

Avonbridge & Standburn Community Council
Monthly General Meeting
Held on Thursday 9th April 2015 at 7pm
Avonbridge Community Hall

Meeting chaired by Jo Hirst

1. Present

Jo Hirst, Ann Wallace, James Anthony, PC Wallace, Cllr Hughes and 6 local residents.

2. Apologies

Doreen Goldie, John McLuckie, Iain McGillivray, Harry Broadley.

3. Local Police Update

Since the last community council meeting there have been 11 calls made to the police from the village of Avonbridge. Those calls consist of the following.

1 x abandoned 999 call (child on line) 1 x intruder alarm (false call) 3 x driving offences (erratic driving, speeding and driving under the influence - negative) 1 x child concern (malicious call by neighbour) 2 x animals (dogs worrying horses) 2 x juvenile assault (both minor, 1 occurred in Hallglen)

In relation to the village of Standburn there have been no calls made to police.

Antisocial behaviour

There has been no reported anti-social behaviour in either Avonbridge or Standburn.

Vandalism

There have been no reported crimes of vandalism from Avonbridge or Standburn.

Acquisitive Crime

There has been no crime file or calls relating to this.

Speeding/Road Traffic

There have been two calls regarding road traffic matters. First call relates to drink driving and second, manner of driving. Both of these were negative breath tests and advice given to drivers regarding their manner of driving.

No crime files were raised.

Violence / Disorder

There has been one crimefile raised in relation to assault in Avonbridge,

This relates to a minor assault involving juvenile's.

There have been no crimefiles raised for the village of Standburn.

A new Chief Superintendent is shortly to be appointed in Falkirk and PC Wallace confirmed we are now in East Division.

Any issues relating to the above or for the police contact

Derek Wallace (515) [Derek.Wallace@scotland.pnn.police.uk]

4. Approval of Minutes 12th March 2015

Proposed JA Seconded JH

5. Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting

Standburn Playpark – signage request ongoing

Planning Consent – ongoing

6. Chair's Report

Correspondence

1. Craigend Brickworks update from Planning Dept on the use of buildings for Lambing.

Good morning Jo,

I've been informed by Andrew McCaig that the sheep will be removed to field by the 15th April.

Regards

John Milne

2. Refuse uplift and calendar collections.

Dear Jo,

Thank you for your email about the calendars and collections in and around the Avonbridge/Candie area.

I have issued reminders to the crew for the black boxes that are being missed and will get calendars out to your neighbours next week.

The missed black boxes will be collected next week, they are due on Friday 27th March so if they are not collected before then, they will be done on Friday.

I apologise that there have been missed collections here again and have as I said issued another reminder to the crews.

The brown bin collections for the rural properties will be on the same day as your blue bin from 1st week in March so there would have been a brown bin collection due today, if your brown bin has been missed and you would like it emptied please let me know and I will issue a line for this.

Thank you again for getting in touch regarding the calendars and missed collections, if you would like to discuss the matter please do not hesitate to contact me on 01324 590428.

Frances Chambers

Waste Minimisation Adviser

Meetings held since 12th March 2015

17th March - Meeting with SEPA in Stirling regarding the national review of sewage sludge spreading especially relating to the Falkirk area.

19th March - Ineos Upstream Ltd – Community Engagement Programme

Presentation by Ineos Company that now holds the licences for the exploration and extraction of shale gas in this area.

20th March – Meeting with Rhona Geisler Director of Development Services at Falkirk Council with Margaret Mitchell MSP in respect of the planning position and environmental health response to the spreading of sewage sludge in the area.

Nuisance caused, effects on public health and impact on local school children and pollution control.

Awaiting her response.

27th March – Avonbridge on site meeting with Eric MacQuarrie Asset manager from Scottish Water in relation to all outstanding issues.

Report received with action proposed.

Core Paths in ASCC area - as yet we have been unable to secure a further meeting with Angus Duncan this is a matter in progress.

7. Treasurers Report

Current Bank Balance = £ 512.23 – awaiting outstanding venue invoices.

8. Muiravonside Park update

Carry over awaiting report

9. AOCB

- **B825** residents requested ASCC chase up the resurfacing question of the rest of the road from Bowhouse R/A to Standburn and from Avonbridge to Dummies Road. Also kerbs are starting to collapse on section already resurfaced.
- **Broadband** Sean Marley from Community Broadband Scotland is willing to attend CC meeting to discuss provision in the area JA to arrange.
- **Avonbridge Riverbank** excessive litter dumped – Cllr Hughes agreed to enquire as to ownership with a view find have this removed.
- **Boxtton Road traffic** – it was reported by residents the traffic on Boxtton Road is increasing and becoming a problem. Requested the police take an interest.

Next Meeting Date

Thursday 14th May 2015 in Drumbowie Primary School at 7pm.