

<p>STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL (www.community-council.org.uk/stonehousecommunitycouncil) Chairman: George Smith, 6 Naismith Court, Stonehouse. Email: georgepm244@aol.com Secretary: Robert Freel, 75 Lockhart Street, Stonehouse. Email: robfreel@btinternet.com</p>

**MINUTES OF STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
- HELD ON MONDAY JUNE 19 2017**

1	MEMBERS PRESENT & APOLOGIES			
	In attendance		Apologies	
	G. Smith	R Freel	R Craig	S Montgomery
	J Robb	Cllrs Dorman and Campbell	S Irons	
	Seven members of the public were in attendance. Unfortunately the meeting failed to meet the required numbers to form a quorum for decisions however Chair decided that we should proceed with the meeting and any items requiring a decision would be carried forward to next meeting.			
2	PREVIOUS MINUTES			Action
	The previous Minutes were circulated . Chairman intimated that an amendment was required under section 6 South Lanarkshire Council paragraph 2. Minute should read cllr Dorman was asked if she would confirm her commitment given at the hustings meeting to supporting development in the village and this was agreed.			
3	POLICE REPORT			Action
	<p>PC Stevie Lowrie attended the meeting and apologised for PC Lorna Hinshelwood being unable to attend. PC Lowrie advised that it was himself and Lorna who covered Stonehouse but also covered surrounding areas like Ashgill, Chatelherault. He also advised there had been 117 calls between 19 May and 19 June. There had been 13 crime reports of which 8 had been detected. There had been a few parking issues, road traffic offences, a minor breach of the peach however no reports of vandalism or assaults.</p> <p>Regarding the problem with youths congregating in the Public Park, the Police advised they are working hard to sort out the problem in the village and are working closely with Whitelaw’s buses as most of the youths are from outside the village and they tend to move between Strathaven, Larkhall and Stonehouse.</p> <p>The Police have been on a number of the buses leaving the village to different locations to help keep the youths under control. Underage drinking was discussed and PC Lowrie advised that Twenty five (25) parental letters have been sent out to parents regarding anti-social behaviour by youths on the buses. These letters purely highlight to parents that their children were interviewed by police however no follow up is done by the police. PC’s Hinshelwood and Lowrie are being trained on the use of speed cameras which can be used as required in and around the village.</p> <p>Secretary asked about holiday cover when PC Hinshelwood was on holiday and advised that Sgt McLeish had covered some holiday shifts. Members of public were reminded to call 101 to log and raise concerns.</p>			
4	BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES			
	No matters arising. Any matters arising would be dealt with throughout the meeting.			
5	CORRESPONDENCE			
	The Secretary went through the details of correspondence received and outgoing and a list of all correspondence had been circulated with each copy of the Minutes. Secretary reminded everyone they could view correspondence if they wished at the end of the meeting.			



6	SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL	
6.1	<p>ROADS</p> <p>M74 and Raith Interchange now completed and open but still three months behind original schedule date. Previous minutes intimated that a letter would be sent however this was not done as the road opened up the Wednesday following the last meeting. Reported that MSP Christina McKelvie responded to minute</p>	Chair
6.2	<p>PLANNING</p> <p>It was reported that Retrospective Planning permission had been given to Bow Wow Doggy Care and Community Council are hoping to have a meeting with Planning on the whole aspect of retrospective planning permissions within the village. Chair will organise this meeting. Again need to understand how common this is. A FOI could be used. No decision yet regarding static caravan in the side garden of a house in Lockhart street (Meadowside) in Lockhart Street.</p> <p>A Planning Application lodged for removal of a Section 50 at East Mains Farm. The Midden area. The planning for this area was approved in 2016</p> <p>Cllr Dorman advised that Planning may go back to Area Committees. Planning committee meet every month and Area committee meet every two months.</p> <p>SLC are still awaiting the Developer's section 75 contribution for the land next to Persimmon Homes site where work has been halted at the moment. This is the site being accessed from the roundabout at the garage.</p>	
6.3	<p>OTHER SLC ISSUES & SLLC</p> <p>Weed control: Chair reported that on speaking to a member of the public he advised that weed spraying has fallen behind in Stonehouse and the Community Council will write to Land Services to find out what exactly the programme for spraying is and how frequent this should be carried out.</p> <p>Regarding previous months complaints about Murray Drive and Crow Road re the misuse of weedkiller on the grass verges, SLC did write back and advise that the spraying was a little over zealous and this issue should now be addressed.</p> <p>Water Tap: Secretary reported that the water tap when he was in Manse Road cemetery a few weeks back had burst and Cllr Dorman agreed to check this out. However it was reported that it may have been fixed. The weeds at the road leading into the Glebe Cemetery were reported to be very high and unsightly, and elected members were asked if this could be checked out.</p> <p>Hedge: The hedge below the main entrance to the Public Park is causing problems and requires to be cut down a little. Responsibility lies with SLC although local farmer had cut it previously.</p> <p>Burnt out building: Cllr Dorman also advised the meeting that a Structural Report had been requested by SLC Building Control Officer in respect of the burnt out building in New Street but nothing has come back as yet. When asked if they had not already had this it was reported this is a further report. Cllr Dorman will advise on this</p> <p>Cllr Campbell advised that Leisure and Culture had been present at Lifestyles to test the Wi-Fi on lap tops and tablets reporting back that there were issues. They are now going to prioritise repairs due to it constantly being down.</p>	

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7	HEALTH MATTERS	
	No issues arising.	
8	UTILITIES	
	No matters arising	
9	TRANSPORT	
	No matters arising	
10	REPORTS	
10.1	Elected Members Cllr Dorman advised she is now the Deputy Chair for Planning and Community Enterprise and also sits on the Lanarkshire Valuation Joint Board committee. Cllr Dorman advised that a Petitions Committee is being discussed at the moment and further details to follow. Cllr Dorman also advised the meeting that a Structural Report had been requested by SLC Building Control Officer in respect of the burnt out building in New Street but nothing has come back as yet. When asked if they had not already had this it was reported this is a further report. Cllr Dorman will advise on this Cllr Campbell advised he is on several committees including Corporate, Social Work, Housing, Scrutiny Forum, NHS Lanarkshire and Council and is Chair of Risk and Audit. Cllr Campbell is hoping to set up a Stonehouse Campaign Action Group to try and deliver a Secondary School for Stonehouse. He is also leading a working group on Local Agenda.	
10.2	Treasurer No Report available as Sharon was not in attendance	
11	FACEBOOK	
	Continues to be used.	
12	AOCB	
	The issue of fly tipping in the back roads was again raised and Cllr Dorman advised she is trying to work with Organisations like SEPA and councils Environmental to combat fly tipping around the village It was reported by Chair that there will be no July Meeting due to holiday period	
	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting will be held at Lifestyles on Monday 21 August 2017 at 7.30.pm.	