



MILNGAVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MILNGAVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Held on Wednesday 6 February 2013 within the Fraser Centre at 7.30 p.m.

1. Present

Community Councillors – Fiona Risk, Joyce Kerr, Elizabeth Ireland, Norman Peacock, Michael Millerick, Jean Pentland, Anne Hunter, Neil Weir, Marianne Prentice, Callum Christie, Rona Hooper, Rona Miller, Donald Hamilton, Susan Lavrie.

2. In attendance

Cllr Gotts, Cllr Gibbons, Cllr Henry
Police Officers Natalie Chambers/ Jim McLean
Lon Edwards, Wilson Blakey, Margaret Gordon

3. Apologies

Caroline Diaz

4. Chairperson's Opening Remarks

FR discussed the fact that Caroline Diaz had proposed we had a stand alone meeting to discuss sports facilities. It was decided we would set aside time at the next meeting for this item.

FR also stated the MCC response to the EDC Primary Schools Improvement Programme proposals had been circulated to all members and submitted. She thanked everyone for their input. The matter would be discussed again after the Council decision which would be after 27th March.

5. Minutes of the Meeting of 9th January 2013

These were agreed by all present

6. Police Report

PC McLean reported no violent crime, no serious assaults although some common assaults. One arrest for possession of cannabis. Telephone box in precinct raided. No housebreakings. Three street drinkers. Few thefts.

From 35 crimes there were 17 detections and enquiries were still ongoing in a few cases.

7. Treasurer's Report

New Signatories have completed forms and await returns. There has been no action on accounts at the moment.

8. Matters Arising

MCC would make its usual contribution of £150 to Dragon Junior Chess Tournament. This will be held in Milngavie Town Hall, March 3rd 11-3. Could a member of the Council attend this event.

FR advised the planter in memory of Margaret Dunn would cost approx £700 and she would contact family to ask if a little plaque would be appropriate.

9. Town Centre Proposals

- a. FR will represent MCC on Milngavie BID steering group.
- b. Heritage Centre are holding a History Week 5th – 9th March 2013, various events are arranged including a “Fountains & Fields Exhibition”.
The Leisure & Culture trust have agreed to pay for any outgoings and volunteers are required to man activities during that week & set up on Monday 4th March.
- c. Public Toilets It has been agreed by the TC Steering Group that the Bunkhouse/ Toilets proposal was the preferred option with the BID as a back up.
- d. TPO Petition. It had taken some time to get all organisations to agree format.
Petitions & Maps will be distributed round shops & organisations. Volunteers would be reqd to collect signatures in Village.
- e. Fish Ladder & Walkway Signs FR will email ideas for MCC members agreement, Pamela McCreadie will help with a sign for Allander Walkway and it was suggested Ian Arnott may also help with this. The bus stop on Park Road should have WHW signage and type was discussed.

10. Planning

FR has received an email from the consultant to the applicant of proposed development at Highland Rd requesting the MCC objection be withdrawn as it is the only one. If it is not withdrawn it would entail the plans to go in front of the Planning Board. MCC felt there were concerns mainly over parking and it may be a good idea for the Planning Board to assess these issues therefore it was decided to uphold the objection.

Cross Keys application – change of use to Restaurant. Heritage Group & Civic Trust should have a look at existing features and old architecture and voice opinions.

21 Park Rd Solicitors Office – Application to extend existing office for more office space & residential above.

Waitrose, Kilmardinny & Tesco - no updates at present.

11. A.O.C.B.

1. Allander Champions Group – No news at present, it was suggested Richard Buxton should be invited to update us with latest.

It was also suggested a member of MCC should attend meetings of KWAG which consists of various resident associations & organisations in the area. Donald Hamilton agreed to be KWAG rep.

2. MCC Website an excellent website is now up and running thanks to John Edwards, this is much appreciated by MCC members. It was agreed to thank John with a gift of Wine to the value of £50.

It should be mentioned in local paper MCC now have a website for all to visit for information. It is important that residents should be able to access minutes of meetings etc. The website will have to be updated regularly. Members can put forward ideas for additions to the website.

3. Scottish Government information was made available – How you can make your community more resilient.

4. EDC Community Council Liaison Committee. This is to bring all Comm. Councils together with the ED Council sharing information and ideas.

Callum Christie & Marianne Prentice agreed to be reps from MCC.

5. Twenty Twenty Vision for Milngavie.

FR felt Milngavie should be a 'Destination' and promoted as such. Concerns involving Milngavie as a whole, concerns over planning, suggested school closures and anything that affects the area. Positive ideas need to be developed and a sub committee could be formed to address this and local organisations invited to attend. It would have a wider remit than the BID taking in the whole town & community to improve quality of life in Milngavie and work in parallel with the Council.

Volunteers to form this group – Neil Weir, Donald Hamilton, Fiona Risk, Michael Millerick, Callum Christie & Jean Pentland. Lon Edwards would like to represent We Like Milngavie.

6. Keep Scotland Beautiful – it was noted that grants were available to reduce the community's carbon footprint & improve local facilities.

7. Baldernock Road. There is a problem here with unacceptable amounts of water running down the road, freezing and causing school children & adults alike to walk down a busy road. Councillors agreed to look into this.

8. Alternative Solutions Group – This group is held in CE Centre café to assist youth into employment. Further information will be obtained by councillors.

Next Meeting 6th March 2013