

Shieldhill and California Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held at 7.30pm on Thursday, 27th June 2019

At the Shieldhill Community Wing

Present

J. Singh M. Monrtinaro P. Irvine C. Anderson
G. Merrett M. Merrett M. Calder
(14 Residents signed in)

Apologies

M. Higgins I. Fotheringham PC G. Mackie PC D. Wallace

Housekeeping

At 7.30pm J. Singh convened the meeting and carried out housekeeping notices.

Previous Minutes – 30th May 2019

Proposed: M. Merrett
Seconded: M. Montinaro

Police Report

There was no police attendance as our local policemen had been pulled away for an ongoing matter.

Safety Team

Report for Period 1st June to 30th June 2019

Dog fouling and control of dogs	15
Litter and Fly Tipping	10
Youth related disorder	15
Other	3

Fly Tipping – anyone finding any fly tipped material should resist the urge to go through it as this generally renders any possible evidence as un-usable. M. Lourie reported people fly tipping on Slamannan Road. J. Singh will get in touch with FC and The Safety Team and pass on to M. Lourie.

Treasurer Report

Savings Account Balance @ 1/5/2019 £531.57

Defibrillator remaining funds	£	26.38
FC Computer Equipment Grant	£	500.00
Interest	£	5.19

Balance at 1/5/2019 £ 531.57

Note £10,000 re Wind Turbine Funds has been transferred to Shieldhill & California Future Generations (SCFG)

Current Account Balance @ 23/5/2019 £3240.11

Includes £387 Falkirk Council Admin. Grant 2019/20 received 30/4/2019
£2000 legal fees re LDP submission - invoice still outstanding .

Schools Report

An email was received from Iain Livingstone at the Braes High School inviting the SCCC to be part of a group of school partners to be involved in a trial run before any formal inspection of the school. This would take place on Tuesday, 17th September 2019. J. Singh asked if any member of the SCCC would like to be involved to let him know.

Matters Arising

Trees Overhanging at end of Princes Street, California

A discussion followed regarding the overhanging trees.
J. Singh will find out more information.

Flooding in Princes Street, California

A discussion followed regarding flooding in Princes Street.
M. Montinaro had a response from Scottish Water re flooding and sewage problems. They are historical problems and there are leaflets available regarding what can and cannot be flushed down toilets. Scottish Water will be sending out these leaflets to residents who are affected. SEPA and The Environmental Team were scheduled to attend this meeting however this was postponed.

Strangs Place, California – Unkempt Ground

J. Singh will progress. M. Montinaro has suggested this would be a good place for a war memorial. There could be a path and a garden. Falkirk Council think the area is acceptable as it is. G. Paterson will try and find out who owns it.

Village Matters

War Memorial California

J. Singh has gone through previous Minutes of SCCC meetings and there is no mention of funding for a war memorial in California. G. Paterson said she would contact P. Reid to see if there is any funding we can tap into.

Defibrillators

There is still one defibrillator which is to be located in California Primary School. J. Singh has been in touch with B. Pirie who is going to progress.

Braes Green Space Update

Landowners approached to enter into negotiations re sale of Belmont Avenue and Hillcrest open spaces on behalf of the Community. A meeting at the end of July has been arranged by Angus MacDonald MSP with Drumalbyn Properties, landowner for Belmont Avenue site. A replacement Chair for BGS group is needed and request made to floor.

Bus Service

G. Merrett attended a meeting.
10% of Falkirk Council Budget is used for the Bus Service and it is not fit for purpose.

Proposed California Community Garden

C. Anderson raised the issue of a Community Garden in California and that fliers are needed for people to understand what is being proposed. This was first proposed in February 2019 and has not taken off yet. G. Anderson mentioned vehicle entry and a discussion followed. M. Montinaro suggested leaving it until after the Summer recess.

C. Anderson also mentioned that there is a Travellers Site in Church Road without permission. C. Anderson will email J. Singh the details.

Church Updates

There is a new locum Minister. Mr. Jim Paxton is on a 2 months probation from 16th June 2019 covering Shieldhill, California and Muiravonside. A visit took place by P2 children and Mr. Paxton was very good with them. The monthly meetings will start again in September 2019.

Planning, Licensing and Consultations

J. Singh read out the Planning Applications as follows:

Planning Summary - 2nd to 16th June 2019

Applications

Application No	: P/19/0211/FUL	Earliest Date of Decision	26 April 2019
Application Type	: Planning Permission	Hierarchy Level	Major
Proposal	: Section 42 Application for the Removal of Condition 7 of Planning Permission P/08/0086/FUL which Restricted the Operation of the Development to the Processing, Recycling and Treatment of Inert Construction Materials Only		
Location	: Craigend Works Falkirk FK1 2HY		
Community Council	: Maddiston		
Ward	: 09 - Upper Braes		
Applicant	: Anglo Scottish Biosolids Limited		
Agent	Euan Pearson PO Box 28606 Edinburgh EH4 9BQ		
Case Officer	: David Paterson (Tel. 01324 504757) e-mail : david.paterson@falkirk.gov.uk		
Grid Reference	: 293089 675654 View the application details		

No further information on above since last meeting

Decisions

Application No	: P/19/0120/75M
Application Type	: Modification of Planning Obligation
Proposal	: Modification of Planning Obligation under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 attached to Planning Permission P/16/0525/FUL to remove the requirement to pay a financial contribution towards capacity related investment at St Mungo's RC High School, and to adjust phased payments as provided for in the Planning Obligation as follows: In the definition of "Payment 2" in Clause 1.21 delete the figure "£180,460" and it replace with the figure "£153,460", in the definition of "Payment 3" in Clause 1.22 delete the figure "£180,460" and it replace with the figure "£153,460" and delete Clause 3.3.1(d).
Location	: Land To The East Of Parkhall South Lodge, Maddiston, Falkirk,
Applicant	: Persimmon Homes Limited, Persimmon House, Fulford, York, YO19 4FE
Decision	: Approve Modification of the Obligation

Decision Issued : 30 May 2019
[View the application details](#)

Application No : P/19/0166/PPP
Application Type : Planning Permission in Principle
Proposal : Erection of Dwellinghouse
Location : Land To The East Of 96 Main Street, Main Street, Shieldhill,
Applicant : Mr Scott Sneddon, 10 Logie Drive, Larbert, FK5 4EA,
Decision : Grant Planning Permission in Principle
Decision Issued : 31 May 2019
[View the application details](#)

The above application was granted planning permission in principle on 31st May 2019. Consideration of detailed design and layout affecting the matters raised by SCCC would be part of any future application for approval of reserved matters or detailed applications. Any prospective applicant would require to demonstrate that the property would be a good fit with the surrounding streetscape and would protect residential amenity levels by meeting minimum standards of provision in respect of privacy.

Application No : P/19/0073/FUL **Earliest Date of Decision** 20 June 2019
Application Type : Planning Permission **Hierarchy Level** Local
Proposal : Erection of Timber Frame Structure for Temporary Living Accommodation for Equestrian Centre Staff
Location : Blue Ridge Equestrian Centre Falkirk FK1 3AT
Community Council : Falkirk South
Ward : 09 - Upper Braes
Applicant : Mr Alasdair Beaton
Agent

Case Officer : Kevin Brown (Tel. 01324 504701)
e-mail : kevin.brown@falkirk.gov.uk
Grid Reference : 288438 676293
[View the application details](#)

This above application has come about following an enforcement query that Falkirk Council received. The application is seeking retrospective permission for the construction of a timber kit, chalet type structure which is located adjacent to the eastern boundary of the main car-park/yard area for the equestrian centre. The structure is proposed to be connected to amenities as far as I can currently understand. The structure is proposed to act as accommodation for the equestrian centre staff. In terms of the temporary nature of the proposals, the applicant has not specified a time period that they wish the building to be located on the site. If no information is forthcoming in this regard then it would be for the planning authority to determine the time period of any permissions granted on the site.

Proposal Application Notices (PAN's)

Application No : P/19/0125/PPP **Earliest Date of Decision** 4 April 2019
Application Type : Planning Permission in Principle **Hierarchy Level** Major
Proposal : Development of Land for Residential Use with Associated Open Space, Site
Development Works and Landscaping
Location : Middlerig Farm Reddingmuirhead Falkirk FK2 0DZ
Community Council : Reddingmuirhead and Wallacestone
Ward : 08 - Lower Braes
Applicant : Taylor Wimpey UK Limited
Agent : Derek Scott Planning
21 Lansdowne Crescent Edinburgh EH12 5EH
Case Officer : Brent Vivian (Tel. 01324 504935)
e-mail : brent.vivian@falkirk.gov.uk
Grid Reference : 291284 677506
[View the application details](#)

Above application is still awaiting a decision. New traffic assessment entered 24/6/2019

Pre-application No. : PRE/2018/0007/PAN
Application Type : Proposal of Application Notice
Proposal : Erection of Agricultural Workers Dwellinghouse Erection of Agricultural
Workers Dwellinghouse
Location : Land To The East Of Craigmad Farm Falkirk
Community Council : Shieldhill and California
Ward : 09 - Upper Braes
Prospective Applicant : Pearson Planning
Agent
Case Officer : John Milne (Tel. 01324 504815)
e-mail : john.milne@falkirk.gov.uk
Grid Reference : 291167 675429
Earliest Date of Submission of Major Application 23 August 2018

Additional Consultations

As per previous minutes, John Milne has been requested to keep SCCC updated on this application and it has been noted that the agent does not wish to enter into any dialogue regarding this application.

Requests for Local Review.

The Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006 brought in new powers which changed the way in which planning applications are handled. Planning applications for local developments, which are determined under a new statutory scheme of delegation, no longer have a right of appeal to Scottish Ministers. Instead, the applicant will be able to ask for a review of a refusal or a condition or the fact that the application has not been determined within the prescribed period. This section lists Requests for Review which have been validly made and have not yet been determined.

There are no outstanding Local Reviews.

Other

FALKIRK COUNCIL

THE FALKIRK COUNCIL (ON-STREET PARKING SPACES FOR DISABLED PERSONS) (REVOCATION NO. 659) ORDER 20__

- The effect of this Order will be to remove the designated sections of road described in the Schedule hereto as a parking space for disabled persons vehicles.

SCHEDULE

	Location of Parking Space for Disabled Persons Vehicles to be Removed
Main Street, Shieldhill	On the northerly side of Main Street from the projected easterly boundary of 52 Main Street in a westerly direction for a distance of 7 metres or thereby.

The disabled persons' parking places are no longer used by a person in receipt of a Blue Badge or does not meet the requirements contained in The Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009.



Shieldhill and California Future Generation (SCFG) - Wind Turbine Committee

Currently awaiting more information from Braes Green Space on their application in order to progress.

Any Other Competent Business

Four Projects – Falkirk Community Trust

Heritage Network

Our Stories

Celebrating our Heritage

Careers in a Modern Producer Economy

C. Anderson said that Tesco has a sign up regarding helping Communities.

M. Montinaro will progress

There will be a Midsummer Nights Festival over the weekend of 28th June 2019.

J. Singh handed out leaflets.

It was suggested that as Avonbridge run their own Community Hall they could give Tom and Margaret Greig some ideas for the California Community Hall, e.g. a trip to Blackpool, under 18s free lunch.

M. Montinaro advised that free bedding plants from Falkirk Council have been planted at the Shieldhill War Memorial and at the two primary schools.

Unconventional Oil and Gas

Delegation representing 24 Community Councils attended meeting with Scottish Government on 24th June 2019 to put forward concerns on behalf of Scottish communities and to request a ban on onshore UOG development in Scotland to protect our communities.

G. Paterson asked about the Councillors who are currently under investigation and suspended from their parties – but not from Falkirk Council. Councillor Hughes said they are suspended from quasi committees and cannot attend these meetings. They are still Councillors and are expected to do their duties in the Community. G. Paterson asked how long this would drag on and was told it could take years.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm. The next meeting will be held on 29th August in the California Community Hub starting at 7.30pm.

Future SCCC Meeting Dates

26th September 2019

Shieldhill (TBC)

31st October 2019

California (TBC)

28th November 2019

Shieldhill (TBC)