Lochgilphead Community Council

Minutes 12 March 2018

1. Attending – Andy Buntin, Betty Rhodick (minutes), Sarah Watson, Donald Mochrie, Ian Liddell, Brian McLennan, Amanda Brown, Cllr Donnie MacMillan, Sgt Martin Balkean, Police Scotland, and Fiona Kalache, MAYDS
2. Apologies – Norma MacLennan, Helen Rhodick, Charles Edmonds, Robert Millar and Cllr Dougie Philand.
3. Police Report - 81 calls - all routine business, 7 Crime Reports - again routine matters. Sheep worrying in Inveraray is an ongoing investigation, Trial of stabbing incident at Whitgates Court due to begin at end of March, Parking on pavements continued observations being made.
4. MAYDS presentation Fiona explained that the former builders yard next to the MAYDS building, the building itself and the land down to the rear of The Argyll Hotel has been successfully purchased with grants from the Scottish land Fund. Plans have been drawn up for a Skate Park/RollerPark + a roller Disco and improvements in the hall and external areas will be under cover. Further Funding will be required to demolish and rebuild to the plans which will be submitted shortly to the Council. This project will not only enhance the play areas for older children but also create jobs.
5. February minutes – Proposed as correct by Amanda Duffy and seconded by Andy Buntin and agreed.
6. Matters arising- a) Music Festival delighted with donation from the LCC.

 b) Micro Grant Forms will be circulated to all.

 c) Positioning of refuse bins in Lochnell Street being looked at.

 d) The probationary Police Officers earmarked for the area have passed out at Tulliallan Police College.

1. Treasurers Report - £2051.80p. Treasurer reminded that accounts need to be audited for the AGM.
2. a) Celtic Festival – Brian had very little update except confirmation of attendees, Brian to apply for grants

b) Lochgilphead Coat of Arms - After being unsuccessful, with the community benefit fund of Argyll & Bute Council, the LCC to revisit funding for same. The Lochgilphead Coat of Arms Christmas light feature has been removed from gable end of building in Colchester Square.

 9. Establishment of Community Council – Elections- these will be held in April although nominations close on 22nd of March. The posters for this have been circulated by Andy who encouraged people to be nominated. If more than 16 people show interest an election will take place. The LCC has had good publicity re the good works carried out.

 10. Andy urged that if anyone had issues in the community to please bring them to meetings so that they in turn can be passed to Community Planning Group.

 11. Correspondence – An application for a micro grant has been received from the Lochgilphead Angling Club, after strong discussion, the members were asked to think about this and bring their views to April meeting.

12. Argyll & Bute Council update – Seminars re council duties and division of funds are ongoing, more budget for the roads. Andy commented that the council did well in their budget debates. There is a Governance review on the 26th of April, Andy and Betty will attend.

13. AOCB – a) The Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day will be on Saturday 16th June

 b) Still a lot of concern re dog fouling in the area, people need to be kept aware and ask squeak to do small article!

 c) Pheonix Planned project at the “Corran” Tender and Plans awarded to a firm from Cardiff are due next week.

14. Date of next meeting – Monday 9th April at 7pm in the Community Centre

Agenda for 9th April

1.  Welcome/Sederunt

2.  Police Report

3.  Minutes from March meeting

4. Matters Arising( not on Agenda)

5. Treasurers Report

6.  Micro Grant (Fishing Club)

7.  Celtic Festival

8.  Community Council, what next?

9.  A&B update

10. AOCB

11. DONM