

**STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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**MINUTES OF STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD ON;**

**MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> June 2012**

Item														
1	<b>MEMBERS PRESENT &amp; APOLOGIES</b>													
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3	<b>POLICE REPORT</b>	<b>Action</b>												
	<p>Sgt. Alan Court reported a decline in the number of recorded incidents from the previous month, down from 117 to 103. There was an ongoing inquiry into the fire at New Street. There had been some issues around the Gala Day and most of these were dealt with on the day. One call had been recorded in relation to Danmore House. There had been incidents in Patrickholm Avenue relating to vandalism and loud music. There had been a theft from a car. A Gala display had been vandalised on the eve of the Gala day. The police were aware on ongoing issues relating to underage drinking and were continuing to monitor it, and may again look to test purchasing. The issue of the 30mph limit on the Cander Bridge was discussed with most people in agreement that it was unnecessary. Elected members would seek further clarification.</p> <p>Sgt Court reported that the Police Office in Larkhall would not be available 24/7 and that after 7pm calls to the office would be diverted to Hamilton.</p> <p>The Chair expressed his satisfaction at the increased police presence in the village and commended Insp. Munro and his team stating that the increased presence was assisting in the reduction of incident statistics</p>													
2.	<b>PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>													
	Agreed by those present that they represented an accurate reflection of the meeting													
4.	<b>BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>													
	<b>The majority of business arising would be dealt with under the agenda item headings</b>													
5	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	<b>Action</b>												
	A list of correspondence had been circulated with the agenda and was available for inspection.													
6	<b>SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL</b>	<b>Action</b>												
6.1	<p><b>ROADS</b></p> <p>It was reported via an email from SLC roads that the problem with the Cander Bridge related to corrosion of the parapet. The cost of repairs would be £100,000 and would take from 8 to 10 weeks. Work would probably not start for another 6 weeks as tenders for the work were being considered. Cllrs would monitor progress. The condition of the roads in the village were discussed and it was agreed a further list of road repairs would be finalised and submitted to elected members and then submitted to SLC before the end of the year. The removal of a metal covering at Vicars Road was reported.</p> <p>Roads mentioned at meeting included: Millheught to Holm Farm, Partickholm Avenue to Cairnsmore drive, Sidehead Road, Caledonian Avenue., Murray side and Boghall Street.</p> <p>Some discussion took place on the inspection of repairs and re-instatements and that less than 10% were checked.</p>	Cllrs Campbell Dorman												

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6.2	<b>PLANNING</b>	
	<p>There was no update on the licence application for the Buckshead. The condition of the Black Bull was raised, particularly in relation to the exterior wall. It was agreed the matter should be take with SLC. Elected members would look at <b>Local Plan</b></p> <p>The Local Plan covering the next five years had been issued for consultation. There was very little directly about Stonehouse. The CC had met with some of the Cllrs to discuss a variety of issues. The CC would attempt to get some of their proposals into the Plan. It was agreed to try and get houses built around West Mains to the by pass – re-designate some areas from housing to leisure/retail - develop a plan for cycle paths – look at future of Public Hall and Institute with regards mixed retail and housing. It was also agreed that the CC try to determine the status of existing planning applications in the village. The issue of waste management and recycling was discussed, particularly in relation to the proposed development at Dovesdale</p>	
7	<b>HEALTH MATTERS</b>	
7.1	<p><b>Xray/Clinics</b></p> <p>A meeting was schedule with Lanarkshire Health Board and Mgt. McCulloch MSP and representatives of the CC for Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. A report would be made to the next meeting in August.</p>	
8	<b>UTILITIES</b>	
	Nothing to report, although it should be m3entioned that road diversion signs be removed. Need to establish whose they are first.	
9	<b>TRANSPORT</b>	
	<b>No issues raised</b>	
10	<b>REPORTs</b>	
	<b>Treasurer No report, has been ill</b>	
	<p><b>Elected Members</b></p> <p>Cllr Dorman reported on the work done to prepare for the Gala Day. The plastic bins in the Alexander Hamilton Park had been set on fire and were now to be replaced with metal bins. The lack of dog bins in Murray Drive was noted.</p>	
10	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p>The issue regarding responses from Cllrs to the operating licence for Dovesdale was raised. The Cllrs present had all made a response but the position of Cllr Cooper had still to be ascertained as at last meeting Cllr Cooper advised she would check her notes.The Chair encouraged everyone to contribute to the CC Facebook site.</p>	
11	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p><b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August at Stonehouse Lifestyles 7.30pm</b></p>	