

# Alva Community Council (ACC)

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## Minutes of Meeting

Monday 12 December 2016, 7.30pm

Venue: Alva Baptist Church

<b>Lynn Cameron – Chairperson</b> Convener – Joint Community Council Forum Convener – EDF Burnfoot Hill Community Fund Sub Group – Events Sub Group – CAPLan	<b>LC</b>	<b>Robbie Russell – Vice Chairperson</b> Convener – Planning & Licencing Sub Group – Events Sub Group – CAPLan	<b>RR</b>
<b>Secretary – Linda Greig</b> Convener – Environment Convener – EDF Micro Grants Sub Group – Licensing & Planning Sub Group – Events	<b>LG</b>	<b>Anne Spruce – Treasurer</b> Sub Group – Events Sub Group – CAPLan	<b>AS</b>
<b>Sandra Rees – Minute Secretary</b> Community Action Plan (CAPLan) Chairperson Sub Group – Licensing & Planning Sub Group – Events	<b>SR</b>	<b>Louise Young</b> Convener- Health inc Alva Health Centre Patient Group Sub Group – Events	<b>LY</b>
<b>Philip Ward</b> Convener – IT / Website	<b>PW</b>	<b>Iain Craig</b> Sub Group – Events Sub Group – CAPLan	<b>ICr</b>
<b>Gemma Waghorn</b> Convener – Education Sub Group – Events	<b>GW</b>	<b>Graham Burt</b> Sub Group – Events Sub Group – IT/Website	<b>GB</b>
<b>Mary Dalrymple</b> Convener – Data Protection Sub Group – Events Sub Group – IT/Website	<b>MD</b>	<b>Kirsty Ryles</b> Sub Group – Licensing & Planning Sub Group – Events	<b>KS</b>
<b>Community Councillors in attendance</b> – Lynn, Robbie, Anne, Sandra, Louise, Iain, Gemma & Kirsty. <b>Minutes</b> – Sandra			

### In Attendance:

Members of Public (MOP) x 10

Elected Councillors – Cllr Balsillie

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Minutes of Item Discussed</b>	<b>Action By</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Lynn welcomed those in attendance to the meeting.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies from Linda, Phil, Graham & Mary	
<b>3</b>	<b>Declaration of conflict of interest.</b> None	
<b>4</b>	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b> proposed by Lynn & seconded by Iain	
<b>5</b>	<b>Matters Arising from Previous Minutes.</b>  13. A MOP raised a concern about the difficulty faced by residents of Burnside Court when trying to cross the road outside the Sheltered Housing development. Lynn made some enquiries about 'Elderly Crossing' road warning signs for the vicinity. Clackmannanshire Council confirmed the signs are £75 each and it is normally £50 per sign for installation on existing street lighting column/posts. If a new post is required they are £150. The Traffic Regulation Order for the 20mph on Brook Street, Alva has already been done and signs will be going in place next financial year 2017/18. Lynn suggested that residents of Burnside Court make an application to the Community Matters fund. Sandra agreed to speak to the Manager of Burnside Court to establish if there is a Tenants Organisation and if so assist them with an application.	

6	<p><b>Police Report – PC Brentt Chambers</b></p> <p>Attached</p>	
7	<p><b>Office Bearers Reports</b></p>	
7.1	<p><b>Chairperson Report – Lynn Cameron</b></p> <p><b>Code of Conduct</b> – Lynn gave each Community Councillor a copy of the Code of Conduct for Community Councillors and proposed that this is formally adopted at the next meeting in January.</p>	
7.2	<p><b>Secretary Report</b> – Linda Greig was not in attendance but sent the following report that was read by Sandra</p> <p>Firstly some items that Councilor Drummond made enquiries about, on behalf of ACC &amp; members of the community during the October meeting. Unfortunately the meeting in November did not allow time for these updates to be given.</p> <p><b>Q - Glentana Site</b> - Please confirm the current planning and development status of the site and advise of any/if any current proposals that council officers are addressing?</p> <p><b>A</b> - <i>Currently the Service has no planning applications or pre-application enquiries for residential or other development types, for the site.</i></p> <p><b>Q - Former Alva Academy Site</b> - I have been asked by Alva Community Council to find out when the new houses being built on the site of the former Alva Academy will be available for let. Can you tell us when the handover date from the contractor is scheduled to be?</p> <p><b>A</b> - <i>The new development currently being built in Alva the properties belong to Paragon and Link Housing although Clackmannanshire Council will have 100% nominations rights. The contractor will hand-over the properties to these housing association on completion. There is a meeting due to take place with Paragon and Link on 24/10/16 and this should give us a better indication as to when the likely completion date will be.</i></p> <p><b>Q - Johnstone Park Alva</b> - As you are aware the issue of a strip of land to the East end of Johnstone Park, part of the former Academy curtilage, that is to be restored to its former park status. Please advise when this is to happen and what arrangements will be made to restore the land to "park quality".</p> <p><b>A</b> - <i>I understand the original impetus for this strip came from the Alva Games Trust because when the games track was in operation one end of the oval was rather cramped and in the initial stages of considering what might be done with the then redundant school site the Council agreed to exclude a 5 metre wide strip along the edge of the boundary of the school site with the park so that it could be available if and when required for the games. On that basis the strip was excluded from the development site and from any marketing exercise and is not to be included in the current sale negotiations.</i></p> <p><i>There was never any undertaking by the Council that the Council would lay out the strip as parkland and as such there was never any decision by the Council to allocate budget for this work. On that basis I am unable to advise if and when the land will be park quality.</i></p> <p><b>BUS SUMMIT</b> the Bus Summit scheduled for 28/11/16 has been re-scheduled for Monday 16/01/17 at 11am in the Alloa Business Centre. The summit has been re-scheduled because MSP Keith Brown has not received enough feedback from stakeholders and therefore feels the summit may be a wasted opportunity to put across local concerns about the bus services.</p>	

	<p>ACC have been asked if they would like to raise any issues or make any suggestions regarding local bus services.</p> <p>Sandra asked if anyone had any issues or suggestions as Linda will forward them on to Keith Brown as requested. There were none.</p> <p><b>Fit for Fundraising' Training</b> (from Leslie Baillie) Saturday, 25th February 2017, 10.00 am Dumyat Centre</p> <p>To suit all Community Councillors and tenants and residents association members including those with Monday to Friday jobs, SCVO have agreed to deliver training aimed at helping groups better raise funds on a Saturday. This training usually takes 2 days but the trainer has agreed to adapt it to a one-day format to suit volunteers with busier lives. Please circulate this to members so they can keep this date free to attend.</p> <p><b>Question for Elected Councillors.</b></p> <p><b>Street Signs for Craigleith Terrace, Alva</b> - Residents of Craigleith Terrace have been in touch with Clacks Council several times to get the street signs for Craigleith Terrace to be replaced as there haven't been any for a number of years. Their comments include <i>"that the residents of Craigleith Terrace have had loads of irate workmen, delivery agents try and find their homes. The council have now informed them that they will eventually get round to replacing the sign by erecting a street sign on a new signboard on the pavement thus meaning digging up pavements to do this and creating yet another place for dogs to foul the pavements.</i> <i>We have asked that they put the new signs where the old ones had been on the building wall at each end of the terrace. Surely erecting pavement signs would be more costly than replacing them on the wall. Not to mention the cost of having to dig up the pavement etc."</i> The residents would like support for the signs to be put up asap &amp; if this is not possible then they would like to know the correct procedure for making a complaint.</p>	
<p><b>7.3</b></p>	<p><b>Treasurers Report – Anne Spruce</b></p> <p><b>Ordinary Account</b></p> <p>Received £600 admin grant from Clacks Council Payments- £ 2.36 AGM expenses to secretary £49.99 Gazebo</p> <p>Balance- £2239.49</p> <p><b>Special Events</b></p> <p>Christmas Fayre – banked £1109.49 Expenses Total- £ 960.83 Balance to date £ 148.66 Still to pay for Santa's toys and shop expenses</p> <p>We have £1250 from EDF still to use for Christmas activities but this can be used for the lights. Microgrant £250 given to the Alpha Badminton Group</p> <p>Special Events Balance -£8910.67 Ring-fenced Microgrants £1000, Action Plan £3610.55, Hanging baskets £172.79 Xmas fayre/lights £289.17 (if used against fayre ) Leaving £3838.16 to spend</p>	

<b>8</b>	<b>Convener Reports</b>	
<b>8.1</b>	<b>Environment incl Parks &amp; Alva Glen – Linda</b> Nothing to Report at this time	
<b>8.2</b>	<b>Joint Community Council Forum (JCCF)- Gemma</b> No Report The next JCCF meeting will be in January 2017 at Alva Academy.	
<b>8.3</b>	<b>Planning / Licensing Applications – Robbie</b> Clackmannanshire Council Weekly Planning Bulletin;  <u>11/11/16</u> Nothing to report  <u>18/11/16</u> Erection Of Detached Double Garage The Bungalow, Alva, Clackmannanshire, FK12 5HU  Alterations to Dwellings to Apply External Wall Insulation - 1 - 10 Ochilview, Alva.  Alterations to Dwelling House to convert attached garage into Bedroom with En Suite - Craigton Crescent, Alva  <u>25/11/16</u> Crown Lifting and Reduction of Lateral Branches to 3 No Sycamore Trees, 2 No Cherry Trees and 1 No Elm Tree - Open Space Between Cleuch Drive and Back Road  Alterations to Dwellinghouse Remove Internal Wall & Replace External Door with Window - Beauclerc Street, Alva  <u>02/12/16</u> Dormer Extension To Front Of House - James Street, Alva  Felling Of 1 No. Ash Tree And Tree Surgery Works to 1 No. Lime Tree Strude Howe, Alva.  <u>09/12/16</u> Alterations & Extension to Dwellinghouse to Create Utility Room & Install French Windows in Kitchen – Myretoungate, Alva.	
<b>8.4</b>	<b>Health Convener – Louise - No Report</b>	
<b>8.5</b>	<b>IT/Website / Data Protection – Philip Ward</b> was not in attendance but sent the following report that was read by Sandra  I have posted three times about the Community Matters initiative and have had numerous likes on Facebook.  The three winners of the raffle vouchers left over from the Christmas Fayre were drawn by running the list of names through a random shuffle program 5 times and choosing the top three names from the resulting list. Lynn advised the winners had not yet collected their prizes from Higglety Pigglety however, various Community Councillors agreed to contact the winners and remind them to collect their prize.  A new photo gallery has been created for the Christmas Fayre. Contributions would still be welcome.	

	<p>The webteam mailing list has been created. We are meeting for some training on the 16th January, after which time people should start emailing <a href="mailto:webteam@alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk">webteam@alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk</a> with web posting requests. One of the team will then reply "I'll do it" so that everyone knows the job is in hand, and then let the team and the requester know once the job is done.</p> <p>I have created a guide for the web team at <a href="http://www.alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk/webteam-guide/">http://www.alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk/webteam-guide/</a></p> <p>I think everyone has activated their account on our test system, and Graham has had a go at creating a test post. Could I encourage all web team members to log in and have a go?</p>	
<b>8.6</b>	<b>Data Protection – Mary</b> - No Report	
<b>8.7</b>	<b>Education – Gemma</b> - No Report	
<b>8.8</b>	<p><b>EDF Burnfoot Hill Community Fund - Lynn</b></p> <p>A Micro Grant report is due to reach EDF by 31/12/16.</p> <p>Using an EDF grant the Events Group have purchased a large planter for the grass verge adjacent to the Industrial Estate at the east end of Alva and have been awarded a grant to purchase another for the west end. Some of the hanging baskets have been replaced with those with incorporated reservoir and we hope to replace all the others as well.</p> <p>Lynn will speak to Phil about revamping the Facebook article to promote EDF Grants to the wider Alva community.</p> <p>Lynn suggested that Louise mention EDF grants to GP's at the next Health Forum as they may wish to apply for funding for defibrillator(s) for Alva.</p> <p>A MOP suggested ACC apply for funding for toilets for the town. This led to a conversation about lack of facilities in Alva. Cllr Balsillie mentioned the 'Walkers Welcome' scheme whereby businesses offer use of their toilet facilities to walkers.</p>	
	<b>Sub Committee Reports</b>	
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Events – Lynn, Linda, Anne, Sandra, Gemma &amp; Iain</b></p> <p>Alva Community Council Christmas Fayre was on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016.</p> <p>Many children and families came along to help celebrate the start of the Christmas period in Alva. Carol Singers from Alva Rainbows and Brownies enchanted the crowds finishing off with a loud rendition of Jingle Bells heralding the arrival of Santa who settled in his grotto and was visited by many children throughout the afternoon; there was also face painting, games, refreshments and tombola.</p> <p>There was a great atmosphere with Christmas music in the background from The Christmas Jazz Quartet helping everyone to get in the mood for Christmas shopping. Tables groaned with distinctive gifts and crafts from local groups and businesses providing an ideal opportunity to pick up a few stocking fillers.</p>	
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Community Action plan (CAPlan) &amp; Community Matters (CM)-Sandra</b></p> <p>As Community Matters is closely linked to the work of the Community Action Plan (CAPlan) Steering Group it was agreed that the two initiatives should be linked on ACC agenda, particularly since Sandra is leading on both.</p> <p><b>Community Action Plan (CAPlan)</b></p> <p>Eilidh Johnstone, a member of the public who was a member of the CAPlan Steering Group has moved to Shetland and therefore resigned from the group. Many thanks to Eilidh for her contribution to the group, her input was instrumental in the production of the CAPlan Report published in 2015 and she helped complete many of the grant application forms.</p>	

Current Members of the CAPlan Steering Group are;

**Community Councillors**

Sandra Rees (Chairperson), Lynn Cameron, Linda Greig, Anne Spruce, Iain Craig, Gemma Waghorn

**Members of Public**

David Fraser, Anne Stewart, Donald Balsillie

Sandra asked if any other MOP or Community Councillors want to join the CAPlan group. Community Councillor Robbie Russell & MOP Sylvia Hay joined the group.

The CAPlan Steering Group are meeting on Tuesday 13 Dec in the snug at No'5 Inn to discuss our application for Community Matters funding. Those of us who are also members of the Community Matters group will stay on to discuss the Decision Event we've to organise for 21 January.

**Co-operative Rear Car Park & Access to Town Centre**

There has only been one response to the letter sent to owners at 50 – 62 Stirling Street regarding the lane between their properties and the Co-op. The letter asked if they would be willing to give consent to the Co-operative to create a formal right of way and to sign a deed giving them that right in perpetuity. A follow up letter will be sent.

**Village and Small Town Initiative – Alva Streetscape Improvements**

At the Nov meeting Cllr Balsillie confirmed that capital spending is still in place for Alva streetscape improvements via the Village and Small Town Initiative – He advised that this was in the hands of the new administration however the original proposal involved consultation in 2017/18, with budget set at £650,000 with spend over 3 financial years from 2018/19.

According to clackswab there was a meeting on 26 October where Clackmannanshire Council officers discussed progress of the Corporate Plan 2012-17. Quote - 'All actions are at least 50% complete, with the exception of the village/small town centre initiatives action, as some target dates for initiatives extend to 2018/19, beyond the life-span of the Corporate Plan' This would appear to include the promised works due to be done in Alva.

As Cllr Balsillie was the only elected member present Sandra asked if he could offer reassurance to the people of Alva that the new Corporate Plan will include the £650,000 for Alva streetscape improvements via the Village and Small Town Initiative and when in 2017 will consultation begin?

Cllr Balsillie confirmed that following the discussion at a previous meeting he made enquiries and has been advised that '*line A34 of the approved Capital Programme indicates that consultation relating to Alva will proceed in 17/18 with the bulk of the investment programmed for 18/19*' Sandra will contact Robert Smith, Team Leader, Facilities Management for more detail on the programme for Alva.

Sandra asked elected members to remind ACC why works in Tillicoultry were done before Alva when we had our CAPlan complete and they didn't. Cllr Balsillie advised that the works in Alva were scheduled to coincide with building works on the former Alva Glen Hotel site but were postponed when Clackmannanshire Council lost the Compulsory Purchase Order for the site.

**Community Facilities**

ACC understand that the Labour administration have no plans for a Community Campus / HUB at Alva Primary School. Sandra asked Elected Members to confirm where community facilities will now be located and is the £500,000 allocated for this purpose ring-fenced for a facility in Alva as a need for this was a major outcome of the Community Action Plan. Cllr Balsillie suggested this question should be directed to Cllr Bobby McGill. Sandra will contact Cllr McGill before the January meeting.

Discussion followed about lack of community facilities in Alva. Cllr Balsillie

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advised that the Cochrane Hall in Alva is one of the least used halls in the county. Many Community Councillors and MOP's present suggested that Clackmannanshire Council will be faced with unprecedented opposition if they have plans to close the hall or sell it. Suggestions included change of use to become the Community Hub Facility that people of Alva have requested in the CAPlan. The Hub, wherever it may be, should include multi-use meeting spaces, toilets, facilities e.g. showers for hillwalkers/bikers, wi-fi, etc. An MOP wondered if the Cochrane Hall was a listed building. Sandra will try to find out for the January meeting.

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### **Community Matters (CM)**

At last months ACC meeting it was agreed that Community Councillors Sandra and Robbie would represent ACC on the CM Co-ordinating Group along with member of the public Sylvia Hay. Community Councillors Lynn, Linda and Iain have also expressed an interest in the group and will join us. An opportunity was given for others to join the group but nobody did.

CM summary - Clackmannanshire Council has agreed to fund a 'Participatory Budgeting' project worth £100,000 making it possible for communities to take part in decisions on spending of budgets on projects and activities which address the priorities of their communities. This is known in Clackmannanshire as 'Community Matters'.

The project aims to allocate funding to community-based activities which address community priorities under two categories:

- reducing inequality for those at greater disadvantage
- community environmental and social projects.

Clackmannanshire Council are working in partnership with Clackmannanshire's community councils to agree and co-ordinate the process by which local people will get involved in how the £100,000 is to be spent across communities. A CM Co-ordinating Group has been set up comprising representatives from other Community Councils in Clackmannanshire as well as other community groups.

There was a CM meeting in Alva Academy on 5 December where Sandra, Lynn, Iain and Sylvia met with representatives from other groups in Clackmannanshire and Clacks Council officers Stuart Crickmar, Head of Strategy and Customer Services and Lesley Baillie, Community Planning Policy Officer.

The £100,000 has been divided into 5 Wards, with a notional sum of £20,000 per ward. Alva and Tillicoultry are together in a ward so approximately £10,000 each. However, there are already applications in from groups covering the whole of Clackmannanshire so a slice of the budget could go to them so perhaps £8K or £9k for Alva.

The CM initiative has been publicised in local press, social media and posters throughout the area. Lesley Baillie is arranging another press release for this week. Local groups are encouraged to apply for funding. The deadline for submission of applications is 31 December 2016 and funding **must** be spent by 31 March 2017. Application forms, guidance, etc are available on Clacksweb and paper copies are now in Alva CAP and Higglety Pigglety shop.

Each ward is to arrange a Decision Event; Tilly and Alva have agreed to have separate events. The Alva Decision Event is on Saturday 21 January, 10am to 12 noon, Alva Parish Church Hall.

The next CM meetings are on 11 and 16 January where the Co-ordinating Group will check eligibility of applications before the decision events commence.

Those who have applied for funding have been considered eligible will have to 'set out their stall' and pitch at the decision event to persuade members of the public who will vote on the groups they think are most deserving.

<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>War Remembrance Local Service Men and Women – Gemma (on behalf of Mary)</b></p> <p>Mary attended Alva Academy’s “Evening of Remembrance” on Wednesday 16th November and collected three paper “poppies” which had been produced by the students/staff alike. The war covered is World War One 1914 - 1918 including The Battle of The Somme 1916.</p> <p>The three names are as follows:</p> <p>Private James Miller</p> <p>Second Lieutenant Norman Clayton</p> <p>Lieutenant James Morrison</p> <p>I feel that it is right that local servicemen and women are remembered for their sacrifice in order to give us our freedom today. I am hoping to compile an information sheet which will be put in the public domain within Alva.</p> <p>If any of the Alva residents who maybe relatives, friends or former neighbours of the above mentioned servicemen can/could assist in this project, I would be very grateful. Obviously if there are other servicemen/women’s names and information, I would also accept these too.</p> <p>My email address is: <a href="mailto:mary.dalrymplealvacommouncil@gmail.com">mary.dalrymplealvacommouncil@gmail.com</a> or put a note in the Alva Community Council zip folder in the Alva CAP/Library. Thank you."</p>	
<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>Clackmannanshire Councillor Reports</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Donald Balsillie</b></p> <p><b>Roads Issue</b> - At last months meeting Cllr Balsillie agreed to consult with officers at Clackmannanshire Council about the following roads issues and report back at the December meeting:</p> <p>Q - When will white lines will be painted on the areas of the resurfaced A91 through Alva?</p> <p>A - There is a small amount of road marking / centre lines that were missed by the contractor, these are due to be replaced in the future, there will be fewer markings than before as lack of a guiding line has been shown to reduce traffic speed and improve driver concentration.</p> <p>Q - Can improvements be made to speed bumps in Alva as they are not very effective?</p> <p>A - All of the speed humps and cushions in Alva fall within the horizontal and vertical parameters laid out in Regulations. If height was increased Clackmannanshire Council may be liable for insurance claims if vehicles were damaged. In the last 10 years there have been no speed related accidents in streets where there are humps or cushions.</p> <p>Q - Could 20mph signs on Brook Street outside the school and Burnside Court be emphasised and enforced.</p> <p>A - The speed limit on the B908 is currently 30mph. Roads and Transportation recently carried out a consultation on a proposal to make Brook Street 20mph. This would continue from its junction with the A91 in a southerly direction, covering Burnside Court &amp; the primary school. Given the positive response to the consultation we intend to introduce the 20mph limit and associated reminder signs once the Traffic Regulation Order is completed. Enforcement of speed limits is entirely the responsibility of Police Scotland.</p> <p>Q - Could Stirling Street have more spaces for the disabled?</p> <p>A - Yes, I shall be looking at parking, loading bays and the provision of disabled parking spaces as part of the Small Towns and Villages initiative (see item 10)</p>	



	<p>Q – Could more parking spaces be provided for Alva with improved directional signing?</p> <p>A – This is something for the Council to consider as part of the initiative mentioned above. At present Roads and Transportation Services receives neither revenue nor capital funding for construction of car parking or off-street parking spaces. Nevertheless, we have provided directional signing to the public parking spaces available on Lower Cobden Street, Queen Street and Glentanna Mill.</p> <p>Q - Could a Pelican crossing be provided at the junction with Bollinis (Queen Street junction) and at the clock cross (Brook Street junction)</p> <p>A – The provision of the appropriate traffic lights and footway alterations to accommodate the two signalised crossing points is likely to cost upwards of £200,000. Whilst Roads and Transportation Services would be willing to support the community in making at least one of these crossings it would have to be considered along with other proposals put forward for the Small Towns and Villages initiative.</p> <p><b>City Deal</b> – in response to a question at the November meeting Cllr Balsillie asked if ACC have a 'big idea' that would require funding e.g. a hydro unit to power illuminations in Alva Glen or a Community Centre. He suggested defining the CAPlan Report i.e providing more detail of what Alva needs and wants. Clackmannanshire and Stirling Councils are working on the City Deal initiative together. Funding is supposed to be rolled out to smaller town and villages like Alva</p> <p><b>Sale of Land at Queen Street</b> – Cllr Balsillie advised that the land at the site of the former Alva Academy and Ochil Leisure Centre has been sold to a housing developer subject to planning permission. The topic of a Community Benefit from the developer was raised and several possibilities suggested including landscaping of the strip of land adjacent to the site that is to be returned to the Johnstone Park.</p>	
<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p><b>Lone Workers in Alva CAP</b> – A MOP expressed concern about lone workers in the CAP as they were unable to cope with the volume of customers at peak times. Cllr Balsillie advised changes have been made to staffing levels to save money.</p> <p><b>Live Facebook Feed at ACC Meetings</b> – On behalf of a MOP Louise asked if there were any plans for a live feed at ACC meetings for those who are unable to attend meetings. There are no such plans at the moment.</p> <p><b>Community Wardens</b> – it was reported that Community Wardens responded to concerns about vandals in Alva Glen but on arrival apparently didn't approach the culprits but just drove into the carpark and out again.</p> <p><b>Parking at Primary School</b> – A MOP advised that the Parent Council met with Clackmannanshire Council regarding the move away from plans to create a community Hub at the school. The PC have many concerns about the plans including the lack of parking. Currently there isn't even enough parking for people who work in the school. Cllr Balsillie suggested that perhaps a deal could be done with the Bowling Green or Logans Farm. It was suggested that Linda contact Stuart Crickmar to clarify the current status of plans.</p>	<p>LG</p>
<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 Alva Baptist Church</p> <p>7.00pm - Community Councillors only 7.30pm – Public Meeting</p>	





**ALVA COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**12/12/16**

**INTRODUCTION**

I am Police Constable 933 Brentt Chambers, one of the Community Policing officers for the area stationed at Alloa Police Office, the other being PC 247 James Miller. You can contact me by calling 101 or by e-mail at [Brentt.Chambers@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Brentt.Chambers@scotland.pnn.police.uk).

There have been 7 detected crimes and 5 undetected crimes recorded by police over the last month.

**PRIORITIES**

**ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

There were 3 recorded incidents of anti-social behaviour in the area, they are as follows;

- 25<sup>th</sup> November, a wilful fireraising in The Nebit. This is undetected with enquiries ongoing by the reporting officer.
- 28<sup>th</sup> November, a male was arrested and reported to the Procurator Fiscal for misuse of the 999 system.
- 29<sup>th</sup> November, threatening & abusive behaviour, and assault at Johnstone Court. This is undetected with the enquiries ongoing by the reporting officer.

**VANDALISM**

There was 1 reported incident of vandalism in the area over the last month, it is;

- 19<sup>th</sup> November, a vandalism to a house window in Johnstone Street. There is a named suspect who is to be traced in relation to the incident.

**VIOLENCE**

There has been 1 recorded incident of violence in the area, it is;

- 29<sup>th</sup> November, threatening & abusive behaviour, and assault at Johnstone Court. This is undetected with the enquiries ongoing by the reporting officer.



### **ACQUISITIVE CRIME**

There have been 5 recorded incidents of acquisitive crime towards the public in the area, they are;

- Between 28<sup>th</sup> October and 16<sup>th</sup> November, theft of bicycles from a shed in Cochrane Crescent. This is undetected and enquiries are ongoing by the reporting officer.
- 28<sup>th</sup> November, theft of a car wheel from Brookfield Place. This is undetected and enquiries are ongoing by the reporting officer.
- 30<sup>th</sup> November, theft from a property in Cochrane Crescent. This is detected with a male arrested and reported to the Procurator Fiscal.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> December, theft shoplifting from the Co-Operative, Stirling Street. This is detected with a female arrested and reported to the Procurator Fiscal.
- 4<sup>th</sup> December, theft shoplifting from the Co-Operative, Stirling Street. This is detected with a female arrested and reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

### **ROAD TRAFFIC**

- 1<sup>st</sup> December, a car was uplifted in James Street, for having no insurance. A female will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

**It should be noted that traffic offences are routinely detected and dealt with by police without the need for them to be recorded.**

### **OTHER INCIDENTS OF NOTE**

- 14<sup>th</sup> November, a male was searched under S23 Misuse of Drugs Act at Alva Glen and was found with cannabis. He was reported regarding this.

Any information regarding drug dealing or other criminality can be reported to police or Crimestoppers and can be done so anonymously.

Efforts are continuing to deal with parking problems in Alva by means of enforcement and communication with Clackmannanshire Council.

### **ANY OTHER COMMUNITY ISSUES**



Police Scotland are currently undertaking their festive campaigns, to target particular areas such as drink driving, personal and home security on darker evenings along with operation Christmas to provide support to retail premises which see an increase in trade over the festive period.

Community police officers have continued in their efforts to address local issues such as anti-social behaviour, parking issues and underage drinking. Please continue to report any concerns to police on 101 or directly to myself.

Facebook and Twitter – Community Messages can be placed on local Police sites via one of the Community Sergeants, who are PS Catherine Sharkey 089 and PC 653 Graham Cadden. Both are based at Alloa Police Office.

### **RURAL WATCH SCOTLAND**

**Receive FREE  
crime alerts and  
info about where  
you live**

Email  
Phone  
Text

Register at:  
[www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk](http://www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk)  
Non Emergency Number: 101

**Rural Watch**, a deceiving name, however this is a new neighbourhood watch scheme run independently from Police Scotland and is looking to increase their membership in Clackmannanshire. After registration, you can receive free crime alerts and relevant information about the area in which you live. These alerts and information will be supplied by local community police officers. To find out more, please visit their website; <http://www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk>

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