

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

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**MINUTES OF STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING****HELD ON Monday 18th March 2024**

Item			
<b>1</b>	<b>MEMBERS PRESENT &amp; APOLOGIES</b>		
	In Attendance	Apologies	
	R Craig, G Smith, R Freel, N Steele	S. Montgomery, Y. Gardiner and K. Gallacher. Cllr E Frame	
	13 members of the public were in attendance. Chair R Craig thanked everyone for coming.		
<b>2</b>	<b>PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>		<b>Action</b>
	Notes of the previous meeting were issued to those in attendance and no objections received and were duly accepted as being an accurate record of the meeting.		
<b>3</b>	<b>POLICE REPORT</b>		<b>Action</b>
	<p>Police were not in attendance however sent a report through Email.</p> <p>It read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 91 Incidents were reported which included crime and lost property.</li> <li>● Inspector Tony Gallagher has recently retired from his post. Inspector Kenny MacRobert is his replacement.</li> <li>● The police are hoping to run a joint action plan with road traffic in the near future.</li> <li>● The police have contacted elected members to build a picture of current and potential problematic areas in respect of driving and parking.</li> <li>● Discussions are in place with having a Thursday night surgery at the lifestyles.</li> <li>● The breakdown of incidents from February were 12 calls to assist public 10 calls involving vehicles, 5 calls regards dishonesty, 3 public nuisance and 2 fires.</li> </ul> <p>It was suggested at our last meeting we should invite the police to the next meeting to speak about the drop in session and to consult on other issues they are unable to do this as the community police days off are on a Monday.</p> <p>A meeting will be arranged with the new Inspector and a breakdown of the March incidents will be obtained.</p>		sect
<b>4</b>	<b>BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>		
	Any matters arising would be dealt with through the agenda items.		
<b>5</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Response to road issues reported at previous meeting were read out</li> <li>● The Men Shed sent a thank you for the recent grant they received.</li> <li>● Parking enforcement advised on blue badges, which can be used on any vehicle and they will look to vary days for attending at Stonehouse. Will raise issue of fixed time stays in Car parks. Pavement parking is subject to a consultancy report to examine roads which could be exempt.</li> </ul>		

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6	SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL	
6.1	<p><b><u>Roads</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Violet Crescent pot hole has been patched</li> <li>• union street has been instructed to be fixed</li> <li>• No further work has been instructed for no further work</li> <li>• The drain at Cots castle was not seen.</li> <li>• Pavements at Sidehead Road near the school are very slippery due to leaves not being addressed when they fell off the trees in the Autumn.</li> <li>• The cars are going at a fast speed around the bru area.</li> <li>• The pot holes at the Co op car park are a housing department issue which they will raise with the road department.</li> </ul>	
6.2	<p><b><u>Planning.</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Brew Barn soft play area has had to close while they obtain a new obscure event licence. All agreed this was unfair. With the assistance of the community council and Cllr Frame the 2 new licences have been applied for. Having the Brew barn in the village it has secured 26 new jobs in the area along with giving free sessions for ASN children and local nursery children. They have plans to expand this area further with a new park.</li> <li>• G Smith and R Craig will set up a meeting with planning director</li> </ul>	G Smith
6.3	<p><b><u>Update on Kear Campus.</u></b>          No funding is available at the moment for this project.</p>	
6.4	<p><b><u>Community Asset Transfer from SLC</u></b>          We will speak to Clydesdale rugby club and the Royal Albert football club about a joint venture with the pitches.          FOSP - have an agreement in principle for the pavilion however the plans need to be looked at again with regards access to electrical areas. CC are assisting with a windfarm grant application          Canderavon could be an asset transfer. The Community Council have put in a note of interest and will get notified of any changes.</p>	G Smith
6.5	<p><b><u>Any other SLC issues</u></b>          No issues arising</p>	
6.6	<p><b><u>SLLC Issues</u></b>          The cost of a gym membership has been increased.</p>	
6.7	<p><b><u>School transport distance for free transport</u></b>          No details received on school transport distance, hoped that Elected members will attend to provide update on budget.</p>	
7	HEALTH MATTERS	Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No numbers of missed appointments have been given by the surgery this month.</li> <li>• There have been no app appointments available for a few weeks</li> <li>• People are waiting weeks for medication at Boots; they are not keeping stock for prescriptions.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>It was also brought to the attention of the meeting that a lady had taken unwell over at the Trust Jack premises. It looked like she was taking a stroke. Someone from the premises ran over to the surgery to get help. She was told by the receptionist that they couldn't help as the lady who had taken unwell was not registered with the surgery. This will be looked into by the community council.</li></ul>	<b>G Smith</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>UTILITIES</b>	
	No issues.	
<b>9</b>	<b>TRANSPORT</b>	
	No matters arising.	
<b>10</b>	<b>REPORTS</b>	
	<p><b>Elected Members:</b> No members at the meeting. Hoped that some members will attend to provide a budget update.</p> <p><b>Treasurer report:</b> Secretary read out a report from the treasurer. Balance on 30<sup>th</sup> January was £5001.85 Two micro grant cheques cleared for £500 each plus £12 for domain name Balance as at 26<sup>th</sup> February £3989.85. Advert for Gala programme agreed but will be paid after 1<sup>st</sup> April.</p>	
<b>11</b>	<b>AOCB</b>	
	<p><b><u>Community Action Plan</u></b> A full consultative exercise will be undertaken starting with a questionnaire Survey asking questions on different themes around the village this will be followed by a drop in sessions and meetings with various local organisations. An independent organisation engaged by CC is undertaking this and they will collate questions into a report to form an action plan and local place plan. Hard copy questionnaires are available from library</p> <p><b><u>Kypemuir Open Day</u></b> There is an open day regarding Kypemuir and the projects it has supported. This is in Blackwood on the 23/3/2024 from 10 - 2pm.</p> <p><b><u>Grants</u></b> Newfield primary Nursery has asked for a grant for planting equipment, to enable the children to be self-sufficient in the garden. The business association have asked for a grant for 10 stalls to help with setup and the running of a farmers market. Some discussion from those in attendance about previous markets and viability.</p>	
	Meeting closed at 8.15pm with the next meeting being held on the third Monday of April (15th)	