

Banknock, Haggs & Longcroft Community Council
Minutes of Meeting Thursday 28 February 2019 – Banknock Community Centre

Present: S McArthur; D Henderson; M Henderson; L T Murphy; A Tierney; Cllr J Blackwood; Cllr F Collie

1.0 Apologies

- 1.1 Cllr P Garner; Cllr N Harris; G Cowen
- 1.2 The Chair reported the passing of Claud Wilson and paid tribute to his work for the local community and his long service to BHLCC.

2.0 Police Report

- 2.1 Police not in attendance Chairperson spoke on Police Report.
- 2.2 Vandalism – 1 new case of vandalism currently under investigation. Other Offences - 3 Road Traffic Offences; and 1 Domestic Assault detected; and breach of non-harassment order under investigation.
- 2.3 Parking – Parking offences now mainly responsibility of Falkirk Council and parking attendants now deal with on street waiting, loading and parking. Cllr Blackwood provided information from Falkirk Council Roads Section and requests for parking enforcement action should now go to parking@falkirk.gov.uk or telephone 506070. The Falkirk Council website contains good information.
- 2.4 Community Safety Team report tabled covering 01/01/19 – 31/01/19 – issues in Banknock, Haggs, and Longcroft; 9 Dog Fouling & Control of Dogs; 12 Litter & Fly Tipping. and 3 Anti-Social Behaviour.

3.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting 31/01/2019

- 3.1 Noted and Agreed.

4.0 Matters Arising

- 4.1 See AOCB
- 4.2 Cllr Blackwood had contacted owners of Hollandbush Pub and tabled letter advising full demolition would be undertaken within 4 weeks.

5.0 Secretary's Report

- 5.1 Planning applications; -None
- 5.2 Cancer Patient Support – email from Meadowbank Car4U tabled advising of activities they, and Driving Force, undertake in Polmont/Redding; Denny and Dunipace respectively – in transporting cancer patients and encouraging roll-out of similar schemes to other areas. Agreed to seek more information from D Callaghan.
- 5.3 Garden Party Nominations – noted.
- 5.4 Fireworks Consultation – noted. anyone wishing to respond can access on Scottish Government website.
- 5.5 Changing Places – Scottish Government also consulting on provision of adult changing/toilet facilities within larger non-domestic developments.
- 5.6 Allotments etc – “grow your own food” initiative. Falkirk Council consulting on policy from 11/12/19 – 13/5/19. See Falkirk Council website.
- 5.7 Agree to contact Planning and request info re Cannerton site including re wildlife etc and developer contributions.

6.0 Treasurers Report

- 6.1 Treasurer reported balance of £3,930.32

7.0 Banknock Community Hall - Update

- 7.1 Noted/confirmed management of Banknock Hall being presently undertaken directly by Falkirk Council
- 7.2 Re Asset Transfer – noted that the “Application for Leasing a Property at less than Market Value” was submitted to Falkirk Council by BHLCC on 26/7/2017. The new

partially completed (14 page) "ASSET TRANSFER REQUEST FORM" was tabled/agreed including a plan of the land around/ adjoining the hall and which will be requested for transfer.

- 7.3 An updated Banknock Hall Management Committee Constitution was tabled/circulated and considered suitable re SCIO/OSCR matters.
- 7.4 A response from T. Whally to points raised at January meeting provided information on a) water costs/bills; b) current level of Caretaker Costs – totalling only 4 to 5 hours per week; and c) the probable monies Falkirk Council will pass to a new Management Committee.
- 7.5 The draft budget was reconsidered and it was agreed that a) the expenditure figure for keyholder wages should be much higher than the current spend/figures provided by Falkirk Council; that an achievable figure should be included for income re "1 off" lets; and b) approaches should be made to very large companies coming in to the BHLCC area for "seed" revenue contributions to get hall up and running.
- 7.6 Agreed to contact Falkirk Council re S75 provisions relating to major local planning consents.
- 7.7 Agreed to meet/Broompark re possible hall issues of common interest.
- 7.8 Agree to liaise with Tom Whally to progress matters in general.

8.0 AOCB/Local Issues

- 8.1 Cllr Collie informed Committee that a new Organisational Support / Neighbourhood Development had been formed from April 2019 – agreed to look into details once Management Committee was in place for the hall.
- 8.2 Members of the public complained about dog fouling – Councillors agreed to contact Falkirk Council.
- 8.3 Complaints received re speeding of cars within the village in particular Glenview Avenue – details to be passed to Police.
- 8.4 Map of Development at Cannerton Site shows the public footpath as a Bike Trail – agreed to contact Brent Vivian at Falkirk Council and Ironside Farrar.
- 8.5 Complaint re youths gathering at Coneypark and causing disruption – agreed to contact police.
- 8.6 Complaint re state of Denny Cemetery – Councillors agreed to contact Falkirk Council.
- 8.7 Cllr Blackwood received request from a member of the public to save the Grave Stone within the Development Site at Cannerton – Councillor B to contact I & H. Brown.

9.0 Next Meeting

- 10.1 Next meeting Thursday 28 March 2019 at 7pm in Banknock Community Centre.