

# MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN KENNEDY HALL ON TUESDAY 19 SEP 2017 @ 7.00pm

#### SEDERUNT:

Alex Gibson (Chairperson), Andy Guthrie (Vice-Chair), Roy Storie (Treasurer), Steve Izatt (Secretary & Website), Angus Craig (Member & NCCBC), Janey McCreath (Member (and Kennedy Hall & Park Committee)).

#### PRESENT:

Iain Campbell (Conservative Councillor), Colette McGarva (SAC Community Engagement Officer), Police Scotland Constable Murray Jamieson.

#### APOLOGIES:

Ronnie Auld (Member), William Grant (SNP Councillor), Brian Connolly (Independent Councillor).

## NO RESPONSE TO INVITATION:

#### MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

Neil Sinclair

## 1. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (15 Aug 2017):

Proposed: Alex Gibson / Seconded: Janey McCreath.

## 2. POLICE REPORT:

*Excluding Craig-Tara Holiday Park*, there were 10 Incidents (i.e. calls to Police Scotland) during the previous month within the Dunure Community boundary, comprising:

- 6 x false, duplicate, information or non-attendance;
- 2 x minor issues;
- 1 x vandalism (Fisherton Avenue); and
- 1 x vehicle failing to stop.

No further matters were raised. The Police Constable was thanked for his attendance, and left the Meeting at this point.

## 3. COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

Iain had met with representatives of Ayrshire Roads Alliance to progress:

The pavement repair on Station Road (temporarily marked with cones and warning tape);

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• The installation of speed monitoring devices on Station Road.

Iain had also met with SAC Executive Management to discuss Tourism opportunities, including:

- Brown "tourism" signs, promoting Dunure, strategically placed on all principal routes;
- A purpose-built Pedestrian Footway linking Kennedy Park with the Harbour.

Separately; we asked Iain to continue to follow-up on:

- (a) Future funding for (or provision of) Gala Day Stalls & Equipment, and
- (b) The structural condition survey to be undertaken on the Castle.

## 4. LINK OFFICER'S REPORT:

Colette noted that:

- (a) A Form is to be submitted to ensure the Community Council received its annual financial allowance from SAC. Steve will attend to this;
- (b) Funding Stream Newsletter. Colette confirmed that her team is available to assist us with guidance on the completion of Application Forms; and
- (c) PAR Funding / Decision Days. A new (fairer) voting system is in-place.

#### 5. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Roy advised our financial position is:

(a) the Working Fund (Bank Account 00584730) has £5,080;

Note: This includes the cheque (of approx. £3,500) from the PAR Event as a contribution towards the "Coastal Rowing & Sea Kayaking" Initiative. We need to decide whether to exercise use of these funds.

Note: Subject to Item 4(a) above, we will also shortly receive our administration Grant.

(b) the Community Hall Fund (Bank Account 00584765) has £3,145.

#### 6. CORRESPONDENCE:

Not discussed in detail. Relevant emails are distributed by Andy.

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## 7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS & DECISIONS:

Not discussed in detail. Weekly and Monthly Registers of Planning Applications & Decisions are circulated by Andy, and are available for inspection online at SAC Planning. Link here:

http://publicaccess.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=weeklyList

#### 8. MATTERS ARISING / ANY OTHER BUSINESS (in no particular order):

#### (a) <u>Community Hall Fund / Asset Transfer Scheme</u>.

Steve submitted an informal Application Form to SAC on 17 Aug 2017, for refurbishment, and then transfer, of the Community Hall to Community Ownership. An acknowledgement was received on 11 Sep 2017. We are now looking for feedback and guidance on how to improve the Application, followed by information on the formal submission and assessment procedures flowing from that. Iain and Colette offered to follow-up. Steve to email them a copy of the initial Application.

#### (b) Demolition of the External Store (Stables) in Kennedy Park.

It was unanimously agreed to accept SAC offer to construct a new Store in Kennedy Park. Janey identified a preferred location adjacent to the Toilet Block. Steve will reply to SAC.

#### (c) Application to LEADER for Funds to restore the Dunure Lighthouse.

Steve noted that this is going nowhere, as LEADER reduced their funding contribution from 90% to 50% without notifying us, that our previous Application is no longer valid, and that a new "online" application form is to be submitted (for which the date has elapsed). It was agreed to keep going with this, but volunteers are needed to keep up some momentum.

lain offered to investigate and confirm the current status of our Application.

Roy offered to obtain a quote from a third-party to re-submit the Application.

(d) Bus Route.

Andy had previously noted that some local elderly residents had asked if the Stagecoach 361 Bus could drop-off passengers at the end of Kennedy Drive. Steve will write to enquire.

(e) <u>Christmas Tree</u>.

Steve will ask Dunure Youth Club and the Dunure Harbour Committee Association Ltd. if they are interested in making a shared contribution (with the Community Council, and the Kennedy Hall & Park Committee) to install a Christmas Tree at the harbour this year.



#### (f) <u>Community Notice Board at Harbour</u>.

Steve noted the deteriorating condition of this Signboard. It would be good to replace this with the same as that installed at the Bus Terminus and in the Park. Cost is approx. £3,500. Angus suggested an application to NCCB. Steve to prepare.

#### (g) <u>Dunure Festival of the Sea</u>.

lain and Andy noted that the Dunure Harbour Committee Association Ltd. was hosting a Festival. We are keen to help promote this event. Andy had obtained Posters, and Steve has placed them in all Community Notice Boards. Iain has arranged for this event to be advertised on SAC Website.

#### (h) Annual General Meeting.

A copy of the Chairperson's remarks is attached to the end of these Minutes.

Andy offered a vote of thanks to the Chairperson, which was supported by all.

Position	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded
Chairperson	Alex Gibson	Steve Izatt	Angus Craig
Vice-Chair	Andy Guthrie	Alex Gibson	Janey McCreath
Treasurer	Roy Storie	Steve Izatt	Alex Gibson
Secretary	Steve Izatt	Roy Storie	Andy Guthrie
Member	Angus Craig	-	-
Member	Janey McCreath	-	-
Member	Ronnie Auld	-	-

Results were as follows:

Notes: Roy indicated he would seek to relinquish the Treasurer role as soon as another volunteer is found. Steve indicated he will relinquish the Secretary role by end 2017. Neil indicated that he and his wife are interested in becoming Members. This commitment is much appreciated. Steve will obtain the "Co-Opting" Forms, and pass them to Neil.

## 9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The Meeting concluded at 9.00pm. The next Meeting will be held on 17 Oct 2017 at the usual time of 7.30pm. Steve will issue a reminder nearer that time.



#### Chairman's Report – 2016/2017

I would like to thank everyone for attending the Dunure Community Council (DCC) Annual General Meeting (AGM), especially on such a lovely evening.

In my remarks to the AGM last year I noted that 2015/16 had been a busy and, at times, challenging year, but with the enthusiasm and diligence of the members DCC had made progress in various areas.

This past year has been no less challenging or busy. DCC started the year with a concern that if numbers did not increase then DCC may not be able to continue, though we were pleased to have members of the public present who have since gone on to successfully become full members of DCC, and I welcome Jannie and Ronnie to their first AGM as members of DCC.

I would like to record publicly my thanks to the members of DCC for their support and hard work over this past year.

This new year has seen changes for DCC, our '*Councillor in residence*' Sandra Goldie has now retired from public office, so I would like to thank Sandra for the valuable help and assistance she provided DCC over the years and welcome Iain Campbell to his first AGM. DCC is helped significantly by our South Ayrshire Council (SAC) Link Officer Colette McGarva who has been an excellent help in a number of matters throughout the year.

I'd also like to thank the officers of Police Scotland who regularly attend the meetings providing the report and advice.

DCC has focussed on numerous campaigns throughout the year; unfortunately some are recurring as we continue to have to pursue these matters:

- a) The roads in the CC area have long been a cause for concern and complaint and DCC have worked both through SAC and directly with Ayrshire Roads Alliance (ARA) to improve the conditions of the roads and pavements. DCC continues to pursue these issues. The report of the traffic survey did not bring the hoped for resolution to the public safety issue of the 30 MPH to 60 MPH to 30 MPH section of road from Fisherton into Dunure. We are also disappointed to have to be pursuing ARA for reports which they had agreed to provide on an ongoing basis and which started well, but then withered away. ARA informed us that they were seeking funding for a road survey which, despite the initial funding request being rejected, we would encourage them to pursue this and move this significant area of concern forward.
- b) The secretary has continued the development of DCC website Dunure.net and it is now a useful resource for the sharing of local community information e.g. the forthcoming production of Dracula which will play in the Kennedy Hall on the 30<sup>th</sup> October.
- c) The community notice boards have been well used, unfortunately we have not had the funding to establish a new notice board at or near the new Ladywell development as yet.
- d) Unfortunately one of the hoped for targets the Ayrshire LEADER funding for the lighthouse restoration, did not materialise but this is still being pursued and it's hoped that it may still be successful.
- e) DCC have not had the funds available this year to fund all that we would have liked, but where we can, we have, such as new fire doors for the Kennedy Hall and in contributing to the Dunure Youth Club (DYC).
- f) On occasion through the year DCC meetings had representatives from some of the other community organisations present and we continue to work on strengthening our



relationships and collaboration with these organisations for the benefit of the community. Such as the joint venture with the support of DCC, KH&PC, DHCA & DYC which culminated in members of the DYC presenting the bid and obtaining funds towards the initiative.

g) DCC is responsible for appointing Directors and Members to the North Carrick Community Benefit Company (NCCBC). We have been very ably represented on NCCBC by one of our members, but it would be beneficial for the entire community if we could increase that number or we run the risk of missing out on the opportunities available.

DCC hope to continue the good work over the next 12 months and we would appeal to all members of the public, groups, committees and associations of the community to work with DCC and each other to help make progress in all areas of interest and concern.

Alexander Gibson

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