



MILNGAVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minute of Milngavie Community Council: Wednesday 2 March 2022 at the Fraser Centre .

Present: Dr M Reynolds (Chair) E Crombie (minute) , A Ainslie , T Allan McIntyre , I McAllister, S Calderwood, Dr R Yarr, M Forbes.

Attendees : Cllr Gibbons , Constable Daniel Harris, Constable Emma Davidson.

Apologies: , J Winterbottom, Cllr Goodall , S Lister, C Diaz, D Nickson, L Edwards

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and said that regrettably J Winterbottom had resigned from the Community Council.

2. Previous Minute was agreed with the following amendments : **No 6.** The sum of £400 allocated by EDC for the purchase of a projector which was contained in the overall balance had been omitted.

No 7. The Milngavie Football Club will not have to move from Oakburn Park due to the cabins to be erected to temporarily house Milngavie Primary School as these will be put on the Blaise pitches and the football club cannot use these.

3. Matters arising from last minute: The community magazine and the Milngavie Herald had both printed an article about planned improvements to Lennox Park. 120 responses have been received and a deadline of 14th March has been set and then the group of 6 community organisations will meet to discuss. The noticeboard should be repaired soon when sturdier materials are identified .The current plastic screen is not robust enough. It was confirmed that the email contact details for getting information displayed on the board is up to date . Caroline is awaiting insurance quotes for the boards.

It was agreed that the draft MCC minutes should be displayed on the board two weeks after the meeting has taken place . Any amendments that are to be made to these after approval by MCC will be noted in the following months minutes.

It was noted that the Scottish Governments Consultation on Pavement Parking is complex to complete and will be off putting to many. The deadline for completion is 11th March.

Remote Access to MCC meetings should be facilitated and Martyn has made contact with the Chair of the Friends of Milngavie Reservoir to see what technology they are using.

Susan now has a login for the MCC website and can make changes.

The postponed MUG group had met. EDC has had a lot of staff turnover and any planned Jubilee Celebrations should be submitted as soon as possible.

LDP2 has only received minor information requests. The BID website has a report from Paige and Park on a vision for Milngavie which members were encouraged to look at.

Milngavie Week is planned for the beginning of June with a Classic Cars event amongst others.

The flood defences at Gavin's Mill have been working however there are some self-seeded trees on the bank opposite that should be removed . It was felt that landowners have a responsibility to take measures to reduce flooding risks however Gavin's Mill have had difficulty getting help from EDC . Roddy will get in touch with Gavin's Mill regarding this.

4. Climate Change Group: Roddy had resubmitted the application to the Scottish government and awaits a response.

5. Police Report : The Police report had been received by email. Concerns about some aspects surrounding Charlies Loft had been passed to the Police and they are actively working with the staff there to ensure all steps are taken to reduce any drug taking in the club. Speeding issues on the Glasgow Road beside West of Scotland grounds have been raised with the Wardens Team.

A concern was raised regarding the working practices at the house renovation on the Braehead Avenue near the junction with Campbell Avenue which is encroaching on the footpath and there are no cones . The Police will pass this to Wardens Service. A question was asked about a school alarm ringing for a considerable time and what to do . The Police said to contact them with any concerns about security.

6. Treasurers Report : There is £5,882.65 in the bank of which £676.82 is Open Spaces Funding and £400 grant from EDC for a projector. It was noted that the notice board repairs money should not come from Open Spaces. The Chair stated that EDC had contacted him by email and asked for a return of the £400 for the planned projector purchase. He was unsure why this has happened and Cllr Gibbons offered to speak to EDC to see what the position is.

W Blakey of the MCDT had asked if the £400 originally awarded to them for Milngavie Week which could not take place due to Covid was still available. It was agreed that this was the case and it was proposed that MCC would be pleased to receive an application for £400 to help to further fund this year's Milngavie Week .

It was noted that big improvements have been effected outside the Community Education Centre and bullrushes have been planted. The group wondered if MCC could contribute to further improvements e.g. a picnic bench and Tracey to speak to MCDT and Martyn to contact Gillian Telfer at EDC Street Scene to ask about match funding .

7. Councillors Report : The Council tax will rise by 3%. The 5 million for Milngavie Community projects is still allocated in the budget. It was reported that Cllr McGinnigle will not be standing in the forthcoming local elections. Many of the roads are in a poor condition as no capital works have taken place for some time. The underpass to Gavin's Mill is to be resurfaced and Dumgoyne Avenue also to be resurfaced.

There is £1m in the budget for affordable housing in Auchinairn and a hardship fund for private rental tenants has been set up as there was already assistance for Council tenants.

£1m has been allocated across EDC for active travel, flood risk mitigations and maintenance of paths and roads. It was suggested at the meeting that perhaps the share for Milngavie area could be used to improve the pathway between Dobbies and the Glasgow Road which is well used and in a very poor state.

Cllr Gibbons said that where there are concerns about overhanging hedges or trees that are creating a potential hazard that these should be passed to EDC and copied to him.

A question was asked about the gritting of road at entry to Douglas Academy. Cllr Gibbons felt that this would already be on the gritters planned route.

8. Mugdock Country Park Strategy : Iain had attended the presentation. They are aware that a big weakness is the lack of connectivity of transport . Iain stated that the presentation had been interesting and he was asked to pass the contact details for Gillian Smith the consultant to Martyn in order that she can be asked to the next MCC meeting.

A small Observatory building is being built on the edge of Mugdock Park in Stirlingshire land.

9. Planning : It was noted that the application for Breadie Avenue had been refused but would likely go to appeal. An application has been submitted to subdivide a plot at 151 Mugdock Road.

The meeting discussed general concerns about the quality and design of new builds in the area as they are not enhancing the built environment. More attention should be paid to this to conserve the appearance of the area. It was noted that the retirement flats built at the Fire Station were much more suited to an urban environment. MCC feel that the standards should be set higher by the planning authority.

10. AOCB : The Flightpath adjustment meeting could potentially mean that 20% of flights leaving Glasgow Airport in the morning will pass over Mains Estate to the Campsies between 6am and 10am.

11. Next Meeting : Wednesday 6th April at 7.15pm. Members of MCC to bring ideas to the meeting on how MCC can be involved in and contribute to Milngavie week this year.