

DALRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of Dalry Community Council Meeting

Monday 11th November 2019 Rosearden Hall

1. Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming everyone.

2. Apologies

No apologies were received.

3. Present

Community Council:-

Sheena Woodside (the Chair), James McCosh, Julie Wales (Treasurer), Myra Sim,

Also in attendance:-

Christina Pieraccini (North Ayrshire Council), Sgt J Murdoch (Police Scotland), Reg Graham (Dalry Community Development Trust), John Higgins, Peter Stevenson, Alastair Adamson, Mhairi Reid, Smith Marley, Betty Grant, Allan Wright, Robert Cuthbertson, David Cooper.

4. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes were circulated and were approved as an accurate record. Minutes were then proposed by James McCosh and seconded by Julie Wales.

5. Matters Arising

Sheena had attended NAC Budget meeting about which she gave a report. A follow-up meeting on November 28 will be attended by Community Councillors who will report back at next CC meeting.

6. Police Report

Sgt J Murdoch reported that the number of calls in Dalry to 101 had increased in the past month with 288 calls. These translated into 42 crime reports being raised. Sgt Murdoch reported on the number of calls under the four local priorities as follows:-

Drug misuse – 6 calls

Anti social behaviour – 36 calls

Youth disorder – 12 calls

Road safety and traffic crimes – 21 calls

He reported that assorted calls reporting vandalism from local residents had been made but still not the level that would be expected for some of the disturbances that have been taking place.

He explained how calls are distributed to local police when received and that it depends on the number of calls and seriousness of incident as to how quickly police can attend. Groups of gathering young people and others soon realise police are on

the way when they see approaching blue flashing lights and quickly disperse. The problem is how to deal with offenders when they are identified. There is no easy answer.

Advice to remember from the police:-

- Call 101 immediately you are aware of trouble
- Always lock cars and property leaving valuables out of sight
- Expect follow up from police regarding reported incidents
- Police and local community must work together with realistic expectations

7. Treasurer report

Julie Wales reported the following changes to accounts:-

Administration Account: £413

Project Account: £1803 75

8. Councillor reports

Local councillors were unable to attend the meeting and no reports were submitted.

9. Town centre funding

Alex McKenzie of North Ayrshire Council had been invited to address the meeting but was unable to attend. The Chair reported that the deadline for proposals was soon and the outcome would hopefully be reported at the next meeting.

10. Garnock Valley Locality Partnership

No further developments to report since last meeting.

11. Garnock Valley Joint Community Council

Meeting to be held on Tuesday November 26 to discuss regeneration plans.

12. Planning Applications

Proposed removal of Telephone Box at Blair Road. Feedback requested from those involved. It was noted that the telephone box at Blair Road did not fall within any of the categories which would support it's removal. It was agreed that the Community Council would object to the proposal.

13. Licensing

No licensing applications were considered.

14. Correspondence

None

15. VE Day May 2020

It was decided the Community Council would organise a Tea Dance. Myra to find venue.

16. Any Other Competent business

Reg Graham provided an update on recent work undertaken by Dalry Community Development Hub. These included:-

- Progress of Dalry Community Sports Club
- Weather damage at Lynn Glen
- Fairy Glen activities and carvings
- Rosearden Garden progress and Hilltap Toon
- Den road works and cycle track
- Community Garden
- Plans for VE Day 10 5 2020
- Youth work project

The Chair advised that a Funding Fair would be held on 22nd November in Saltcoats Town Hall. Any local groups could attend to obtain funding.

The Tinsel and Torchlight Parade will be held on Friday 29th November.

On Sunday 1st December a Heritage Trail walk will take place. Attendees can meet at the Cross at 1 p.m.

Discussion took place over the name of new street at Watt Gardens. Those present at the meeting agreed that it would be good to commemorate Bessie Dunlop.

Discussion took place regarding the withdrawal of bus service and involvement of Taxi companies. The Chair advised that taxi operators had been open to a meeting to discuss how they could help in the short-term.

The Chair noted that two places were vacant on the Community Council. One expression of interest had been received from Peter Stevenson. Peter was co-opted onto the council after being proposed by the Chair and seconded by James McCosh.

17. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be the Community Council's AGM, and will be held on Monday 9th December in Rosearden at 7 p.m.

Agenda Item	Action	Allocated to	Due by
5.	Provide feedback on NAC budget meeting	Community councillors	9 th December
9.	Provide detail on regeneration funding proposals	The Chair	9 th December
12.	Feedback opposition to removal of phone box from Blair Road to [insert]	[insert]	[insert]
16.	Arrange meeting with taxi companies to assess short-term solution to cuts to local bus services		