

STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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**MINUTES OF STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING - HELD ON;
MONDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2013**

Item				
1	MEMBERS PRESENT & APOLOGIES			
	In attendance		Apologies	
	G. Smith	R. Freel	W. Mackie, B. Grant	G Haddow Cllr Holman
	S Montgomery	M. Casey J Hewart	Cllr Cooper	R. Craig
	Cllr Dorman, Cllr Campbell and 27 members of the public were in attendance. Co-opted and nominated members S. Montgomery and J. Hewart were also present. Chairman G. Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting.			
2	PREVIOUS MINUTES			Action
	The Minutes were agreed by those present as being a true reflection of the meeting			
3	POLICE REPORT			Action
	No Police in attendance			.
4	MATTERS ARISING			
	Would be dealt with under the appropriate agenda item.			
5	CORRESPONDENCE			Action
	<p>A list of all correspondence received was circulated with copies of minutes , agenda and councillor Coopers report. Secretary outlined the Notice of procession applications none relating to Stonehouse.</p> <p>A number of emails were received and exchanged by the community council details on the correspondence list. Main items were consultation on Criminal Justice system including event. Consultation on the move of the Post Office. Following discussion on this item it was agreed that the community council would not be contesting this as a . Similar level of service was being offered.</p> <p>Email from M Armstrong regards Public Liability Insurance for community council. Agreed that we take out insurance and send cheque for 85.00 to Margaret Armstrong. Two letters from local groups (Gala group & Heritage Group) seeking CC to take out adverts in their programme & newsletters. Agreed that CC would do this as it communicated our details to the community. Same amounts as previous year. Secretary thought that this was 60.00.</p> <p>The Chair had received an invite from Falck Renewables regards Browncastle windfarm to attend an evening with Browncastle liasion group.</p>			
6	SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL			
6.1	Roads			
	<p>Secretary advised on the email received from Cllr Dorman regards bollards adjacent to Co-op. These would be fitted in due course dependant on weather as SLC does not regard this as "safety critical." SLC also advised no requirement at bakers for bollards. Discussion again on standard of the repairs. Members of public urged to contact council or councillors if not happy with repairs. Cllr Dorman informed that the road in front of Cander Avon Home would be repaired.</p> <p>A. Clark commented on 2 large potholes in Angle Street.</p>			

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6.2	Planning & Licence Applications. No items discussed	
6.3	Local Plan: No items discussed.	
6.4	4/5 THE CROSS The Chair gave a detailed report on progress since the last meeting. Two meetings had been held with the development trust . One meeting with SLC estates department Joanne Forbes and one with Banks development. Banks had turned down grant application due to it being for running costs. Chair gave an update on meeting with Joanne Forbes and the councils push towards having a community trust. No details on the running costs were provided although it is thought to be around 8000 pounds. The meetings that chair had organised were held without any of the elected politicians as he felt that the elected members or their parties had elected to close the hall although Cllr Campbell had not. George smith intimated that he had spoken to Kenny Lean and chris parkin of SLC regards funding and that he had also applied to Weir foundation regards possible sourcing funds A draft joint letter from the development trust had been received which outlined in general terms requirement of the community council and the development trust working together. John Young provided an update from the Development trust perspective indicating that they had also met with Joanne Forbes and that the council had intimated that the hall could be leased for 1.00. there was no need to set up a new trust and the development trust would be more than able to take on the lease and running of the hall. Again Utilities and costs were not known. The trust had surveyed the building but John was not aware of the results however Liz Ditchburn was looking at possible sources of funding.. John intimated that the community council would be required to sign up to the lease by the end of the week. Some debate on the signing of a lease continued with community council stating that they were not aware of any date being set for the lease to be signed. John provided an overview of the potential of the building for the community and that he was aware of a group prepared to pay around 2000 for a room rent for a year. Some concern was raised by a member of the public (Mr Clark) that the organisations should be working together for the good of the community. Chair intimated that was what The community council were doing however they were not aware of a lease to be signed by the end of the week. Mr Anderson stated that he attended a meeting of the council and voiced concerns that Mr McAvoy(SLC council Leader) had stated that no Day centres were closing however the Stonehouse hall was listed as a day centre on the outside wall. Mr Anderson had spoken to the press regards this matter. The senior citizens AGM was in the following week.	
7	HEALTH MATTERS:	
6.1	TREATMENT CLINIC No update, however the minutes of the previous meeting were provided to the community council	
8	UTILITIES No reports although street Lights were reported as being out on Hill Road, Vickers Road and well brae. Cllr Dorman was progressing this. Gas pipe laying was also planned for Partickholm Avenue.	
9	TRANSPORT No Issues raised	
10	REPORTS	
10.1	ELECTED MEMBERS Cllr coopers report was circulated with the minutes, around 35 copies were available plus report was available on the community council website. Cllr Dorman also reported a fence at Patrickholm Avenue which has been down for at least 3 weeks. Cllr Dorman agreed to pursue this matter.	

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10.2	TREASURER No balance was reported however the secretary had presented an expenses sheet to the treasurer for items already agreed to be purchased in previous minutes. The breakdown of the expenditure was Postage: 5.68 Ink Cartridges (colour and black and white)55.60, Paper 12.00 Poppy wreath for remembrance Sunday from British Legion 30.00 and anti-virus and malware software at 17.53. It was also agreed previously (under correspondence) that adverts would be taken out in the Gala Groups programme and the Heritage groups Newsletters, as well as the community council taking out public liability insurance at a cost of 85.00. A cheque would be sent off to Margaret Armstrong.	
11	FACEBOOK	
	Chair had posted details of the Post Office consultation on the facebook page and also on the website. No reports of abuse on the site	
12	POST OFFICE	
	No objections from those present at the meeting to the move and it was agreed that the community council would not oppose this	
11	AOCB The Chair reported on a letter received from the Brighter Village group regards putting structures on the roundabouts as you enter the village. John Young advised that it could be structural or visual by planting. Secretary intimated that the council had opposed this before. John advised that the council were reconsidering their position on this. If anyone had any ideas on the structures they should contact the brighter village group, email j.makut@icloud.com	
12	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	Monday 18th March Stonehouse Lifestyles 7.30pm	