



MILNGAVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Draft unconfirmed minutes of the Milngavie Community Council (MCC) meeting which took place on Wednesday 2nd March 2016 (Also published on MCC website: www.milngavie.org).

In attendance: Mr C Christie Mrs C Diaz (Secretary), Mrs C Macintyre-Beon, Mr D Hamilton, Mr G Johnson, Mr J Goodall, Mrs L Edwards, Mr I McAllister (Chair), Mrs M Prentice, Mr M Reynolds, Councillor E Gotts, Councillor J Gibbons, Councillor M Henry, Sgt J O'Donnell (Police)

By invitation: Ms S Kay, Mr A Ainslie and Ms M Apczynski

Apologies: Mrs J Pentland and Mrs T Allen-McIntyre

Also in attendance: Mr P Brown as an observer

Chair's Opening Remarks

001 The Chair welcomed members to the meeting, and invited approval of Alistair Ainslie as a member of the MCC, with an interest in helping where needed. This approval was duly received. The Chair also advised that Sandra Kay had been co-opted onto MCC as a member and that she would act as Minute Secretary, with an interest in health and social care.

Minutes

002 The unconfirmed draft minutes of the meeting of the MCC held on Wednesday 3rd February 2016.

003 That the minutes be confirmed as a correct record, after the following was amended on Page 2, from '...corporation...' to '...co-operation...' Proposed by Mr M Reynolds and second by Mrs L Edwards. It was agreed from now on that Ms S Kay would distribute the minutes to all and members would have 48 hours in to which submit proposed changes. After any changes have been made to the draft minutes, Sandra will forward to Caroline and Glen, for distribution to members and to be put on the noticeboards respectively. The minutes will continue to be considered at the next meeting for accuracy and approval, however, they should now be more accurate for boards in advance.

Police Report

004 A verbal report was provided on crime activity within the Milngavie area which indicated a slight increase on crimes reported compared with January 2016, with a 35% conversion rate to detected crimes. Also, that this is not abnormal and that year on year detected crimes had improved from 2015.

Action: That MCC will receive a written summary report ahead of future MCC meetings (JOD)

Councillors' Report

005 Members noted that:

- East Dunbartonshire Council (EDC) would be considering the budget settlement and agree the EDC budget at a full EDC meeting on 17th March 2016.
- There would be significant disruption of access to and from Milngavie train station and that of the train timetable from 20th March 2016 for a period of 20 weeks. Members were advised that Milngavie residents will have been made aware of this via various forms of media.
- Children of parents who are residents in East Dunbartonshire are to be given priority for nursery places.
- The Culture, Leisure and Sports Strategy (excluding pitch strategy), after public consultation had been adopted by the EDC Development and Regeneration Committee at its February 2016 meeting, and that EDC would work with MCC, amongst several other partners, to deliver the strategy.

Action: That the Councillors' report will be uploaded to the MCC website (CD)

Treasurer's Report

006 Treasurer advised members that the Boys' Brigade had thanked the MCC for the £500 awarded for two defibrillators.

007 Expenses were approved for Secretary and Treasurer, and there was a £50.00 contribution to the newly formed Association of East Dunbartonshire Community Councils (AEDCCC), which meant the administration account stands at £5942.33, and the Community Account remains at £278.67.

Stalled Spaces

008 Members were advised that the meeting to discuss and agree the way forward with the proposed improvement to the glade area north of library is still to take place

Community Councils Liaison Committee

009 Members were advised that, unfortunately, the Community Council Liaison Committee (CCLC) meeting was inquorate due to too few Councillors being present, and that the next meeting is scheduled to take place on 16th May 2016. Also, that the newly constituted AEDCCC, which includes all Community Councillors from across EDC, has planned to hold its AGM on 14th May 2016. At the Glazert Hotel, Lennoxton, and all Community Councillors are invited.

Action: MCC will invite the CCLC to hold their next meeting, scheduled to take place on 16th May 2016, in the Fraser Centre (CD and MP)

Planning

010 Members were advised that as EDC had approved the planning proposals for Kilmardinny House, but that the final decision for Listed Building Consent lay with the Scottish Ministers. The MCC therefore wrote to the Ministers explaining that the procedure applied had been inadequate. The Ministers upheld the EDC decision.

011 Members agreed, after a vigorous discussion, that the current consultation practices of EDC across all EDC departments were ineffective and unacceptable, and that consideration will be given by the MCC on how we go forward to be "heard"

Pitch Strategy

012 Members were advised that the Milngavie Football Club (MFC) continued to experience difficulty in establishing and maintaining contact with elected members and officers of EDC as well as the Leisure Trust EDC. Due to these difficulties the MFC is seeking to deliver a sports strategy outside of EDC control

with other sports clubs and facilities within the area. An update will be provided at next meeting as to progress.

013 Councillor Gotts advised members that the Pitch Strategy, after Public Consultation, had been adopted by the EDC Development & Regeneration Committee at its February 2016 meeting. A Working Party has been established to come forward with proposals to sort out all the letting of pitches issues prior to the new letting season starting in August 2016.

MMM Update

014 Members were advised that MMM has registered 'Milngavie Community Development Trust' as a limited company. Members were invited to attend the next MMM meeting, due to be held on 7th March 2016, in order to inform future activity. It was mentioned as well as receiving minutes of MMM meetings members would like to have a resume of how the Public Meetings went as not all can attend.

Action: Update on Public Meetings Held (CC)

Milngavie Train Station

015 Members expressed concern regarding the lack of purposeful consultation in general around the changes being made to the station, and in particular what they considered to be unsafe parking of vehicles in and around the station. Members were advised that the Queen Street High level will be closed due to the approach tunnel being closed for 20 weeks for electrification and the foregoing will have some impact on commuters from Milngavie, albeit not significant as all trains from Queen Street will use the low level platforms. Scotrail will shortly advise of changes to timetable

Action: A letter to EDC to be drafted regarding car parking, to include a request for MCC to be provided with the schedule of attendance of community wardens (MR)

AOCB

016 The Chair invited approval of Megan Apczynski as a member of the MCC, this was duly approved.

017 Members advised that a request had been received by the Secretary from 'World Peace Run', for information regarding the running of the event planned for 24th March 2016.

018 Members were advised that Councillor Gibbons would organise through EDC the repair of the noticeboard.

Action: Run to be advised to contact EDC with any questions relating to running the event (CD)
Noticeboard to be repaired (JG)

Next meeting scheduled in the Fraser Centre at 7.15pm on Wednesday 6th April 2016