

Lesmahagow Community Council Meeting

13th June 2024

The Fountain, Lesmahagow, 7.30pm

AGENDA

Welcome & apologies, adoption of previous meetings minutes

- Attendees: Gordon Lennox, James Brownlee, Gary Hillan, Ailsa Lorimer, Mark Waugh, Ronnie Holdes, Ross Lambie, Ross Gowland,
- Apologies: Shona Meikle Desmond Middleton & South Lanarkshire Police.

- Margaret Craw (Chair of LCC) passed away in May 2024. A tribute was paid to Margaret and her efforts with the Community Council. Margaret's passion towards the village and the Community Council will be sorely missed. LCC are grateful for her input to the CC over the last 5 years and send their condolences to her family.

- It was noted that South Lanarkshire Police have not attended the last few meetings of LCC. SL Police are to be actively invited to attend future meetings.

Construction Developments/Closures within village

1. Hollandbush Golf Club (HGC) – Mags from the Golf Club has been in contact with Gordon asking if he had a contact for a dilapidation survey. HGC have been told asset transfer needs to be completed by next year, month of 2025 to be confirmed. Gordon Lennox commented that the Golf Club were looking at several options for asset transfer and charitable status.
2. Persimmon Homes – status changed on council website to awaiting decision. A meeting with Persimmon Homes is requested with the LCC.
3. Lesmahagow Parish Church – scaffolding has been put up again on the building. No further updates on building status. The Church is currently not listed for sale on the Church of Scotland Website

4. The Resource Centre in Lesmahagow is set to close. Ross Gowland could not find the Resource Centre on the SLC website. Ross Gowland confirmed he would find out from Council if the building is owned by SLC.
5. Asset Transfers in general. No response from Iain Mulholland regarding the sheds at the back of the Glebe; however, overriding decision was that the building was into poor condition to take forward.

- **Project Updates**

1. McKirdy Park – The project is moving towards Tender. Liz Kelly from SLC has finalised the drawings. Ailsa Lorimer is to create the 250 words for the history board which will also be reviewed by Lesmahagow Development Trust and the Historical Society.

- **Wind Farm Community Benefit**

1. Microgrants – paperwork to be returned to SLC by Mark Waugh.
2. KMCP – Closing Date 24Jul2024 for August meeting. Expression of Interest is in for Lesmahagow Development Trust for the Fountain.
3. REF – Closing Date for next round 23 Jul2024 for 17 September 2024. No known applications
4. Cumberhead Community Benefit – Currently Closed. Opening for second round expected to be end of summer.
5. Auchrobert – opening 02Jul2024 for 03Sept2024 meeting. Update to be provided to Auchrobert regarding McKirdy Park Grant. Ailsa will respond to the Auchrobert Group about this.
6. Broken Cross Community Benefit – Terms of Reference needs to be signed. Alda from Baywa needs to be first signatory, LCC will sign last. 2 Signatories will be required from LCC.
7. CDLR – the group will likely form as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). SPR meeting next Wednesday. Gordon, James and Ailsa to attend.

- **Community Action Plan/Place Plan – Douglas Westwater**

- Douglas Westwater will produce the Community Action Plan for the village. Lesmahagow Development Trust are working with Coalfield Regeneration Trust to produce a Local Place Plan. A meeting was held between LCC, LDT, Douglas

Westwater and Coalfield Regeneration Trust. It was agreed, 1 brochure would be produced containing both the Place Plan and the Community Action Plan rather than 2 separate documents. A summary document may also be provided.

- **Finance Update**

- See below for June 2024.

- **Roles & Responsibilities of LCC**

- Due to the loss of Margaret Crow, the Chair position was discussed. Ailsa Lorimer proposed Gordon Lennox to act as Chair, this was seconded by Gary Hillan.
- The role of Vice Chair remains open.

AOB –

- Defibrillator Gary Hillan stated that the Defibrillator could be put on the shop wall at the top of the village. Ailsa Lorimer said she would investigate funding options for this.
- Apologies were given in advance for the July meeting for Gordon Lennox and Ailsa Lorimer

**Lesmahagow Community Council
Treasurer's Report - June 2024**

	£	
Opening Bank Balance	7,541.77	
Cash in hand	-	
Less: Cheques issued & payments approved	471.38	
Opening Balance	7,070.39	

Income
n/a

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Expenditure

Fountain hall hire - June 28.00 to be approved & minuted

28.00

Closing Balance	7,042.39	
Cheques not yet presented & other approved exp	499.38	(includes exp above)
Cash in hand	-	
Closing Bank Balance	7,541.77	
Fund held for McKirdy park (incl grant)	5,910.00	1,132.39

Bank Reconciliation

Opening Bank Balance	Out	In	7,541.77	11/04/2024
Transactions				
Movement	-	-	-	
Closing Bank Balance			7,541.77	09/05/2024

Cheques issued not yet cashed	£	
Guides	168.00	not yet presented
Website Subs	108.00	not yet presented
AGM refreshments	11.35	not yet presented

