

Newlands+Auldhouse

Community Council

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Newlands and Auldhouse Community Council Minutes

Minutes of meeting 4 May 2023.

Attendance: Jade Graham (JG), Helen Dolan (HD), Alison Mitchell (AM), Sandy Walls(SW), John Duthie (JD) Adrian Stewart (AS), Councillor Sean Ferguson (SF), Debbie Gill (DG)

Public Participation: Charlie Kennedy (CK), Dr Schulman (DrS), Clare Ireland (CI), Phil McGurk (PM)

Apologies: Zara Kitson. Julia Murphy

Previous minutes: Approval of last month's minutes proposed by HD and seconded by JG.

Police Report: No submission.

Proposed Website: AS briefed the meeting on his thoughts and ideas for setting up a NACC website. He proposed a template which would be image based rather than text based. A purchase domain has been approved. Dylan Lombard is a local young man who is known to, and has been contacted by, JG. He has good photographic skills and his input would be invaluable. A holding site has been set up to work on and develop. Initial thoughts are to have, for example, images of councillors, location map, rolling gallery of pictures together with information on what the CC does and what's happening in the area; a link to GCC; CC contact details and minutes etc. CK advised that he was an amateur photographer and would be happy to help with the website. He also enquired about the use of other platforms such as Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. The group confirmed that their preference would be Instagram.

Proposed Friends of Auldhouse Park: No Report

Friends of Newlands Park: DG advised that the refurbished/ upgraded tennis courts are scheduled to be finished soon. A further update will be forthcoming in due course. The fête will be held in the park again this year (first weekend in September) and the local scout group has agreed to put the tents up in the morning and the intention is to reach out to last year's participants. There will be no commercial activity as there is no time to get a license and the group agreed that non profit was a good way to run. Non profit groups will be welcomed eg wildlife groups; fire brigade. DG advised that the Friends group was also looking to set up and get involved with a butterfly survey which would input into a national data base and were looking for volunteers. JD advised that historically the fête was held in August but had been moved to September to allow more time to organise.

Community Pensioners Lunch Club: HD advised that arrangements for the " Spring Fling" on the 11 May at 7pm in the scout hall are progressing. A DJ has been organised and sandwiches and pizzas have been ordered from the local cafe in Mamore Place. It is a BYOB event.

Councillors Report: SF advised that a number of road resurfacing projects are being undertaken within the area including, for example, Auldhouse Terrace, Monreith Road, Friarton Road. Repair of potholes and resurfacing are major Council priorities.

There has been a delay in replanting the site at the junction of Tinto Road with Kilmarnock Road which had been damaged when a car crashed into it. It now appears that the Council does not own it and this complicating matters.

Road crossing attendant has been reinstated at Langside Drive at the 4 way junction.

Further consultation been carried out with residents in Fernleigh Road.

Public Participation: CI and PM expressed on their own, and other local resident's behalf, concerns regarding the proposed Laggan Road Traffic Management Order and its focus now on the junction of Laggan Road and Langside Drive. The majority of incidences have been at the Coylton Road/Largie Road end of Laggan Road. PM confirmed that he has had discussions with the Head of Roads due to the high level of accidents in this vicinity largely all due to speed. The NACCs support is being sought for the first proposal. AS offered his help and advice as he had been involved with the traffic management scheme at Lochlea Road. The discussion concluded with the NACC committee members unanimously agreeing to the support the first proposal put forward by the Council. AM was instructed to make the views of the NACC known to the Head of Roads.

CK queried the recent liveable communities consultation event at the Hub. SF confirmed that this was an early stage of a long process where there are low community response rates.

Finance: No report

Planning Correspondence: AM advised that the following planning applications have been received for the period 7th March to the 4th May 2023:

23/00420/FUL Installation of replacement gates at 15 Monreith Road.

23/00593/FUL Installation of access ramp to front of property at 27 Alloway Road.

23/00727/FUL Formation of enlarged access to street, installation of gates, erection of retaining wall and associated landscaping at 30 Langside Drive.

23/00833/FUL External alterations including enlarging doorway to install bi-fold doors and removal of flue and outhouse to rear of dwellinghouse at 56 Monreith Road.

23/00880/FUL Erection of single storey extension to rear of dwellinghouse ar 128 Muirend Road.

AM highlighted the application for 30 Langside Drive and advised that the new application was in response to unauthorised works at the site. She also advised that matters relating to the other deviations to the approved drawing in respect of the alterations to dwellinghouse are still being pursued by the Council.

AOCB: No matters raised.

No other business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned. The date of the next meeting is **Thursday 1 June 2023.**