

**Avonbridge & Standburn Community Council**  
**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 7.15pm**  
**Drumbowie School Standburn**

**1. Present**

G. Addison, A. Frerichs, E. Chappell, H. Kidd, D. Goldie and 1 member of the public.

**Apologies**

J. Hirst, N. Cochrane, D. Cameron, E Lipski, M. Lourie & M Lourie.

**2. Police Report**

Since the last report (09/05/2018) there have been 50 calls made to police relating to the village of Avonbridge. Those consist of the following call types:

Police Information	Suspicious persons	Neighbour Disputes	Disturbances
External Agency requests	Assist Member of Public	Damage report (accidental damage – no crime)	
Child Protection	Road Traffic Matters	Domestic Incidents	Silent/Abandoned 999s
Missing Persons	Youth Disorder	Police Generated Activity	
Suspicious Device on ATM (False call/good intent)		Fires	Dangerous Dog
Attempted Fraud (Elderly Victim – Cold Call from ‘Fraud Squad’, no money gleaned)		Anti-Social Behaviour/Off-road Bikes	

12 crimes have been recorded in Avonbridge since the date of the last report in relation to  
Domestic Assaults x3    Purchase of Alcohol for a child & sexual assault    Breach of Bail (Domestic)  
Threatening & Abusive Behaviour (Domestic)    Threatening & Abusive Behaviour (non-domestic)  
Breach of Bail (Domestic) & Police Assault    Intended Theft within curtilage of building without authority  
Road Traffic Offences (No insurance/MOT & Disqualified Driving – vehicles seized)  
Wildlife Crime (Shooting of a Canadian goose)

For the village of Standburn there have been 8 calls made to police in relation to  
Neighbour Dispute    Suspicious Persons  
Disturbance/Weapon/Assist Member of Public/Family Issues (6x calls to same add)

There is one recorded crime for an assault with a knife (non-injury) & threatening/abusive behaviour (familial incident which occurred within private dwelling) in that time within Standburn.

**ROAD SAFETY**

As a result of pro-active patrols in the area a male was stopped driving for not wearing a seatbelt however it transpired that the van had no Tax, no MOT and no insurance in force so it was also seized. In another incident following a report of suspicious persons at a vehicle officers stopped a disqualified driver after a short pursuit due to the vehicle making off towards Westfield on seeing police. He was also charged with careless driving, driving without insurance and an offence under the Children & Young Persons (Scotland) Act due his manner of driving whilst having a 3yr old child in the vehicle at the time. The vehicle was also seized.

Please email any feedback/issues to [UpperBraesCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:UpperBraesCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk)

**3. Community Safety Team Report**

The Community Safety Team Report was read out by the Convenor, there was nothing of great interest to report in our area.

**4. Approval of Minutes from meeting held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

Proposed by EC    Seconded by AF

**5. Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting**

- The issue regarding Muiravonside Country Park as discussed and the fact that the barrier installation has taken some time.
- Also discussed was the odour emanating from EWOS nr Westfield and DG agreed that she would look in to that further and have a meeting with them.

**6. Chair's report & Correspondence**

The chair's report in correspondence was delivered by Mr Addison. This was discussed and there was no action required.

It was agreed to invite the Head of Braes High School Mr Livingston to the October meeting. The licensing consultation paper would be sent to Ed Chappell to put on our website for consideration.

## **7. Treasurers Report**

### **Current Bank Balances:**

ASCC Account:	£1,045.00
Burnhead Moss Wind Farm Fund:	£8,047.82

### **Micro grant applications submitted this month –**

- Avonbridge Gardening Club - £150 Works to Community Garden opp Stevenson's Yard – Approved
- Avonbridge OAP Lunch Club – 2 x £150 to cover summer expenditure – Approved

Thereafter GA congratulated the Treasurer for keeping our books in good order.

## **8. Planning IT and Online Update/Report**

### **Planning**

Mr Chappell addressed us regarding the planning applications over the summer there were five in process but none of which we had to oppose or object to.

He would change all of the links in relation to the new personnel for the committee.

### **Information Technology:**

With regard to the Website and online update EC could confirm that the signs of progress in relation to superfast broadband are in evidence and it is hoped that we will have superfast broadband in the area by December 2018 as we appear to be the only part of Central Scotland without it.

### **Facebook Page update: -**

None available this month

## **9. Burnhead Moss Community Fund – Power Point presentation**

It was agreed that Dave Cameron would be invited to present a power point presentation charting the background to the Burnhead Moss Community fund at the October meeting.

## **10. A.O.C.B**

- Confirmation of the funding over the summer means we can now make plans to install our Christmas trees and purchase lights. An enquiry will be made by the Treasurer regarding storage of the lights at Drumbowie primary school.
- Application has been made by a local group to refurbish and paint the outside of the Community Hall which we support whole heartedly and have invited them to make an application for a micro grant to assist.
- A new Notice Board will be purchased and installed at the Community Hall once the refurbishment has been completed which can be used by the community café i.e. one half and the community council for the other half in the hope that it means people are more able to read what is going on and the community café might be able to use it for menus etc.
- There was some discussion regarding the sewage sludge in the area and that has been referred to Doreen and Jo.
- We discussed an application by James Stead regarding Frog Life which is a project to help conserve our unique heritage regarding pond life in the area and he has been referred to the Drumbowie Environmental Action Group.

## **11. Date of Next meeting**

The next meeting will take place at Avonbridge Community Hall on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7.15 pm.