

Largs Community Council Approved Minutes Thursday, 17 March 2022, 7pm

Present: CCllr Phillips(Chair), CCllr Smith (Secretary), CCllr Wood (Treasurer), CCllr Adair, CCllr Black, CCllr O'Connor, CCllr J Perman, CCllr P Perman, CCllr Stevenson, Cllr Marshall, Cllr Murdoch, Calum Corral (Largs & Millport Weekly News), Denise Fraser (North Ayrshire Council), PS Mark Semple (Police Scotland)

Apologies: CCllr Dippie, CCllr Knowles, Louise Riddex, members of the Youth Forum and Largs Academy

Item	Business
1	Welcome – Chair welcomed all members and apologised for being unable to connect to zoom. He advised of
	the recording of the meeting for minute purposes only.
2	Apologies – As noted above.
3	Police Report
	See attached report for stats and summary
	Mar 2022 Largs CC -
	Police Report.docx
	A reminder was given to be aware of online scams. A discussion took place about the amount of illegal
	parking in the town and the dangers caused by it and also the regular use of disabled bays by people who do
	not have a disability. PS Semple advised that the police try to strike a balance but any concerns that the
	public have should be reported to the police by phoning 101 or online at Police Scotland. They try to educate
	people but enforcement has to take place also. CCllr P Perman asked PS Semple to provide the number of parking tickets issued in the last 6 months. PS Semple advised that there is a balance to be achieved
	between the needs and the expectations of the community.
	Action point – PS Semple to provide number of parking tickets issued in Largs in the last 6 months.
	PS Semple is looking into the incident at Barrfields Football Park last Saturday. He considers the incident to
	be unacceptable but appeared to be a one off. CCllr Murdoch stated that he considered the police response
	to be prompt and efficient.
4	Minutes of Meeting of 17 February 2022
5	Approved – CCllr Wood, 2 nd – CCllr Adair Matters Arising from Minutes and Action Points
5	Action points still outstanding
	Any questions for Arthur Cowley to be forwarded to CCllr Smith and added to April's agenda for
	discussion. Cllr Murdoch still awaiting a response from Arthur Cowley about attending May's
	meeting .
	CCllr Smith to source a venue for April's meeting
	 CCIIr P Perman to take forward the lost property box – ongoing
	Transportation - Cllr Murdoch to enquire and report back about the 4 points below - ongoing
	 a road management survey which was carried out 3 years ago and is still not in the public domain.
	2. who paid for the survey
	 the results of a public consultation about the traffic management for the ferry.
	4. the total cost of a feasibility study for a proposed new jetty
	CCllr Knowles to send an email about the sub group compositions etc to everyone

	 Personal details of new Councillors and any changes to existing members' details to be forwarded to CCIIr Smith – for those still to do so
6	Litter Campaign
	LCC litter meeting summary 17th March
	CCllr O'Connor provided an update on his litter project as per attached document and what he had achieved so far. He has met with the Youth Forum who have agreed to take it to the People Council at Largs Academy. He also had a positive meeting today with Streetscene who were happy to work with him to develop suitable wording for signage. They are willing to work with the Community Council if we can all agree the correct wording. This could then be used to get the local retailers on board and support the campaign. There was a full discussion about how the campaign was being taken forward. CCllr Murdoch expressed his concern about duplication of work but it was pointed out that CCllr O'Connor was taking forward the action points agreed at the last Community Council meeting. The Community Council are fully supportive of the litter campaign and the actions being taken by CCllr O'Connor to take the campaign forward. NAC have agreed that if the appropriate wording can be agreed, Helen from Streetscene will approach the funding officer for funding for this. If this is not forthcoming there are other funding streams for environment issues. Empty retail units could be utilised for displaying signs. CCllr Black advised that his neighbour's children had filled 4 bin bags of litter from an area up the glen. They had done this on their own initiative which is much appreciated. There was considerable discussion about the roles of NAC, elected Councillors and Community Councillors and where responsibility lies. It was agreed that CCllr O'Connor would work on the wording of signage and report back to the CC at the next meeting.
	Action point – CCllr O'Connor to report progress at next CC meeting.
	Community Garden -Queen's Platinum Jubilee
	CCllr Stevenson questioned the position about public liability insurance for public events. Largs CC does have insurance arranged by NAC. CCllr Wood will check the position regarding insurance.
	Action point - CCllr Wood to check insurance and what it covers.
	CCllr Stevenson's wife has been working on producing an Easter bunny and Easter eggs for the garden's Easter display. He has received donations from Home Hardware and Jewsons. Largs CC has applied for a grant from NAC to fund the commemorative plaque and tree. CCllr Stevenson has discussed the proposed Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations with the guest house owner and he fully supports it. He has also discussed the proposals with Homemount House to involve the residents in an afternoon tea. Another proposal is to have a poster campaign in the schools for the event and ask the winners to open the event. The Youth Forum have also agreed to be involved. The date has yet to be agreed. Event plans - Proposed CCllr P Perman, 2 nd CCllr Adair. Cllr Murdoch advised that if the road is closed, traffic management will be required and there will be a charge. Homemount grounds could also be considered. The local paper will also attend.
	Action point – Cllr Murdoch will check if there is a cost to close the road.
8	Secretary's report and Social Media – CCIIr Smith may not be able to attend the next meeting and asked for
	a volunteer to take the minutes. CCllr Black volunteered to take the minutes.
	Cllr Smith and Denise Fraser are still in discussion about Social Media.
9	Treasurer's Report – Admin account - £475.15. Refund of zoom charges received and payment for hall due -
	£35. Project account –£414.16
	Proposed – CCllr Adair, 2 nd – CCllr Black
10	Sub Committee Reports
	Environment - out of town and in town
	Out of town



XLCC to be discussed under planning In town and Community Garden

- Community garden was tidied up on Sunday and the lost property box proposals are ongoing
- Hunterston minutes will be issued in due course. 3 points mentioned in particular Reactor 4 closed down, Health and Safety for defueling and Magnox/EDF relationship. EDF and Magnox and NDA highlighted the shut down of Reactor 4 at Hunterston B after 47 years. The reactor, along with 3, move towards planning defueling. They are awaiting Safety Case approval for this. Two incidents were recorded since the last HSSG - one was more around administrative recording of data captured around the site, however the other was the uncontrolled release of 1800 of tritium contaminated oil which was eventually captured in a pond before it escaped. There is an ongoing investigation but I intimated that this is extremely concerning as the movement of oil is a relatively simple process that should not go wrong like this. EDF and SEPA advised that they are agreeing on how to dispose of this oil. Whilst the risk from this spill was likely to be very low, the wider point is that it should not have happened. This will be followed up in due course with the HSSG and relevant parties"
- Licensing No update
- **Planning** all applications fully discussed
 - 1) Flats at Irvine Road 4 more flats but smaller than original plans no objections other than those already stated
 - 2) Big wheel no objections
 - 3) XLCC What are the views of the general public? Are they aware of it? Largs and Millport Weekly News will publish information about XLCC. Will include Community Council email address for responses. Agreed to hold a special meeting to discuss this before 10 April.
 - 4) 82 main Street a gap site single storey hot food takeaway objection due to overprovision of hot food takeaways

Action point – CCIIr Smith to set up a special meeting to discuss XLCC

Transportation – action point as in section 5

11	A.O.C.B. – none
	CCIIr Phillips thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
12	Date of Next Meeting – 21 April 2022, venue to be advised.
	Action point – All CCIIrs to send in their reports prior to the meeting and no later than 18 April 2022