

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> of March 2024 at the Fountain, Lesmahagow

1. Present and Apologies

Present Committee Members

Catriona Arthur-Inch (Co-Secretary), Ailsa Lorimer (Co-Secretary), Margaret Craw (Chair), Mark Waugh (Treasurer). James Brownlee. Gordon Lennox, Gary Hillan and Des Middleton

Present Non Committee Members

Councillor Ross Gowland and Archie Manson

Apologies

Shona Meikle, Rabb Murray and Magz Cathcart

2. Previous Minutes

The previous minutes were taken as read with no amendments.

3. Hollandbush Golf Club

Gordon advised the golf club is not getting closed at the moment and gives them time to decide what to do.

4. Persimmon Homes

Gordon has emailed them for an update and Ross advised council currently in talks with Persimmon.

5. Parish Church

Margaret advised there is not anything we can do about the closure of the church. Gordon suggested we should try and find out what's happening with the land.

6. Lesmahagow in Bloom

Ailsa suggested we could look to set up a Lesmahagow in Bloom scheme to be based at McKirdy park. Archie advised should speak to Blackwood group who have set this up already.

7. McKirdy Park

Ailsa advised have secured £120k in funding for Mckirdy Park and that work should hopefully start Sept/Oct.

8. Highland Games

Ailsa advised that the Highland Games committee have asked to see if we are going to do the same as last year with a mini highland games. Will need to discuss at a later meeting to see if we can organise this.

9. KMCP

Ailsa advised the school applied for an outdoor hut but the council declined and the application was withdrawn. KMCP are having a spring open day on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March in the Hope Church from 10.00am to 2.00pm.

10. Cumberhead

Gordon advised now be dealt with by Malcom Jack, there is a meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> of April with everyone in the panel. There is another meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May to discuss applications. Gordon advised will find out how many times a year applications will be looked at.

11. Auchrobert

Ailsa will look into when open for applications.

12. Hagshaw

Gordon advised next meeting on Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> of March and is at 6.30pm at the Fountain. There is also a meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April at Glespin, either Mark or Catriona will attend. James suggested we could try and organise a meeting with the other community council in the Hagshaw area before the next meeting.

13. Brokencross

Ailsa advised there has been an update to the terms of reference, which has been emailed to Mark and Ailsa.

14. Finance Update

Mark advised expenditure that needs recorded is:

Fountain Hall hire Feb/March - £20 each month

Website - £108

Refreshments from AGM - £11.35

15. A.O.B

Margaret propped Gordon to be vice chair and all present agreed and this was approved.

16. Date of next meeting

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> of April at 7.30pm at the Fountain

