

Lesmahagow Community Council

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Minutes of AGM held on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> of January 2022

1. Present

Catriona Arthur-Inch (Co-Secretary), Jim Tague (Chairman), Ailsa Lorimer (Co-Secretary). Mark Waugh (Treasurer), Margaret Craw (Stand-in-chair), Gary Hillan, James Brownlee and Councillor Colin McGavigon

Apologies

Shona Meikle and Councillor Mark Horsham

2. Minutes of Previous AGM

We did not hold an AGM last year due to covid and this was approved by South Lanarkshire Council/

3. Chairperson's Report

Summary of the Chairperson's report read by Jim:

Jim stated that it was an usual but good year for the community council, we held meetings on zoom and we did a lot for the community during lockdown. We gave out hand sanitiser to community groups, visors to the community, tablets to schools, care packs to the local old folks homes and also held community days where we gave out puzzles, games, books and fitness trackers to all age groups in the community. Jim also advised we will look to do more in the community in the future.

4. Re-elected members

Catriona, Ailsa, Mark and Margaret all stood down from council positions, Catriona and Ailsa were re-elected as Co-Secretaries, Mark was re-elected as Treasurer and Margaret was re-elected as Vice Chair. This was agreed by all.

5. Treasurer's Report

Mark gave us a summary of his treasurers report. Our council grant was topped up by £254.95, in total during the year we had spent £6500 in grants from Kypemuir to help the community. The total balance at the end of the period was £2104.84.

It was also agreed we would pay Harris and Ollies money for use of the facility for our meetings.

## 6. A.O,B

### Community Parks

Colin asked if we had filled in the park survey and advised we should get the results in May

Ailsa mentioned that she had received a message from Ruaridh from the LDT and is still waiting to hear back from Joe at SLC. It was agreed that we would work with the LDT and we would both provide funds.

### Decorative Features

It was mentioned that we could look at getting a new sign for the roundabout at the start of Lesmahagow. It was also mentioned that we need more bins in Lesmanahagow as the amount of litter is an issue. Colin suggested we could look to organise a community litter picking programme

Margaret asked if something could be done about a part of McKirdy that is unsafe due to its proximity to the water and is very unsafe as a lot of young children use the park.

Colin mentioned that the council has dog wardens and if anyone sees somebody not picking up after their dog then they can phone the council to report them.

### Harris and Ollies

Gary mentioned we should try and promote Harris and Ollies as they do a lot for the community, it was also suggested we could pay £20-25 per meeting for use of the facility.

### Community Areas

Gary mentioned about the state of the bicycle path. Colin and Gary will go a walk and will make note of areas that need improved and Colin will feed back to the council.

### REF Fund

Margaret has asked if we could write a letter of support for the Bowling Club's application for the REF fund, Ruby has asked if we could do this as they need to fix the wall. Jim advised he will do this.

## 7. Date of future meetings

Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> of February at Harris and Ollies at 7.30pm

AGM – Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> of October 2022 at 7.30pm