

STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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NOTE OF ZOOM MEETING OF COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS HELD ON 15-02-2021

1 MEMBERS PRESENT & APOLOGIES	
In Attendance	Apologies
G Smith, R Freel, R Craig, N Wood, K Gallacher, S Montgomery, Y Gardiner	
<p>Chair George Smith welcomed all to our virtual meeting and indicated that the community council had a few issues to discuss.</p> <p><u>Micro Grants</u> Following a series of notices in Facebook and emails being issued to a number of groups who have not applied for a micro grant three applications had been received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Application from Scout and guide hall committee who manage the scout hall and wished to purchase kitchen equipment to allow more groups to be able to use the hall when it re-opened. b) Application from Stonehouse Scouts to cover planning application costs for a portacabin at Avondyke. c) Friends of Stonehouse park, speculative application if no groups came forward this financial year. For Frisbee baskets at old putting green. <p>Following discussion it was agreed that the application from Scout and guide hall committee be approved. The application from Stonehouse scouts be held until further information is obtained on the land at Avondyke which has a planning application currently lodged to build a house. Friends of Stonehouse park be held until we establish if any groups not having received a grant before apply.</p> <p><u>Avondyke Scout Training centre Planning Application</u> Secretary advised that an application had been made to build a house on the land that was formerly a training centre. Much speculation had been made on Facebook about the land being gifted to Stonehouse scouts and that local scout groups had not been aware of the planning application. Agreed that the CC make enquires to establish what was happening with the land and also to speak with Clyde scout group regards the plans for the remainder of the land which would be land locked with no entrance if the application went ahead. Once this information was received the CC would make a decision on whether to object to the planning application and agree on the micro grant application for planning application to site for portacabin. Noted that application will be either green belt or brownbelt.</p> <p><u>Village / community Plan</u></p> <p>Chair updated the Cc on the progress of the community plan. The results of the survey were now being used to formulate the plan and it was hoped that a draft interim report be available at the start of March with the aim to have the plan available by 1st April. Part of the survey covered the service of the GP practice and it was agreed to share this with the practice. Chair will organise to do this. Lots of comments were made on the various questions and these will have to be filtered and grouped into categories.</p>	
	<p>Action</p> <p>Chair / sect.</p> <p>Chair.</p>

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<p><u>Overwood PAN Notice for ERF</u></p> <p>The CC discussed the recent PAN notice published on 29th January 2021 and what actions could be taken. As the application was not lodged It was agreed that we would seek further information from various sources to try and get a full picture of the events that were happening regards ERF facilities. It would appear that this plant would be a sister plant to the one that started operating at Dunbar in 2019 and East Lothian council, SEPA, and the community councils in this area would be contacted to establish information.</p> <p>Chair advised that Councillor Campbell had also asked questions of SLC with regards why land owned by them was not being used.</p> <p>Letter of introduction and the detail of the proposed PAN were also discussed, with the possibility of obtaining more information from Viridor. Secretary to explore.</p> <p>Agreed that we could not make a decision on this at the moment as no planning application was lodged and that we would continue to gather information and post it onto the website when it was made available.</p> <p>Website</p> <p>It had been agreed via an email circulated between members that the Website be upgraded and the secretary had moved on this by organising a domain name for the group and the current hosts "Spanglefish" Plexus media would move us to the latest version and the additional cost would be picked up by the CC. the cost would be pro rata to take account of our current membership. Anticipated that cost will be around £78-88 per annum. The CC had also purchased the domain name for three years at a cost of £25.20.</p> <p>Part of the information already held had been moved over and profiles for all members had still to be added. Members were asked to check over the site and comment back on changes required. Secretary advised that files and folders were easier to manage within the new version however creating new pages and blocks was slightly trickier but would become easier as it was used. Old links will also have to be checked as they may not work</p> <p>Members were asked to note the following;</p> <p><u>Gritting email from Iain Dow.</u></p> <p>Secretary had responded to this following email being circulated to members.</p> <p><u>Vaccination Centre</u></p> <p>Chair reported on the opening of the lifestyles and the confusion between some members having to go to Lesmahagow as the centre was not open.</p> <p>The connect 2 work fund was discussed with some questions posed by member Keith Gallacher. Chair will follow up on these.</p> <p>Twining email from COSLA / council will be held over for a further discussion</p>	Sect.
<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 15th MARCH 2021</p>	