

STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**(www.community-council.org.uk/stonehousecommunitycouncil)**

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**MINUTES OF STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2022**

Item		
1	MEMBERS PRESENT & APOLOGIES	
	In attendance	Apologies
	G. Smith, R .Freel, R .Craig, N Wood, Y. Gardiner,	S Montgomery, K. Gallacher
	18 members of the public were in attendance in addition Cllr E Frame. Following the AGM new Chair Robert Craig thanked everyone for staying on after the AGM and stated that it was good to have a good turnout on such a cold winter's night.	
2	PREVIOUS MINUTES	Action
	The minutes were issued and no objections received and were duly accepted as being an accurate record of the meeting.	
3	POLICE REPORT	Action
	No members of Police Scotland were in attendance although minutes and agenda had been issued.	
4	BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES	
	Any matters arising would be dealt with through the agenda items	
5	CORRESPONDENCE	
	Secretary read out the response from South Lanarkshire leisure regards the items raised at the October meeting. Whilst some of the issues were address some were vague. The following is a summary: The cafe will not be reopened at this present time however they are looking into restating the vending machine. Charges for the hall have had an increase of 3% which is the same all over the region. The library closure is temporary due to staffing issues. Children services will continue to be a Friday morning and afternoon. The IT suit will only open on a Friday. On hall lets a member of the public asked if the CC could establish if any discounts were available for registered charities or how they treated registered charities. Social work is returning but not fully operational. The council were operating a warm welcome policy and groups who opened up their meetings to non-members would be entitled to free lets.	
6	SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL	Action
	Roads Scottish Water had advised that Townhead street would open back up on 5 th December. Hill road was mentioned as a road requiring attention as was overhanging trees on Strathaven road at new field gardens. Pavements on Caledonian avenue and Eastmain's were reported as requiring attention. This will be raised by CC and Cllr Frame.	CC.

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	<p>Signs and trees around them on entrance to village required attention also. One more wind turbine was due to come through the village and then roundabouts would be re-instated although discussion ongoing with SLC roads as to whether they be left for further turbine movements.</p> <p><u>Kear Campus SEBN Replacement School Update</u></p> <p>The chairman informed the meeting that members of the community council met with Vance Sinclair the project manager responsible for putting the grant bid together and Neil Govan the current headmaster of Kear campus. From the discussions it evident that a need for such a campus was required and an overview of the types of pupils it served was provided. The main decision maker for it being proposed for Stonehouse was its location to motorway and rural setting. No decision has been made on this until the outcome of the grant bid has decided and if successful a series of public consultations would take part in Stonehouse and with parents and teachers in the existing campus. There followed some discussions on the subject with members of public present. No transport study has been carried out and further land investigations would be required. Secretary also reported that the CC had sought land reports carried out at the time of the lifestyles build however SLC could not locate the reports although they have the minute reporting the fact they had been carried out.</p> <p>Chair intimated that it was likely that a meeting could be held in January whereby a question and answer session could take place. Encouraging from the meeting that it was not all negative feelings about this proposal.</p> <p>CLlr Frame confirmed that this corresponded with her discussions</p> <p>SLC No other issues raised</p> <p>SLLC Was covered under the correspondence section when letter was read out.</p>	
7	HEALTH MATTERS	
	<p>No issues raised. The NHS is carrying out an ear cleaning service at Larkhall clinic. Stonehouse Hospital is carrying out phlebotomy, audio and physio services. Secretary to write and obtain full list of services being provided.</p>	Sect
8	UTILITIES	
	<p>No issues on Electricity or gas, water board had confirmed Townhead street would reopen on 5th December however Vickers road would close for a short period</p>	
9	TRANSPORT	
	<p>No issued raised, although the new 3 C Glasgow service was praised.</p>	
10	REPORTS	
	<p>Elected Members: CLlr Frame had nothing to add to her input throughout the meeting</p>	

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	<p>Treasurer Same report as AGM</p> <p>Treasurer Sharon Montgomery was not present however had provided a report to the secretary and he proceeded to give a summary of the accounts. 28th March the closing balance was £3454.04 with 3 cheques still to be presented to banks for clearance. (FOSP £500, Mother and Toddlers Group £5200, Web hosting of £78. At the last meeting the balance was sitting at £8801.61 which included the new admin grant of £349.57, £4998 for Micro grants. Expenditure was £143.88 for zoom subscription, £38.00 for poppy wreath Current balance £8619.73.</p>	
11	MICRO GRANTS	
	<p>Four applications had been received and these were all agreed: Avondale Beekeepers: Equipment Brighter village: Shed for tool storage Trust jack foundation: Equipment Stonehouse heritage group: New printer. Agreed that contact would be made with local groups and they would be encouraged to apply.</p>	
12	AOCB	
	<p>A question was received as to why only two swings were in place at the top of the park. Some discussion on this matter and contact would be made with FOSP to find out if they had any plans for additional swings.</p> <p>Chair reported that the CC were investigating the possibility of electric bike loans within the village and had an introductory meeting with Healthy Valleys. George Smith Vice chair will lead on this.</p> <p>Reported that a break-in had occurred in Murray Drive</p>	
	<p>Meeting closed at 9.00pm with next meeting being third Monday in January 2023. (16th)</p>	