



Dullatur Community Council - Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: 11 June 2018
Location: Dullatur Village Hall

Attendees:
Community Councilors: Alan Davidson
Margaret Kennedy
Lindsey Leitch
Vivien Mitchell
Margaret Smillie
John Wright
David Young

Apologies: Marilyn Sweet
Tony Ross

Supporting Groups: Cllr Alan Masterton

Members of Public: See Attachment

Agenda:

1. Welcome and Approval of EGM Minutes

Chair, Alan Davidson, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. He reminded everyone (public and committee) that following the conduct of some individuals towards the end of the last meeting it is important to approach all matters in a respectful and positive manner. The meeting agenda was circulated to all. Minutes from the previous meeting had been previously circulated to all committee members and were duly approved with the following amendments requested by Alan Davidson:

- Minor change to the rates and frequency of the gardener : £35 for 2 hours every 3 weeks

2. Planning Matters

In Marilyn Sweet's absence Alan Davidson gave an update on the application for 12 houses to be built on the area adjacent to North Muirhead Farm. The application was rejected and an appeal by Walker Homes has been submitted. A site visit will

be conducted. Marilyn has already lodged an objection on behalf of DCC and also on her own behalf.

3. Police Report

- Committee circulated the most recent police report.
- Of concern to local residents has been the excessive noise coming from Dullatur House (rented through Airbnb). Seamus Fitzsimmons (owner of the property) attended the meeting and reassured those present that he would be taking the following measures to reduce disruption to the community:
 - Impose a curfew of 9pm after which occupants should remain inside
 - Boom boxes to be removed
 - Bluetooth speakers to be removed from the hot tub

The Police on 101 or the NLC anti-social behaviour team can be contacted on 0300 123 1382 in the case of future disturbance.

4. Other NLC matters

Cllr Masterton gave an update on some items raised at the last meeting:

- Pumping Station at Abbots Court - Cllr Masterton indicated Stewart Milne were finalizing the handover, however, Abbots Court was built by Dickie homes. Cllr Masterton to confirm with Scottish Water that the correct pumping station is being addressed.
- Antonine Path issues - Cllr Masterton discussing with Stewart Milne
- Hall Rates - Cllr Masterton confirmed the hall remains exempt from rates.
- Japanese Knotweed - Margaret Smillie has contacted Scottish Power to ensure that the area around the substation will be treated this year. Area should be sprayed and treated annually.

5. Financial Report

Margaret Kennedy has completed the accounts and passed to the auditors.

Balance in main account = £457.07 (£517.28 recently paid to insurers)

Balance in maintenance account = £1,575.25

Alan Davidson sought approval from the committee for any items costing less than £50 to be reimbursed without the need for pre approval from the committee before purchases are made. This would cover items such as toilet rolls, paper towels etc for the hall. Committee approved. Margaret Kennedy will update the committee at each subsequent meeting if this facility is utilised.

As the chequebooks would be passed to the auditors the Treasurer requested that three blank cheques from each of the accounts be passed to the Chairperson for safekeeping in case any cheques were needed before the audit had been completed.

6. Village Matters

Barking Dogs - The committee discussed the recent disturbance from dogs barking between 11.30pm and 1pm. Police are aware.

Planters - Margaret Smillie sought approval from the purchase of some compost and plants to spruce up the planters. Approval was given for a £60 spend.

Hall Cleaning - Emma raised the issue of when a cleaner might be available to clean the hall. She has been cleaning the hall for the past 8 months. John Wright raised the issue that the Toddlers Groups are typically the only users of the hall and whether their rates can support a cleaner.

Hall Speaker System - Emma also requested that the ability to play music in the hall would be helpful

ACTIONS: Margaret Smillie to discuss with cleaner if she might return from Aug 2018

Committee to discuss offline the current hall rental rates.

John Wright to investigate the cost of a Bluetooth speaker.

SPT buses - DCC complained to SPT regarding the cancellation of the local services to Monklands Hospital. SPT have agreed to continue to subsidise for an interim period and so buses will remain operational.

Noticeboard - Margaret Smillie to discuss with John Colquhoun re-siting and providing a new noticeboard.

Social Events -Village BBQ has been postponed until the BBQ is fixed.

DCC Communication - Website is almost ready to go live. Expected by 15 June 2018. First leaflet will be prepared and distributed by end of June. Subsequent leaflets will be distributed quarterly.

ACTION: John Wright to transfer the Facebook admin rights to Tony Ross.

7. AOB

None

Meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 10 September 2018, Dullatur Village Hall, 8.00pm

Members of Public in Attendance:

Bill Smillie

Jack Houston

Claire Ross

Joey Maclean-Houston

Seamus Fitzsimmons

Margaret Young

Emma MacDonald

Gillian Rose

Gerard Burns