

## POLMONT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### (Draft) MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: **7.30pm Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2018** at Greenpark Centre

PRESENT: R. Taylor (RT), M. Stuart (MS), R. James (RJ), C. Johnstone (CJ), E. Hutton (EHT), C. McKellar (CM), A. Curr (AC), D. Van Welie (DVW), I. McLean (IM). Cllr M. Nicol (MN)

APOLOGIES: Cllr A. Nimmo, K & E Hearn

Item	Discussion / Decision	Action
1.	<b><u>Minutes of Last Meeting</u></b>	
2.	Minutes of last meeting 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2018 were accepted – Proposed by EHT & Seconded by AC	<b>ALL</b>
3.	<b><u>Matters Arising</u></b>	
4.	<b><u>Salmon Inn Bus-stop</u></b>	
5.	Bus stop relocated at Salmon Inn junction – this is now permanent – concern was raised previously about safe pavement access to this. It appears after further discussion that a pavement does exist for access to same, even though it is quite narrow.	<b>ALL</b>
6.	<b><u>Concerned Communities Against Fracking</u></b>	
7.	Maria Montinaro has addressed the Scottish Government.	<b>ALL</b>
8.	<b><u>Old Vet Surgery on Station Road</u></b>	
9.	Planning Permission has been granted for conversion from Office to Flatted Dwelling.	<b>ALL</b>
10.	<b><u>Replacement Footbridge at Erskine Hill</u></b>	
11.	New footbridge has been completed although several minor items require attention i.e. paint defects, footpath surface – contractor should rectify & finish w/c 27/8/18	<b>ALL</b>
12.	<b><u>Oakbank Site</u></b>	
13.	MN advised that grass cutting within this site was at his request to keep this site clear & not overgrown due to it's location in centre of Polmont.	
14.	MN understands that funding for keeping this site clear comes from the Social Work Budget & they are responsible for keeping tidy.	<b>ALL</b>
15.	<b><u>Police Report:</u></b>	
16.	No Police Report was issued/available although this will no doubt be issued in due course for anyone to view.	<b>ALL</b>

17.	<b><u>Community Safety:</u></b>	
18.	No Report Issued/available	<b>ALL</b>
19.	<b><u>Councillor Report:</u></b>	
20.	CJ complimented Falkirk Council & their grass cutting regime this year –	
21.	MN advised that there has been a change in the contractor carrying out this work.	
22.	MN advised that Falkirk Council discussed LDP2 (27/8/18) & the Gilston Development, which was rejected today & site will remain available under current use i.e. business development etc & NOT available for Housing – this was carried 16 votes to 13	
23.	MN advised that new Chief Executive is now in place – Mr Kenneth Lawrie – formerly of Midlothian Council – MN advised that he appears to be settling in & getting on with the job.	
24.	New Council offices were discussed at Council Meeting – several brownfield sites are available including the current municipal building site – discussions are ongoing.	<b>ALL</b>
25.	<b><u>Correspondence:</u></b>	
26.	None	<b>ALL</b>
27.	<b><u>AOCB :</u></b>	
28.	IM advised that the Rotary Flower bed at Marchmont Avenue will as some point be grassed over.	
29.	IM also expressed his disappointment at the lack of Rotary/Polmont Funded flower beds at the station – IM understands that the station staff/network rail maintain the current beds, however he feels that further privately funded/supported landscaping could be carried out – other community councils are involved at other stations e.g. Linlithgow	
30.	CJ raised an issue he had recently near Polmont Station where a youth was chasing 2 young women with a lighter & aerosol – these individuals were around 13 years of age.	
31.	RT advised that her daughter would like traffic lights on the Lathallan Roundabout – the meeting quickly discussed this & didn't think this would be viable/required.	
32.	RT & IM discussed Armistice Parade – Invoice for “Sound Man” – PCC will fund sound for this event.	
33.	MN discussed names on cenotaph & discussion took place about names that should be on this & which may be on others (duplicates)	
34.	MN & CC discussed up & coming Armistice & would like to be involved in making it more special on it's 100 <sup>th</sup> year.	
35.	IM raised the possibility of a pamphlet indicating other heroes of this event, Captain Fitzmorris is well recognised, however there are numerous other people who deserve recognition.	
36.	MN suggested that IM try Callendar House Trust for more information.	
37.	CM advised that Neil Griffiths was very poorly – CC would like to pass on their concerns/good wishes.	<b>ALL</b>

38.	<b><u>DONM:</u></b>	
39.	24 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 @ 7.30pm – Greenpark Centre, Polmont	<b>ALL</b>
40.	Meeting closed at 8.40pm	<b>ALL</b>