

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

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MINUTES OF STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**HELD ON MONDAY 16th JANUARY 2023**

| Item | | |
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| 1 | MEMBERS PRESENT & APOLOGIES | |
| | In attendance | Apologies |
| | R .Craig, G. Smith, R .Freel, N Wood, | S Montgomery, K. Gallacher Y. Gardiner, |
| | 10 members of the public were in attendance as was Sgt McDonald from Police Scotland. Chair Robert Craig thanked everyone for turning out 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 |
| | <p>Sgt Stewart McDonald of Police Scotland gave his report which took into account the dates from 16th December 2022 to 16th January 2023. There were 91 incidents reported to the police. 19 crime reports were raised, 7 were detected, 11 under enquiry and one still under investigation.</p> <p>Local officers have been busy helping the other emergency services along with undertaking night shifts in high visibility or in plain clothes. He went on to explain that they have increased their social media to include Facebook and Twitter. They have contacted the elected members and are planning to undertake joint surgeries.</p> <p>Speed gun training has also taken place within the force during this time.</p> <p>The roads manager has been contacted about the road at Canderside Toll. SLC was going to carry out work at the above mentioned location however with the winter weather it has been delayed till March due to possible failure of the surface to be put down.</p> <p>Sgt McDonald had some statistics for the A71 road at Canderside and explained the difficulties of trying to extract the figures due to methods used for recording the area as it covers five beats. In the last 6 months 8 collisions had taken place and he was trying to establish a comparison against other large junctions.</p> <p>The Community Council prior to this meeting had asked for 3 years of statistics for this stretch of road and in reply he said that it is taking some time to collate as it's a lot of data to be sourced. As soon as he has them, they will be provided to CC.</p> <p>He advised that SLC were more interested in injury statistics.</p> <p>A member of the meeting asked about the electric scooters that are around the village. He stated that he has had a number of near misses with this scooter and he is trying to get the incidents on his dash cam. In response Sgt Mcdonald advised they have seized one scooter so far and were still trying to locate others however they need to catch then on the scooters.</p> | |

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| | Members of the public also reported that doors were being chapped in McLean Gardens and reports in Manse Road of people opening gates to let the horses out. PC McDonald asked if the contact information could be passed to him and suggested that the gate be secured by a bicycle lock or chain in the meantime. No further questions and PC McDonald left the meeting. | |
| 4 | BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES | |
| | Any matters arising would be dealt with through the agenda items | |
| 5 | CORRESPONDENCE | |
| | Robert Freel advised that correspondence had been given to the Community Council about a family using food banks in the village however as this is an individual case we are unable to take this on board. Information raised at previous meeting has been passed on to SLC roads regarding faulty signage and road surface at the bypass roundabouts. There has also been information passed to the Community Council about the delay in reinstating the roundabouts to their original state. The roundabouts are going to stay the way they are at the moment due to more turbine blades coming through for delivery to Darvel area. These will however be reinstated when all turbines have been delivered. The CC has written to the roads department manager about setting up a meeting to discuss the road at Canderside Toll. | |
| 6 | SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL | Action |
| | Roads Reported that there are a number of roads and pavements that are in disrepair. Udstonmill, Glen Ave,. It is thought that a spreadsheet could be put together with a list of all pot holes on the roads and pavements. The roads provided at the meeting would be added to the spreadsheet. This will be given to the council to make them aware of these dangers and claims could be made if there is a failure to fix them with knowledge that the pot holes are there. The meeting was reminded that we all could go online and report the pot holes making the council aware of these. A member of the meeting highlighted that in Crow road there is a sunken drain along with a caravan which is making it hard to pass. Planning Applications No major applications, only house extensions etc. Update on Kear Campus SEBN Replacement School Update As per correspondence. An email was received advising that the Scottish Govt. had delayed the decision until the end of January 2023 Another other SLC Issues A member of the meeting asked if housing department would consider fitting security cameras in McLean Gardens to help eradicate the chapping of doors. The CC will drop an email to Elected members. SLLC Issues No issues | Sect Elected Members |

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| 7 | HEALTH MATTERS | |
| | A member of the meeting asked why the Drs surgery had the heating on 24/7 and who is paying for it to be on for this length of time. It was established that it would most likely come under the running cost of the surgery. | |
| 8 | UTILITIES | |
| | It was reported that Scottish Water (SW) has not reinstated the road to a high standard and that the reinstatement area was sinking. It was agreed that Sect. write to SW to establish if the road is completed or is this temporary measure. | Secretary |
| 9 | TRANSPORT | |
| | The meeting was disappointed to hear that the C3 bus from Strathaven to Glasgow is not going through the village due to a window broken by vandals. | |
| 10 | REPORTS | |
| | Elected Members: No Report Treasurer Secretary read out a report advising that since the last meeting three micro grant cheques of £500 each have been presented leaving a balance of £7119.73. One still to be presented. It was also agreed that secretary can purchase cartridges for printer. | |
| 11 | AOB | |
| | Micro Grants Three applications had been received and these were all agreed: Stonehouse Primary Pre 5 Room: Outdoor wear Stonehouse Senior citizens pavilion : Dance Stonehouse Old folks Welfare Committee : social afternoons Secretary will issue cheques to applicants | Sect |
| 12 | AOCB | |
| | It has been noticed that a number of street lights are out in the village especially in the Spinningdale area. An update was given on the E Bike project. The vice Chairperson got in contact with the Happy Valley's team about getting the bikes however the funding is closed for just now. To overcome this issue an application could be made to use wind farm money to fund this project. Visits are taking place to enquire what is needed to start and maintain this project in relation to storage and administration. A report will be given at the next meeting. A meeting member commented on the road to the Glebe cemetery stating how narrow it was with overgrown hedges. Another member discussed the grit bins, and were they going to get filled? Watt Court was the area. | Sect/ vice Chair |
| | Meeting closed at 8.35 with next meeting being third Monday in February 20 th . | |