the CC.

Community Council Membership – A reminder that we are looking for a new member to replace John, who will be standing down.

Date of next meeting: Monday 28th November 2022 at 7.30pm in the village hall

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