

Alva Community Action Plan (CAPLan)

Notes of Steering Group meeting

Wednesday 22 November 2017

Alva Academy

In Attendance:

Alva Community Action Plan (CAPLan) Steering Group:

*Sandra Rees, *Lynn Cameron, *Linda Greig, Iain Craig*, David Fraser & Cllr Donald Balsillie

*Alva Community Councillors.

Apologies: *Anne Spruce, Anne Stewart

Brian Forbes, Customer Service Manager, Clackmannanshire Council

The meeting scheduled for 18/10/17 was postponed as several members were unable to attend. It took place on 22/11/17.

Apologies from Jane Rough, Senior Education Officer, Clackmannanshire Council and Julie McGrath from Clackmannanshire Third Centre Interface (CTSI).

Brian explained to the CAPLan Group that Clackmannanshire Council were about to release a public consultation on a proposal to close 6 of the 8 Community Access Points (CAPs) in the county, including Alva.

On the basis that the Alva CAP may survive we discussed and looked at drawings of its relocation to a Community Hub at Alva Primary School that Brian had been working on before the aforementioned budget proposals. Brian was disappointed to learn that this was the first time the CAPLan Group had been involved in discussions about the relocation. The Group still has concerns about lack of parking in the vicinity and issues about security of children. However, we discussed the layout and made suggestions for alterations to the plans which would include public meeting rooms as well as the public library and other services currently provided at CAP.

Brian also explained that Clacks Council will encourage Community Asset Transfer (CAT) of public buildings including the Cochrane Hall in Alva.

The CAPLan Group would like to find out more about what would be involved in CAT of the Cochrane Hall and perhaps the toilet block in the park which is closed most of the time. This is something that could be considered as part of the Community Development Trust (CDT) that the Group are currently discussing with Julie from Clackmannanshire Third Sector Interface (CTSI). Julie has mentioned doing a skills assessment and asking those in the community with the required skills to get involved with the CDT and / or the potential CAT of Cochrane Hall.

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

No further discussion on this

