

Alva Community Council (ACC)

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Minutes of Meeting

Monday 12 June 2017, 7.30pm

Venue: Alva Baptist Church

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

In Attendance:

Members of Public (MOP) x 12

Elected Councillors – Cllr Balsillie, Cllr Clark & Cllr Henny

Agenda Item	Minutes of Item Discussed	Action By
1	Welcome and Introductions Lynn welcomed those in attendance to the meeting.	
2	Apologies Apologies from Robbie and Iain	
3	Declaration of conflict of interest - None	
4	Minutes of Previous Meeting Proposed by Anne & seconded by Kirsty	
5	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes - None	
6	Police Report – PC Brent Chambers - Community Police Officer Report Attached Following discussion about lack of parking at Alva Primary School is was agreed to invite Chairperson of the Parent Council, Andrew Witty, to a future meeting.	Linda

	<p>be published around every 6 weeks. Any ideas or suggestions for the page are welcome and can be submitted to the City Deal Mailbox. Any queries or questions about City deal can be sent via email to citydeal@clacks.gov.uk.</p>	
7.3	<p>Treasurers Report – Anne Spruce JUNE Ordinary Account Expenditure £53.98 Flasks £15.99 Parking Boards £69.97 Total</p> <p>Balance £1919.30 - £69.97 = £1849.33</p> <p>Special Events Account Income £2000.70 Funday Expenditure £1917.41</p> <p>Balance £11231.96+ £2000.70 – £1917.41 = £11315.25</p> <p>Ring-fenced Micro grants £500 Action plan £3610.55 OLE £5359.00 Planter £374.81</p>	
8	Convener Reports	
8.1	<p>Environment incl Alva Glen – Linda</p> <p>GrowClacks - Clackmannanshire Council is working with national charity Greenspace Scotland to develop a Local Allotments and Food Growing Strategy for Clackmannanshire and they need local people to tell us why, where and how they would like to be growing their own food.</p> <p>Background to the project -The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act of 2015 requires each local authority to prepare a food-growing strategy for its area to identify land that may be used as allotment sites, identify other areas of land that could be used for community growing, and describe how the authority intends to increase provision for community growing. Development and Environment Services within the Council are taking this forward. The Act places a duty upon the Council, but we are aware that community growing also supports health, education and social inclusion and we want to be sure to develop a strategy that maximizes the benefits that community brings to Council services as well as to communities. This project is funded by the Central Green Scotland Greenspace Network Development Fund. A series of local events, open to all have been held in the area. Any interested parties can contact info@alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk for more info on contacts & can see #Growclacks on facebook https://www.facebook.com/GrowClacks/</p> <p>Plant a Tree Charter Legacy Tree - In celebration of the launch of the new Tree Charter on 6 November 2017, 800 Legacy Trees will be planted across the UK. Legacy Trees will be accompanied by a small plaque about the Tree Charter. Our hope is that these trees will ensure the principles of the Tree Charter are continued well beyond 2017.</p> <p>A portion of Legacy Trees have been reserved for community councils who contribute to the Tree Charter by becoming Charter Branches. Becoming a Charter Branch is completely free (as are Tree Charter Legacy Trees) and will in no way effect the autonomy of your council. Your level of involvement is up to you and may range from simply signing up to receive free copies of the Tree Charter's newspaper Leaf, to helping gather signatures of support, to more imaginative projects and activities around trees. (There may be funding available for potential activities & projects). It was agreed in principle that Alva CC would sign up to the tree charter. Linda will liaise with Alva Glen Heritage Trust (AGHT) regarding this.</p>	Linda

	<p>Alva Glen Heritage Trust Illuminations event - Saturday 16th September 2017. Volunteers are always welcome to help at the event and you can visit AGHT on Facebook & send a message.</p> <p>A MOP advised of the Alva Glen workday on Sunday morning 18/06/17 and invited volunteers to help. It was agreed the ACC will promote the event on the Website and Social Media sites. Another MOP suggested AGHT become affiliated to Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme as there are many young volunteers looking for opportunities to develop skill and gain experience.</p>	
8.2	<p>Joint Community Council Forum (JCCF) – Lynn</p> <p>No Report – next meeting 09/11/17 (there was an interim meeting on 31/08/17)</p>	
8.3	<p>Planning / Licensing Applications – Robbie absent so the following report was given by Sandra</p> <p>Alva Glen Hotel Site - Planning Application 16/00268/FULL</p> <p>Cllr Drummond Enquiry of 09/05/17 – <i>‘Alva Community Council discussed the current position of the proposed development of this site. Please advise if there are any delays in proceeding here that are not attributable to the developer. Reference was made to an allegededly outstanding SEPA report’</i></p> <p>Response - 12/05/2017 from Grant Baxter, Principal Planner - <i>The site is shown as being affected by the 1 in 200yr (medium risk) flood risk zone of the Alva Burn in SEPA's Flood Map.</i></p> <p><i>As such, SEPA were consulted on the planning application. In response, SEPA submitted an objection to the application on 17th January 2017. This objection was on the grounds that there was insufficient information on flood risk to inform a decision on the application.</i></p> <p><i>Subsequently, the applicant submitted plans and details of estimated flood flow paths and water levels and relative floor levels in the proposed development to demonstrate that these would be above the estimated flood water depths. This information was received by the Service on 28th March 2017 and forwarded to SEPA for re-consultation the next day.</i></p> <p><i>SEPA responded to this further consultation on 24th April 2017, maintaining their objection on flood risk grounds, and advised that a full flood risk assessment was required to consider the risk from surface water and the Alva Burn. The applicant has concerns about the potential cost of a full Flood Risk Assessment, in the context of the overall viability of the site. The Service is therefore seeking further dialogue with SEPA to fully understand what information they require and how this can best be provided.</i></p> <p><i>I should point out that in the event that the Council proposes to grant planning permission contrary to SEPA's advice on flood risk, the Town and Country Planning (Notification of Applications (Scotland) Direction 2009 requires referral of such cases to the Scottish Ministers.</i></p> <p><i>The Service will continue to work with the applicant and SEPA to find a solution.</i></p> <p>It was suggested that Clacks Council should have some data that they could share with SEPA as they are working with The Conservation Volunteers (TCV) Scotland on a community river monitoring project.</p> <p>Blocked Drains – A MOP mentioned blocked drains and was advised to use the ‘Report It’ facility at www.clacksweb.org.uk or at Alva CAP. Cllr Drummond advised every drain should be cleaned annually. It was acknowledged that we can’t fight nature and after heavy rain there is debris from the hills which can cause flooding and it’s not always due to blocked drains.</p>	

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Public Partnership Health Forum & Alva Health Centre Patient Group – Louise

Alva Medical Practice Patient Group Meeting - Next meeting 21/08/17.

PPF Meeting Wednesday 7th June 2017, Sauchie Community Hall, 7pm.

1. **CTSI Awards Ceremony** took place at Lornhill Academy on Tuesday 6th June 2017 where several PPF members received a certificate for their voluntary work.

2. **ALFY (Advice Line For You)** – Fiona Gordon, Service Manager, gave an update on this service since it became operational in 2015.

- Anyone over 65 years of age or has a long term illness such as Asthma; Blood pressure problems;; Diabetes etc. can contact this 24 hours 7 days a week service helpline. Tel: 01324 567247 It also involves discharging patients from wards A21 and A22 at FVRH. This service will be rolling out to the community hospitals on a roll out basis. There are information leaflets being put into libraries as soon as possible. New leaflets advising of patient journeys and stories, are at printers at present. There is no age limit for this service. Hard of hearing user can contact their local practice to get more information.

3. **Strathcarron Hospice** – Susan High. New approach to obtain assets in the communities. This is people who has time to visit a frail and elderly person and converse with them.

- More palliative care is given by doctors and nurses.
- Social workers including various therapists are only helping a small number of people. They are trying to reach out to more. The biggest fears for people who have terminal illnesses are: Isolation and loneliness. Along with less finances, these factors can reduce someone's lifespan.
- Lanarkshire has begun a befriending service and there are 70 trained volunteers. More are expected to be available in August.
- Asset Mapping – pilot scheme- has started in Clackmannanshire and Denny.

4. **Stroke Awareness** – Susan Bennett. 15000 people every year in Scotland has a stroke due to various causes and complex disabilities.

- If you think that someone is having a stroke, ask them to smile. Pay particular attention to their eye and mouth. If their mouth has a droop, then get them to hospital right away. Call 999 for an ambulance or if access to a car is available, drive them to A&E. TIA – Transient Ischaemic Attack requires hospital admittance. Stroke sufferers can have the following difficulties such as not being able to work; financial stress; lose their identity, lack social skills.

- Binge drinking is when a person drinks double or more their recommended daily amount in a week and not necessarily all at once. Also drugs. 1 hit of cocaine in 24 hours will give that user a 700% more risk of a stroke than anything else. £1m research funding in Scotland obtained in 2016.

- There will be a new developed support group in Clackmannanshire later this year. No date given as yet.

- Children who are stroke sufferers can have this due to birth defects such as a hole in the heart. The Stroke Awareness website is where information can be downloaded regarding children. Forth Valley Royal Hospital discharges statistics 2015/2016 = 550 for people with strokes. In young people, it is mainly social and lifestyle factors which affects them. A clot busting drug is available in FVRH and is called Thrombolysin. Advisory facts as follows for suspected stroke sufferers:

- Do NOT give Aspirin to the person.
- Do NOT give them any food or drink
- Note time stated when symptoms are noticed
- Keep them calm and comfortable
- Any significant changes note down as well.

8.5	<p>IT & Website – Graham</p> <p>Photo Gallery – Phil advised a new photo gallery has been created at www.alvacomunitycouncil.org.uk and many photos from the recent Fun Day are uploaded to it.</p> <p>Online Micro Grant Application – Phil advised this is currently out-of-order and will be fixed over the summer months.</p>	
8.6	<p>Education – Gemma</p> <p>P7 Transition Days – Gemma advised the current P7's are having 2 full days at Alva Academy this week.</p> <p>Dance Extravaganza - Sheona Craig, Alva Academy Parent Council advised that there will be a Dance Extravaganza at the Academy this Thursday at 6.30pm.</p> <p>Pupil Equity Fund (PEF)– Sheona advised that, as expected, schools are banding together to spend this money. All feeder primaries into Alva Academy are clubbing together to spend some of the money on literacy and numeracy improvement. Alva academy are to spend the remainder of their monies on a nurture hub . This had to be approved at head of education level akin to a dragons den type scenario. There was discussion re better engagement with school with Sheona asking both schools parent groups if they wish to take up Alva Community Council offer of disseminating information on their website</p> <p>National Parents Forum of Scotland (NPFS) – Sheona is a member and advised NPFS have launched ten year review of the 2006 parental involvement act. Report now published and launched at an event with John Swinney. There are implications / recommendations for schools , local and central government</p>	
8.7	<p>EDF Burnfoot Hill Community Fund – Lynn</p> <p>Lynn attended a meeting recently where it was confirmed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Community Action Plan Group have been awarded £2000 towards an outdoor gym – see item 11. • The Events group have been awarded £2000 funding for the Fun Day on 27/05/17. • The Micro Grant fund will be topped up as we have awarded several groups £250. • Burnfoot Hill Community Fund Panel – One member is resigning and Lynn's 4 years are up in Nov 2017 so they are looking for new panel members i.e. one member of the public and one Community Councillor to attend 4 meetngs per year (2 panel + 2 review meetings). It was suggested that Lynn continues for another 4 years. Discussion to be continued at ACC Sept/ October meetings. 	
9	<p>EDF Micro Grants – Linda</p> <p>Micro grant application - Gillian Watt applied for funds to purchase books for the benefit of local children. A vote was taken and it was agreed to award the funds.</p> <p>Micro Grant Project Report - Alva Age Concern returned their end of project report form, where they expressed their appreciation of the £250 EDF micro grant. The group have 70 members & the grant has contributed to the running of their activities over the last six months.</p>	

	Sub Committee Reports	
10	<p>Events – Lynn, Robbie, Linda, Anne, Sandra, Louise, Iain, Gemma, Graham, Mary & Kirsty.</p> <p>Alva Community Fun Day, Saturday 27 May 2017, 12 noon to 4pm</p> <p>The streets of Alva were an array of colour as an invasion of Superheroes gathered for the parade along the town centre to the Cochrane Park for the start of the 4th annual Fun Day. A host of around 150 Superheroes joined real life Elsa, Anna, Moanna, Ariel, Spiderman and Ironman on a colourful musical parade along the main street led by Classic Cars and the Tartan Juggler.</p> <p>Town centre bollards had been transformed into superheroes and community-made bunting and colourful hanging baskets enhanced the appearance of the town. Enthusiasm, laughter and excitement increased as the parade reached the Cochrane Park for the start of the Fun Day.</p> <p>The afternoon was full of Superhero activities for all the family to enjoy including Bouncy Castles, Slide, Roller Coaster Simulator, Kick Darts, Trampolines, Kids Rides, Face Painters, Owl Magic, Tombola, Refreshments, Motorbikes, Fire Engine, Mountain Rescue and of course various stalls and local food outlets - there was something for everyone at the Fun Day.</p> <p>There were competitions including the opportunity for teams to dress up a town centre bollard in the Superhero theme with a £50 prize for the winner. There were 9 very impressive entries and judges had a difficult time choosing a winner but this year the Bollard Competition Shield and £50 prize was won by Wee County Crafters for their double sized Spiderman perched on a bollard.</p> <p>And picking up the winners cup and £10 each for the following competitions were;</p> <p>Veggie Superhero (children up to 8) - Robbie Robertson, age 5, with "Hugh Cucumber" who has awesome powers including making baddies in to duckies!</p> <p>Recycled Superhero (children over 8) - Jessica McIvor</p> <p>Outfit for your little Superhero (Adult) - Rita Shaw.</p> <p>This year's theme was chosen to bring our community together to celebrate the courage, strength and hope that superheroes represent. The camaraderie was amazing and we want to send a huge thanks to the approx 800 people who were present as well as the volunteers who helped on the day, their participation was greatly appreciated and made the event a massive success.</p> <p>Thanks also to the two volunteer photographers Ian Bone (Louise's dad) and Christina Hunter a local budding photographer a.k.a Teeny Photography. Their photos are available to view in the photo gallery at www.alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk. Anyone else with good photos of the day may have them added to the gallery by emailing them to webteam@alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk</p> <p>Alva Community Council was successful in an application for a £2000 grant from EDF Burnfoot Hill Community Fund and the activities at the Fun Day were made possible due to the award.</p> <p>A MOP proposed a vote of thanks to the Events Group for a very successful day</p> <p>The 2018 Fun Day will be on Saturday 26 May.</p> <p>The Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 18 November 2017.</p>	

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Community Action Plan (CAPlan) – Sandra

The Steering Group met with Stuart Crickmar, Head of Strategy & Customer Services, Clackmannanshire Council on Mon 15 May, 6.30pm in Alva CAP. Attended by Sandra, Lynn, Linda, Anne, Iain, Sylvia & Donald.

The group discussed with Stuart how to develop the Alva Community Action Plan (CAPlan).

Village & Small Town Initiative (VSTI)–Alva Streetcape Improvements

Stuart confirmed that the town centre investment of £650,000 for Alva is in the Capital Programme of the Clackmannanshire Council budget for 2019-21. Stuart advised he and his line manager will discuss soon how to help communities with VSTI's and will let us know when and how consultation will commence regarding the improvements to Alva and will speak to Planning Dept regarding the suggestion in Alva CAPlan to narrow pavements to create parking on both sides of the street.

Community Hub / Alva Primary School Refurbishment –

Stuart confirmed that the capital allocation for this is £702,000, the bulk of which is forecast to be spent in 2017/18 and 2019/20 and includes £100,000 for a community hub that is to be integrated into the school. Clackmannanshire Council agreed in principal on 29/03/17 that there will be a community hub at Alva Primary School. Plans include; large multi-purpose meeting room, small consultation room, good wi-fi (including evenings). Discussion followed about concerns of many people in the community about the logistics of a hub at the school. Lack of overall space, lack of parking and security issues are among the list of concerns. Stuart confirmed there will be public engagement and a Working Group will be established which will include a rep from Alva Community Council. There will probably be a community drop-in/discussion/workshop event to set out proposals from Clacks Council.

Cochrane Hall – The group asked about the future of the Cochrane Hall and if consideration had been given for investment in the facility as the community hub as an alternative to the primary school. Stuart confirmed that Clacks Council have agreed in principal that the hub should go in the primary school and there are no approved plans to modify Cochrane Hall, which as a listed building would have limitations in terms of the extent of any redesign.

Alva Glen Upgrade – Stuart confirmed there is £103,000 in the budget for upgraded access to the glen over 5 years to 2022.

Clackmannan Development Trust – Stuart gave an example of how this trust may run the hub in Clackmannan and rent space back to the Council. The example is not agreed as yet but is a model Clackmannanshire Council have discussed with the Trust and will likely remain an option under consideration following asset transfer should it proceed.

Clackmannanshire Third Sector Interface (CTSI) – Stuart advised that Anthea Coulter at CTSI could perhaps assist in setting up a Development Trust and make a case for projects in keeping with guidance from Development Trust Association Scotland (DETAS).

Alva Traders – Following discussion it was agreed that Lynn will liaise with Cllr Dave Clark who has expressed an interest in encouraging Alva Traders to form a group to have a collective voice regarding town centre improvements. Lynn will give an update at the next CAPlan meeting.

Lynn

Summary – There should be a collective vision for Alva Town Centre.

Stuart clarified that plans of Clackmannanshire Council could change depending on the political administration of the council following the local election (it was undecided on the date of the meeting on 15/05/17).

	<p>Public WIFI in Alva – Response from Stuart following a query about this topic</p> <p><i>Alva CAP - Wifi is available and operating ok. The wifi is tied into the Web4U system and therefore only operates during Speirs opening hours (that is where the system is hosted from). However, we're currently looking to extend the time wifi is available. For IT security reasons, users need to have a library login which they can get from staff. Unfortunately, it's not simply a case of turning up and logging in automatically.</i></p> <p><i>Alva Academy - No public wifi is currently available. There is a separate school wifi network but can't be used by the general public due to IT security issues. However, a new wifi system is currently being procured which will allow more general self-service access to wifi in the high schools and other council buildings. Latest update from our IT colleagues suggests installation around summer time.</i></p> <p><i>Cochrane Hall - No public wifi available. Based on demand and cost, we have no installation plans at this point.</i></p> <p><i>In essence, there is public wifi in Alva, however, it's not on an unrestricted use basis.</i></p> <p>Next Meeting - Alva Academy on Thursday 15 June from 6.30pm to 8pm</p> <p>Funding for Outdoor Gym</p> <p>Sandra submitted an EDF Burnfoot Hill Community Fund Application for £6000 for outdoor gym equipment, if successful this would have been granted in quotas of £2000 per year for 3 years. However, at a recent EDF panel meeting it was agreed to award £2000 and the group are encouraged to apply again for other funding required for the gym.</p> <p>The £2000 from EDF will be added to the £5359 received from OLE for Phase 1 of the outdoor gym that will be located on the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) in Cochrane Park adjacent to the football 'cage'.</p> <p>Sandra has emailed Mike Nicoll at Clackmannanshire Council for reassurance that there is still landowner permission and that Clacks Council are still prepared to incorporate maintenance of the gym equipment into the Alva parks maintenance programme.</p>	
<p>12</p>	<p>Clackmannanshire Councillors Reports</p> <p>Cllr Martha Benny (Con) – Cllr Benny introduced herself as this is her first time serving as an elected member following recent elections. She advised her priorities for Alva will be to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address parking issues in the town centre. • Look into feasibility of a zebra crossing at the Queen Street / Stirling Street corner for the benefit of people going down Queen Street to the Health Centre. • Find out what, if anything, can be done to enforce a clean up of the site of the former Alva Glen Hotel. <p>Cllr Dave Clark (Lab) – Cllr Clark introduced himself as it has been 25 years since he was an elected member. He advised his priorities for Alva are;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traders Meeting – Cllr Clark has written to all traders and other property owners in Alva to a meeting in Parklands on Monday 19 June 2017. He will suggest they form a group to have a collective voice regarding town centre improvements. Other elected members have also been invited and an invitation will be extended to ACC. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Former Alva Glen Hotel site – Cllr Clark met recently with Mike Mulraney who advised that the owner of the site is Mr McIntyre. Cllr Clark will liaise with Mr McIntyre to offer assistance with the SEPA requirements for the site which is holding up the planning application – see item 8.3. • Consider proposals for one-way traffic along Park Street • Cllr Clark is going to ‘walk Alva’ with officers from Clackmannanshire Council and invited representatives from ACC to attend. • Licencing Board – Cllrs Clark and Benny are both on the Licencing Board. • Proposed Community Hub at Alva Primary School – Cllr Clark advised he was a Social Worker at the time of the incident at Dunblane Primary School. He will therefore oppose any plans by Clackmannanshire Council to have a Community Hub at Alva Primary School for reasons of safety and security of pupils – see item 11. • In conclusion Cllr Clark congratulated Alva Community Council for serving the community effectively and noted the atmosphere is much different to 25 years ago. <p>Cllr Donald Balsillie (SNP) – Cllr Balsillie summarised that there are now four ‘Alva Centric’ elected members following recent elections and that Clackmannanshire Council (CC) will consult with Alva Community Council regarding strategic issues. The new CC administration is made up of 8 SNP, 5 Labour and 5 Conservative elected members and SNP have formed a minority administration and advised the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provost - Cllr Tina Murphy • Depute Provost - Cllr Donald Balsillie • Council Leader - Cllr Les Sharp • Depute Council Leader - Cllr Archie Drummond <p>Proposed Community Hub at Alva Primary School – Cllr Balsillie advised that Clackmannanshire Council have agreed in principle that there will be a Community Hub at Alva Primary School as it’s considered that the most economic way to provide services is to have them central in one building. In reponse to concerns about safety and security of pupils, Cllr Balsillie refered to the recent terrorism attacks in Manchester and London and suggested that there could be attacks anywhere regardless of security. He noted that discussions regarding the Community Hub will continue with ACC’s CAPlan Group – see item 11.</p> <p>Sheona Craig, Alva Academy Parent Council (formerly Alva Primary) considers that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alva Primary School is undersubscribed but there will be new pupils from the new Eco Houses – possibly from Aug/Sept 2017 and the approved Ogilvie development. • The school is 40 years old and has asbestos. • No capacity to offer nursery places for 2 year olds last year. • Nursery had a Care Inspectorate visit where environmental caveats are recorded due to inadequate toilets. • Educational capability is reduced by taking away playgrounds. • Raploch would change some aspects of the purpose built Primary School / Community Hub. • How can Clackmannanshire Council ensure access to CAP facilities for those individuals who are restricted in their movement near children. • Education and Planners use different criteria. <p>Cllr Archie Drummond (SNP) – apologies as unable to attend.</p>	
12	AOB - Lynn advised there was no time for AOB as it was 9.45pm	
13	Date of Next Meeting AGM on Mon 11 September 2017 at 7.30pm Community Councillors pre-meeting at 7pm	

APPENDIX 1-POLICE REPORT

ALVA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

12/06/2017

INTRODUCTION

I am Police Constable 933 Brentt Chambers, one of two Community Policing officers for the area stationed at Alloa Police Office, the other is PC 247 James Miller. You can contact us by calling 101 or by e-mail at James.Miller@scotland.pnn.police.uk or Brentt.Chambers@scotland.pnn.police.uk.

Since the last meeting there have been 8 detected crimes and 6 undetected crimes recorded by police.

PRIORITIES

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

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

- 17th May, acts of disorder in Dalmore Drive, Alva. This is detected with a male reported to the Procurator Fiscal.
- 24th May, wilful fireraising at Balquharn Farm, Alva. This is undetected with enquiries ongoing.
- 25th May, acts of disorder at Cochrane Crescent, Alva. This is detected with a male reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

VANDALISM

There was 1 recorded incident of vandalism in the area, it was as follows;

- 13th May, vandalism to a car in The Nethergate, Alva. This is undetected with enquiries ongoing.

VIOLENCE

There were no recorded incidents of violence in the area.

ACQUISITIVE CRIME

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

- 8th May, theft of a water urn from Alva Scout Hall, Park Street, Alva. This is undetected with enquiries ongoing.
- 22nd May, theft by shoplifting at the Co-Op Store, Alva. This is detected with a male and female reported to the Procurator Fiscal.
- 24th May, theft of a car jack from Southcroft, Alva. This is undetected with enquiries ongoing.
- 26th May, a telecoms fraud at The Cochranes, Alva. This is undetected with enquires ongoing.
- 3rd June, a theft by shoplifting at the Co-Op Store, Alva. This is undetected with enquiries ongoing.

ROAD TRAFFIC

It should be noted that traffic offences are routinely detected and dealt with by police without the need for them to be recorded. Several have already been mentioned along with other offences under the ASB section.

- 21st May, male riding an off road motorcycle at Greenhead, Alva. Reported to the Procurator Fiscal for various road traffic offences.
- 24th May, male driving under the influence at Queen Street, Alva. Reported to the Procurator Fiscal for various road traffic offences.

OTHER INCIDENTS OF NOTE

Since the last meeting there has been 3 pro-active operations in regards to drugs sale/supply in the Alva area. This has resulted in 4 persons being reported to the Procurator Fiscal for offences under Misuse of Drugs Act 1971.

Any information regarding these fires 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 education and enforcement. No physical changes to the problematic areas appear to be imminent however consideration should be given to possible temporary solutions to ensure the safety of pedestrians whilst allowing access to delivery vehicles.

ANY OTHER COMMUNITY ISSUES

Police Scotland are currently seeking community involvement and input into the Policing 2026 strategy project. This will be the most comprehensive analysis ever undertaken of the demands policing faces and the sort of organisation we need to become to protect the people of Scotland over the next decade. More details and information can be found on the Police Scotland website.

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 ourselves via e-mail.

Facebook and Twitter – Community Messages can be placed on local Police sites via one of the Community Sergeants, who are PS Scott Thomson 378 and PC 653 Graham Cadden. Both are based at Alloa Police Office.

FEEDBACK FROM MEETING