



	<p>and agreed at the AGM on 08/09/14.  Main Account: The £726.53 increase is due to receipt of £837.19 celebrate money for the Queen's baton relay. The £110.66 difference is for cheques issued from the this account.  Events Account: The £2151.97 increase is due to receipt of £1,990 from EDF for the hanging baskets/planters, £60 refund from mascot hire for the fun day, £183.31 in the collection boxes and Awards for All told us to keep the balance left over from their grant. Cheques written had been cashed.</p>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Convener Reports</b>	
<b>5.1</b>	<p><b>Convener Report - Data Protection - Philip Ward</b></p> <p>Phil confirmed that ACC are now registered with the Information Commissioners Office (ICO), this is the UK's independent authority that upholds information rights in the public interest regarding Data Protection and Freedom of Information. REF: ZA072764. Annual cost of registering is £35 and will be due for renewal on 28/08/15. Documents can be viewed at <a href="http://www.ico.gov.uk">www.ico.gov.uk</a> .</p> <p>Phil proposed the purchase of a PA system at £89.99 plus £14.99 for insurance. This was unanimously agreed by members.</p>	
<b>5.2</b>	<p><b>Convener Report - Public Partnership Health Forum (PPHF) and Alva Health Centre Patient Group - Kirsty Wilson.</b></p> <p>On behalf of Kirsty, Margaret attended the PPHF forum in the Bowmar Centre on 17 June and will bring a report to the October meeting. Kirsty intimated at the AGM that due to medical appointments she will be unable to attend the Public Partnership Health Forum on 16/09/14. However, she hopes to be able to attend the Alva Health Centre Public Forum on 22/09/14. As no members of ACC are able to attend the PPHF meeting on 16/09/14 Lynn asked if a MOP would like to go. MOP, Mary Dalrymple offered to go and report back to ACC at the meeting on 13/10/14.</p>	MD
<b>5.3</b>	<p><b>Convener Report - Education - Gemma Waghorn</b></p> <p>Gemma said that Alva Academy 6<sup>th</sup> Year pupils will be hosting another McMillan Coffee Morning on Friday 26 September, 10am to 12noon.</p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Sub Committee Reports</b>	
<b>6.1</b>	<p><b>Sub Committee - Events - Lynn, Linda, Anne, Gemma &amp; Sandra</b></p> <p>The AGM earlier this evening included a resume of events to date and is recorded in those minutes.</p> <p><b>Christmas Lights</b> - A member of the public (MOP) asked why Clackmannanshire Council don't take on responsibility for putting the Christmas lights up and down and for storage as this would save £1,200 that ACC need to raise annually for this purpose. Cllr Archie Drummond explained that there would still be a labour cost and that perhaps ACC could do similar to Tillicoultry Community Council who are currently looking for a spare lock-up for their lights. Discussion followed about locations of lock-ups in Alva but several members of ACC had concerns about security of these. Another MOP suggested that ACC explore the possibility of employing a local electrician. Lynn asked MOP's to let her know if they are aware of a local business that can provide a like-for-like service cheaper than £1,200 i.e. one that can put lights up, down, maintain &amp; store and they would be required to have all the relevant risk assessments, insurances and method statements to comply with Health and Safety.</p> <p><b>Fundraising</b> - Sandra confirmed an application for £2,000 has been submitted to EDF Burnfoot Hill Community Fund for additional Christmas lights. ACC hope to link up with Alva Primary PTA again this year for a joint Christmas Fayre. Following last years successful 'Alva Community Event and Christmas Late</p>	

	<p>Night Shopping Evening' ACC hope to host another, probably on Thur 4 Dec.</p> <p><b>EDF Burnfoot Hill Community Fund</b> - Lynn intimated that one more member of the Alva community (not from Community Council) is required to sit on the EDF panel. Those interested should apply to EDF. Margaret will try to obtain posters inviting people to apply.</p> <p><b>ACC Storage</b> - ACC have a lockable cupboard located in the meeting room at Ochil Leisure Centre (OLC) for storage of various items belonging to ACC e.g. flasks, high viz vests and fun day stuff. Following the closure of OLC and uncertain future it was agreed to pursue the possibility of relocating the cupboard to a room in Alva CAP. <b>POST MEETING NOTE:</b> Linda has confirmation that the cupboard can be placed in CAP and has contents of the cupboard at her house temporarily pending collection of the cupboard from OLC.</p>	
7	<p><b>Clackmannanshire Councillor Reports</b></p> <p>On behalf of Cllrs McGill, McAdam and Drummond, Cllr Donald Balsillie extended thanks to ACC for their positive efforts and service to the community of Alva.</p> <p><b>Alva Glen Illuminations</b> - Cllr Balsillie intimated that Alva Glen Heritage Trust are planning illuminations in the glen for Saturday 13 September, 7 to 9pm, volunteers are required and he encouraged members of ACC and MOP's to offer help. <b>POST MEETING NOTE:</b> Lynn, Linda and Gemma helped at this event.</p> <p><b>Alva Glen Hotel</b> - Demolition is almost complete but Cllr Balsillie considers that we wouldn't be in this position today if Clackmannanshire Council (CC) hadn't pursued the Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) in response to concerns from the community. The private developer probably wouldn't have purchased it so cheaply from the previous owner if not for the CPO application. The Scottish Government finally refused the CPO in favour of the new owner who had appealed. CC await plans for the cleared site. Cllr Balsillie expressed regret that it had not been possible to save the hotel before it got beyond repair as it was one of the first Coaching Inn's built approx. 200 years ago and was originally named 'The Bluebell Tavern'. A MOP asked if there would be private apartments built on the site, Cllr Balsillie confirmed the site is zoned for housing. The £782,000 given to CC from Scottish Government for social housing on the site won't be transferred to the private developer.</p> <p><b>Old Cinema</b> - Cllr Balsillie confirmed that Cllr Archie Drummond has written to the owner of the premises, which is now a meat factory, but has received no response. Cllr Balsillie confirmed he has also written and met the owner several times regarding the poor appearance of the front of the building on Alva's main street but the owner simply referred him to the much worse state of Alva Glen Hotel. However, now that the hotel is being demolished Cllr Balsillie has arranged for Business Advisors from CC to meet the owner to try to secure goodwill as the owner is not legally required to upgrade the outside of the building (report in March '14 minutes). A MOP asked why employees from the meat factory were permitted to visit shops in the town wearing blood stained overalls. Cllr Drummond confirmed this was illegal but nothing can be done without evidence. He encouraged MOP's to report such incidents to CC via the 'report it' facility on <a href="http://www.clacksweb.org.uk">www.clacksweb.org.uk</a></p> <p><b>Garages/Storage</b> - Cllr Balsillie explained that CC are currently developing a strategy for garages/lock-ups and that CC could possibly offer one to ACC for low rent for Christmas lights, etc. See item 6.1.</p> <p><b>Bus Shelters</b> - A MOP asked Cllr Balsillie who is responsible for cleaning bus shelters in Alva and wondered if individuals from Community Payback could do it. It was clarified that this scheme must only be used for tasks that are not already someones paid job. Cllr Balsillie confirmed that proceeds of crime are ploughed back into communities.</p> <p><b>Community Action Plan (CAP)</b> - Cllr Balsillie encouraged ACC to create a CAP to create a vision for the future of Alva and to establish the priorities and aspirations of the community. This would involve meeting with other groups in the town to agree priorities of the community, create a Steering Group and secure funding and support for projects and facilities. He explained that Clackmannanshire Council (CC) is committed to 'Making Clackmannanshire Better' and Sauchie town centre was recently upgraded benefitting from the</p>	

	<p>'Village and Small Town Centres Initiative'. Tullibody will be next and could be followed by Tillicoultry and then Alva. A MOP asked how ACC could apply for grants, etc, to motivate shop owners to paint frontage of shops. Cllr Balsillie confirmed there is a Capital Grant Fund*. He encouraged development of an Alva Traders Association to work with those leading the CAP but cautioned that it is tricky to get investment of public money for private business. Sandra confirmed that she and Margaret are interested in leading the Alva CAP on behalf of the Community Council and Margaret has informed Lesley Baillie, Community Planning Policy Officer, Clackmannanshire Council. Following concern from MOP's Lynn clarified that ACC would establish plans via the CAP and CC would do the work. A MOP asked why we have CC if they are asking ACC to do all this work as it's going back to the past when Alva had it's own town council, he questioned whether ACC had the power to make decisions. Margaret clarified that ACC has a certain level of power and that it's sufficient for the purposes discussed. Another MOP considers that ACC 'are a breath of fresh air' for the town. He recalled that Clackmannanshire Council officials i.e. Cllrs Balsillie and Drummond, have attended most ACC meetings for the last 18 months, Cllr McGill also attends when he can and the attendance of Lesley Baillie at this meeting demonstrates their commitment to public consultation in this age of devolution.</p> <p><b>*POST MEETING NOTE</b> In February 2014, Council approved the establishment of a new £200k capital Grant Fund for community improvements as part of Making Clackmannanshire Better (MCB). The funding aims to incentivise communities to work with the Council to improve the physical environment and community facilities. In particular, the Council is seeking to incentivise organisations to assist in meeting the ambitions set out within MCB of more integrated, accessible services within communities.</p> <p><b>ACC Place of Meetings</b> - A MOP asked Cllr Balsillie if Clackmannanshire Council would consider the purchase of the former RBS building in Alva for use by ACC and the public. He suggested that the MOP discuss with ACC whether they wish to make this proposal but cautioned that CC already has lots of buildings that need to be used. Following a question from Linda, Cllr Balsillie confirmed that funding is available to ACC for hire of a place to meet. Cllr Balsillie suggested ACC using a room at the new Alva Academy but most members of ACC and MOP's consider the location on the outskirts of town to be unsuitable as there is no bus service to the school and lack of street lighting all the way makes it unsuitable for walkers. A member asked about the old liberal club where pensioners used to meet, it is thought that this is now privately owned and in need of renovating. A member of ACC suggested the new pensioners facility at Parklands but as it's not available on Monday's ACC would need to move their meetings to Tuesdays , Lesley clarified that this could be simply done by ACC. The upper room at Alva Community Access Point was also considered but deemed too small. It was agreed that Iain would find out availability at Alva Primary School. Rev David Fraser confirmed that Alva Baptist Church hall would be available for the next few months.</p>	IC
10	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p><b>Bus Stop Road Markings</b> - On behalf of a MOP Linda asked Cllrs to find out when road markings at Alva bus stops will be repainted as some are very worn. Cllrs agreed to find out.</p>	
11	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> - Monday 13 October 2014 at Alva Baptist Church</p> <p>7.00pm pre-meeting for ACC Councillors.</p> <p>7.30pm Public Meeting</p>	