

Alva Community Council (ACC)

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Minutes of Ordinary Meeting

Monday January 13th, 2020

Venue: @AlvaLibrary Brook Street Alva

Lynn Cameron – Chairperson	LC	Anne Spruce - Treasurer	SR
Linda Greig - Secretary	LG	Katherine Graham	KG
Graham Burt	GB	Euan Craig	EC
Iain Craig	IC	Mary Dalrymple (suspended indefinitely)	MD
Andrea Harkins	AH		
Community Councillors in attendance – LC AS KG GB EC AH IC Minutes – KG			

In Attendance:

Members of Community (MOC) 9

Elected Councillors – Cllr MB, Cllr DB, Cllr DC

Agenda Item	Minutes of Item Discussed	Action By
1	Welcome, Housekeeping & Introductions – Lynn welcomed everyone to the meeting wishing all a Happy New Year.	
2	Apologies – Linda Greig	
3	Declaration of Conflict of Interest - none	
4	Minutes of Previous Meeting – Proposed by IC seconded by EC.	
5	Matters Arising from Previous Meeting – none	
6	Local Police Report – see attached. Queen Street - brought up again with regards to the double yellow lines outside Masterchef. The PC Miller will check with Clackmannanshire Council about re painting the lines so there can be no doubt. Disabled Badges – question regarding parking, if the police deem the parking to be dangerous the individual will be asked to move. Game/Bird shooting – Police had received a complaint towards the end of last year and it was investigated and confirmed that there was no case to answer but on further discussion the issues raised in that complaint were not the same as the ones we have now. There is another complaint being sent to the Police and we await to hear the outcome of that.	

	<p>Cllr Clark raised the issue around firearms licenses and was assured that any complaints made against individuals would be investigated and if upheld would be taken into consideration when the renewal of licenses was taking place.</p>	
7	Office Bearer Reports	
7.1	<p>Chairperson Report - LC</p> <p>Alva Community Council Noticeboard – need to decide where to place it, probably on the wall beside the ramp as you enter the Primary School.</p> <p>December Meeting – it was proposed and agreed with a show of hands that the December meeting would be cancelled in future as most people were very busy at this time of year.</p>	
7.2	<p>Secretary Report – LC</p> <p>No report.</p>	
7.3	<p>Treasurer’s Report- January 2020</p> <p>No change on either account. The balances remain Ordinary Account £1661.24 Special Events Account £31,741.58</p>	
8	<p>Clackmannanshire Local Development Plan – Main Issues Report – 3 attachments</p> <p>Unfortunately the drop in session was not that well-advertised in future email to info@alvacommunitycouncil.org.uk and the Secretary can forward any future information or meetings to GB who can post on all appropriate websites and Alva Community Facebook pages.</p> <p>A presentation was given regarding the Local Development Plan a taking in Planning policy, attached are maps for development and areas not for development. A call for new sites was made previously with only a few responses. The LDP must be prepared in the context of national and local strategies and policies. Taking into consideration climate change, ageing population etc.</p> <p>Affordable and sustainable housing, infrastructure and cultural buildings are just some of the issues being looked at. Also the City Deal and new policies for tourism and tourism developments.</p> <p>The Local Development plan is available on the Clackmannanshire council website.</p> <p>Cllr Clark asked about the number of houses required being proportionate to the area and yes this is taken into consideration when they are looking at development sites. Also the character of the shopping areas as there are less shops in the main street and</p>	

	<p>retail units are decreasing is it better to keep a concentrated core or over a larger area or remain the same.</p> <p>Questionnaires are available on line or at reception.</p>	
9	<p>Clackmannanshire Councillors Reports</p> <p>CLlr MB – nothing at the moment other than one of her group had retired so there would be a bi-election in March so now Cllr Bennie is the chair for this group and they are currently working on the budget.</p> <p>Cllr DC – Has concerns of the Budget consultation and doesn't feel there is enough transparency and no public consultation and has taken this forward with the Legal Office. Due to the general election at the beginning of December the Scottish budget is still in draft form so assumptions have to be made going forward for the Council Tax figure.</p> <p>Cllr DB – Reiterated that the Barnett Formula had not been applied as yet to give the Council their budgets. There should be Public consultations about local issues when it comes to funding. ACC support the cycle route to Alloa and through the school. Rejected the site south of the Boll Farm due to flooding etc. Alva Glen site has planning request for 6 flats and 3 bungalows and are awaiting a decision. Glentanna Mill site should transfer to housing and multi use. Suggests that there are electricity charging points in every new development. Planning will take into consideration schools, although the Alva schools are not full, GP surgery etc. when making decisions on giving planning permission. There will be an annual charge of £36 for a brown bin collection. Council tenants and other housing associations have been advised. The council discussed the "charge" for Brown bin collection with other councils that have implemented this and there has been no significant increase in fly tipping etc.</p>	
10	AOCB – no time available.	
	Next Ordinary Meeting – Monday 10th February, 2020 at 7.30 pm	

APPENDIX I

POLICE REPORT

ALVA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

13/01/2020

INTRODUCTION

The community police officers for Alva are PC 247 James Miller and PC 492 Steven Carrie, who are both stationed at Alloa police office. You can contact them by calling 101 or by e-mail at James.Miller@scotland.pnn.police.uk or Steven.Carrie@scotland.pnn.police.uk.

Police Scotland have recorded 14 crimes in the last month for Alva. Of these, 6 are detected and 8 are currently undetected, most of which are still under investigation.

PRIORITIES

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

There were 3 recorded incidents of anti-social behaviour in the area over the last month, as follows;

On 13th December 2019 on the A91, Alva, a male was found in possession of controlled drugs. These were seized and a report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

On 16th December 2019 at Alva Academy, a complaint was received regarding the behaviour of a child which merited a report being submitted to the Children's Reporter.

On 30th December 2019 at Stirling Street, Alva, a male was issued a Recorded Police Warning after being verbally threatening and abusive to police officers.

VANDALISM

There were 2 recorded incidents of vandalism in the area over the last month, as follows;

Overnight from 29th to 30th December 2019 at James Street, Alva, a parked and unattended vehicle had the bodywork intentionally scratched. Efforts are ongoing to trace the person responsible.

On 12th January 2020 at The Nebit, Alva, a window was smashed at a residential dwelling. A suspect was observed and enquiries are continuing.

VIOLENCE

There were 4 recorded incidents of violence in the area over the last month, as follows;

On 18th December 2019 at Cleuch Drive, Alva, a minor domestic assault occurred which resulted in the male responsible being arrested. He was held in custody to appear at court the following day.

On 18th December 2019 at The Nebit, Alva, a minor assault within a domestic dwelling between family members. This resulted in a male being charged and reported.

On 24th December 2019 at The Nebit, Alva, a serious domestic assault and vandalism occurred which resulted in a female being arrested and held in police custody to appear at court.

On 2nd January 2020 at Greenhead, Alva, a complaint of a minor domestic assault was received. The suspect was traced and apprehended by police but no further action was taken after the incident was fully investigated.

ACQUISITIVE CRIME

There were 2 recorded incidents of acquisitive crime in the area over the last month, as follows;

On 28th December 2019 at East Stirling Street, Alva, a games console was stolen from a residential dwelling by an associate of the occupier. Efforts are ongoing to trace the male responsible.

On 30th December 2019 at Dalmore Drive, Alva, 2 females made off after a taxi journey having failed to pay the fare. Police are following a positive line of enquiry.

ROAD TRAFFIC

There were 3 recorded incidents of a road traffic offences in the area over the last month, as follows;

On 8th January 2020 within a car park at West Stirling Street, Alva, a pedestrian was struck by a passing vehicle. Enquiries are continue to trace the driver responsible who failed to stop at the material time.

On 9th January 2020 at Academy Avenue, Alva, a driver was apprehended for driving while under the influence of controlled drugs. He has been reported for this and other offences relating to controlled drugs.

On 12th January 2020 at Coblecrook Gardens, Alva, a male driver was apprehended for driving while under the influence of alcohol. A report will be submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

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

Community officers have also assisted in policing local festive celebrations and football events including the recent Old Firm match which involved licensed premises being visited and checked throughout the county.

PC Carrie will be returning to full community policing duties at the end of January after being abstracted for the last month or so assisting with other policing duties in the division.

ANY OTHER COMMUNITY ISSUES

Community officers will continue to address parking and driving issues in Alva. 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.

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.

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.