



	<p>Discussion followed regarding the parking issues on Queen Street outside Master Chef. Drivers park their cars on the pavement over the double yellow lines, this is causing an obstruction to pedestrians, wheelchair users and folks with prams which is a criminal offence. It also obstructs the traffic moving in and out of Queen Street. PC James Millar is aware this is a problem and asked for folks to make a note of registration numbers of offending vehicles and pass them on to Police for further action.</p>																															
<b>7</b>	<b>Office Bearer reports</b>																															
<b>7.1</b>	<p><b>Chairperson report – Lynn Cameron</b></p> <p><b>Responsible Dog Ownership</b></p> <p>Playpark in The Wynd – Cllr Benny agreed to request a ‘clean up after your dog’ sign for this children’s play park.</p> <p>Social media has been inundated with comments about irresponsible dog owners in Alva not ‘scooping the poop’. Lynn demonstrated how to make a ‘poo bag holder’ from an old plastic bottle, she has small laminated notices to attach to the holders. Several people have made them for their street and one of the Guide packs are making some.</p> <p><b>Alva Development Trust (ADT) – Heritage Celebration Event on 29 and 30 Nov 2019</b></p> <p>For full details on this see minutes of the ACC meeting on 11/02/19. Update - Lord Lieutenant Johnny Stewart has kindly agreed to open the heritage event in the Cochrane Hall on 29 November to commemorate the opening of the hall in 1929 by the Lord Lieutenant at that time.</p> <p>ADT are looking for any photographs, newspaper clippings etc of Alva from 1929 onwards. (Great care will be taken). Ian Anderson is known to have loads and is already confirmed to attend.</p>																															
<b>7.2</b>	<p><b>Secretary’s Report – Linda Greig</b></p> <p>The Alva CC email is now working again. Thanks to Phil for his efforts.</p> <p>There was good community engagement during the regeneration drop in event and Alva CC will follow up some enquiries made regarding other issues now the email is working.</p>	LG																														
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<b>8</b>	<b>Convenor Reports</b>	
<b>8.1</b>	<p><b>JCCF – Lynn Cameron</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Items to consider</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A volunteer to chair the JCCF from 2019.</li> <li>2. Feedback on the merits of Khub (Knowledge Hub) in advance of a decision at the next Forum on its continued use. By 23<sup>rd</sup> May</li> <li>3. Feedback on the purpose, structure, make-up and meeting frequency of the Forum.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Budget</b> Lesley will notify all community councils as soon as the decision on the community council grant is known (after 6th March).</li> <li>• <b>Insurance</b> Policy documents are expected to be issued for the block cover once the invoice has been sent to the Council and the premium has been paid. The insurance company will be asked for a separate certificate of insurance for each of the 8 ccs in question. Next meeting - 23rd May 2019</li> </ul>	<p>All</p> <p>LB</p>
<b>8.2</b>	<p><b>Planning &amp; Licensing Applications – Iain Craig</b></p> <p>Iain gave apologies.</p> <p>All local planning applications can be seen by visiting Clackmannanshire Council website <a href="https://www.clacks.gov.uk/">https://www.clacks.gov.uk/</a></p>	
<b>8.3</b>	<p><b>IT Report – Graham Burt</b></p> <p>This past month has seen very little activity on the website with only the Budget Engagement survey links and drop-off information posted with all other activity was posted via Facebook and thus by default on Twitter. Facebook posts included the Alva Regeneration drop-in sessions and Alva Town Centre Upgrade Consultation information and links followed by photographs of the drop-in event of itself over the 3 days it was open Other posts included our own chairperson Lynn Cameron who outside her shop Higglety Pigglety with her poo bag holder. The laminated notices are available FREE from the shop for anyone who wants to make a holder to try and help reduce the high level of dog poo left behind by irresponsible dog owners of which Alva seems to have more than it's fair share of. I also shared from their own Facebook page was some forthcoming events being hosted in the Cochrane Hall by Alva Development Trust including an Elvis Tribute singer in July and on Saturday there an Indoor Car Boot Sale. The final post prior to this report being written was good news of the Alva Tandoori Indian Restaurant re-opening again after a long closure due to twice being flooded caused by a burst water tank from the flat above.</p> <p>Last but not least is that our likes and followers has risen again, and we are tantalisingly close to the magic 1000 number. To date we have 981 followers and 961 likes, so with a little luck we will reach 1000 in the next month or two.</p>	
<b>8.4</b>	<b>Education – Sheona gave apologies.</b>	
<b>8.5</b>	<p><b>Micro Grant Applications – Linda Greig</b></p> <p>The end of year report has been sent to EDF. We will put the info on social media again.</p>	GB

<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>Events Sub Committee Update – Events Group</b></p> <p>The Funday theme will be Comic Heroes.</p> <p>There is lots to be done in preparation for the day.</p>	<p>events group</p>
<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>Community Action Plan – Sandra Rees</b></p> <p>The CAPLan Group comprises the following members;  Community Councillors  Sandra Rees (Coordinator), Lynn Cameron, Linda Greig, Anne Spruce, Iain Craig, Graham Burt, Katherine Graham and Margaret Breingan.  Members of Public  Sheona Craig, Donald Balsillie, David Fraser &amp; Martha Benny.  Village and Small Town Initiative (VSTI)</p> <p>Alva Regeneration drop-in Consultation on Thur 21, Fri 22 &amp; Sat 23 Feb 2019</p> <p>The Community Action Plan (CAPLan) Group and officers from Traffic &amp; Transportation and Planning Departments of Clackmannanshire Council worked together to come up with proposals for the Alva Regeneration project and presented them to the Alva community over a 3-day drop-in consultation in a vacant shop in the town centre on Thursday 21, Fri 22 and Saturday 23 February. Around 650 people called in to see the proposals over the 3 days and gave ideas, opinions and suggestions for improvements.</p> <p>Alva Town Centre (Stirling Street)- Clackmannanshire Council have set aside £650,000 for the Alva project under the 'Village and Small-Town Initiative' which has already provided improvements for Sauchie and Tullibody town centres. The £650,000 will be sufficient to provide an additional 5 or 6 parking spaces on the south side of the main street near shops as well as repaving both sides of the street between Brook Street and Queen Street junctions. However, Alan Murray, Team Leader, Traffic and Transportation and Gary Fraser, Roads Project Engineer, have been in talks with Sustrans to hopefully secure further funding to enable enhanced works in the town centre that would see greater improvements for people walking and cycling into the shops and to the schools and for traffic calming measures.</p> <p>If we are successful in our bid for Sustrans funding to add to the £650,000 the proposals will include;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Three 'speed tables' designed to slow traffic on the approach to the town centre at the 4-arm junctions at Brook Street and Queen Street and the 3 arm junction at Cobden Street, each incorporating a traffic light pedestrian crossing to replace the one currently near Co-op.</li> <li>• Some parking moved from the north side of the main street to the south side.</li> <li>• Improvements to pavements, cycling routes and pedestrian crossings throughout Alva.</li> </ul> <p>Alan and Gary along with members of the CAPLan Group with help from Cllrs Balsillie, Benny and Lewis set up and staffed the consultation venue with 3D depictions of the proposed new layout of the town centre and also lower Brook Street. Members of the public were encouraged to write suggestions and comments on post-it notes and stick to the drawings. These will be collated and considered alongside results of a Place Standard questionnaire and used to support alterations to the design of the project prior to another public drop-in event to deliver final plans to the community. Works to create a town centre that the community will want to use and tourists will want to visit are scheduled to commence around January 2020 and will take approx. 18 months.</p>	

	<p>It is hoped that the improvements will inspire property owners in the town centre to spruce up their property.</p> <p>Brook Street - Traffic calming measures on lower Brook Street are scheduled for this summer during school holidays and include a speed table with a pedestrian crossing near Hanover’s Burnside Court sheltered housing, speed table at Henry Street/ James Street junction and another at George Street as well as road narrowing outside the Primary School. Although part of the overall project, it is intended that this work will be funded separately by Clackmannanshire Council and Sustrans and will not use the funds earmarked for Stirling Street and the east and west ends of Alva.</p> <p>Place Standard Questionnaire - The Community of Alva are encouraged to complete a Place Standard questionnaire. This is a way of assessing the quality of Alva in its current state and provides a framework for evaluation and improvement. It maximises the potential of the physical and social environment to support health, community wellbeing and can help tackle inequalities. The questionnaire* is still available and can be found online at <a href="http://www.placestandard.scot/start/alva-regeneration-project">www.placestandard.scot/start/alva-regeneration-project</a> It consists of 14 questions which cover both the physical and social elements of Alva and provides prompts to help form answers. Results will be used to support alterations to the design of the Regeneration project proposals and also to create an update to the Alva Community Action Plan produced by the Community Action Plan Group (CAPlan) in 2015 following a survey issued to every household.</p> <p>*Paper copies of the questionnaire are available from Alva CAP, in its new location adjacent to Alva Primary School as well as Higglety Pigglety shop in the town centre to where completed questionnaires should be returned. There is no closing date for the questionnaire.</p>	
<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>Clackmannanshire Councillors Report</b></p> <p>Cllr Dave Clark indicated his concerns about the proposals for parking within the regeneration plan and its management. Sandra explained that for 2 years Alva Community Action Plan Group, Officers from Clacks Council &amp; Alva Community Council have explored all avenues and the proposals have maximised the feasible parking opportunities whilst ensuring the safety of road users and pedestrians. Cllr Clark also commented that the Council does not have enough officers. Cllr Clark is having a walk about Alva &amp; Tilly and will invite members of Alva CC to attend.</p> <p>Cllr Martha Benny congratulated the Community Council, CAPlan group and officers from Clacks Council for working together to engage with the community regarding the regeneration proposals.</p> <p>Cllr Donald Balsillie echoed the congratulations regarding the Alva community engagement. He also congratulated Alva Development Trust on their efforts on supporting community ownership whilst running the Cochrane Hall and the variety of events they are offering to the community.</p> <p>Cllr Balsillie reported that Clackmannanshire Council are to recruit a Funding Officer as there is funding available that would benefit local communities and this would help gain access.</p> <p>Cllr Helen Lewis commented on parking with the regeneration proposals and asked if there would be the introduction of parking fines. It was confirmed that no one was in favour of introducing parking fines but to perhaps introduce manageable time restrictions.</p>	

<b>12</b>	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p>A member of Alva Glen Heritage Trust asked if Alva CC could help them recruit a new Chair and Secretary as the present members are standing down after many years of service to the group.</p> <p>Alva CC will put any info we get on social media and share it with the Alva Community page as this will reach a large percentage of the community.</p>	GB
<b>NOTE</b>	<p>Members of the community are reminded that they can contact Alva CC via the email <a href="mailto:info@alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk">info@alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk</a> or leave information in the folder in the library if wishing to have items of business put on the agenda.</p>	

**Next Ordinary Meeting... Monday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 7.30pm**

# **APPENDIX 1**

## **POLICE REPORT**

**ALVA COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**11/03/2019**

### **INTRODUCTION**

I am Police Constable 247 James Miller, one of two Community Policing officers for the area stationed at Alloa Police Office, the other is Police Constable 1046 Dawn Grant. You can contact us by calling 101 or by e-mail at [James.Miller@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:James.Miller@scotland.pnn.police.uk) or

[Dawn.Grant@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Dawn.Grant@scotland.pnn.police.uk).

Police Scotland have recorded 18 crimes in the last month, with 7 showing as being detected and 11 as undetected for Alva.

### **PRIORITIES**

#### **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

There were 8 recorded incidents of anti-social behaviour in the area over the last month, they are as follows;

- On 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at the Ochil Hills Woodland Park, Alva, a female was found in possession of controlled drugs. A recorded police warning was issued and the drugs were seized.
- On 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at West Stirling Street, Alva, a male was threatening and abusive towards another. He has been identified and efforts are continuing to trace and apprehend him.
- On 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019 at the Ochil Hills Woodland Park, Alva, a male was found in possession of controlled drugs. A recorded police warning was issued and the drugs were seized.
- On 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at Alva Glen, Alva, a male was found in possession of controlled drugs. A report was submitted to the Procurator Fiscal and the drugs were seized.
- On 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at a residential property in The Nethergate, Alva, a disturbance occurred resulting in several offences being reported. Enquiries are continuing in this investigation.

- On 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 at Greenhead, Alva, a drugs search warrant was executed resulting in the recovery of a substantial quantity of controlled drugs. The occupant of the property has been reported for various offences.
- On 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at Henry Street, Alva, a drugs search warrant was executed resulting in the recovery of a substantial quantity of controlled drugs. The occupant of the property has been reported for various offences.
- On 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at Henry Street, Alva, a male was found in possession of controlled drugs. He was issued a recorded police warning and the drugs were seized.

### **VANDALISM**

There were 3 recorded incidents of vandalism in the area over the last month, they are as follows;

- On 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at James Street, Alva, external wiring was damaged at a residential dwelling. No suspect was identified and enquiries are now concluded.
- Between 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at Stirling Street, Alva, a parked and unattended motor vehicle was damaged in circumstances suggesting it was vandalised. Enquires are continuing.
- Overnight from 7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at West Stirling Street, Alva, the traffic lights at Cochrane Park were vandalised. No suspect or motive have been identified for this incident.

### **VIOLENCE**

There was 1 recorded crime of violence in the area over the last month, it is as follows;

- On 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at Alva Academy, Alva, a minor assault occurred between 2 pupils. Enquiries are continuing to resolve the matter.

### **ACQUISITIVE CRIME**

There were 0 recorded incidents of acquisitive crime in the area over the last month.



## **ROAD TRAFFIC**

There were 6 recorded incidents of road traffic offences over the last month, they are as follows;

- On 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at Craighorn Road, Alva, a vehicle was damaged after a road traffic collision occurred and the driver of the offending vehicle failed to stop.
- Overnight from 12<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at Henry Street, Alva, a vehicle was damaged after a road traffic collision occurred and the driver of the offending vehicle failed to stop.
- On 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at The Green, Alva, a driver was apprehended for drink driving.
- On 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at West Johnstone Street, Alva, a vehicle was damaged after a road traffic collision occurred and the driver of the offending vehicle failed to stop.
- On 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019 at Queen Street, Alva, a driver was found to have no insurance, road tax and MOT. The vehicle was seized and the offences were reported to the DVLA and the Procurator Fiscal.
- On 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 at Myretoungate, Alva, a vehicle was damaged after a road traffic collision occurred and the driver of the offending vehicle failed to stop.

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

## **OTHER INCIDENTS OF NOTE**

It is of note that 7 out of the 18 recorded crimes recorded this month were as a result of proactive actions taken by community and response police officers. We will continue to proactively target drugs misuse and road traffic offending to ensure a safer community for all residents.

The Clackmannanshire Community Policing Team will also be assisting in the forthcoming by-election and Alloa Half Marathon to ensure that both pass without incident.

### **ANY OTHER COMMUNITY ISSUES**

The Clackmannanshire Community Team will continue to target local drug dealers utilising intelligence received from the community. This intelligence is essential to enable officers to act against those involved and we encourage any information to be passed to the police or via Crimestoppers.

Community officers will continue to address parking and driving issues in Alva including Alva Primary School and Stirling Street. Numerous tickets and warnings have been issued and will continue to be issued where appropriate.

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 089 Cathy Sharkey. Both are based at Alloa Police Office.

### **FEEDBACK FROM MEETING**