Cree Valley Community Council	Action point
Minutes of meeting held on 7th April 2025 in McMillan Hall, Newton Stewart	
Present: Jamie Hyslop (Interim Chair & Treasurer); Iain Service (Secretary); Robert Boan; Paul Comacchio; Ian Heywood; Tammy Heywood; David Malcolm; Morag McIlwraith; Neil Skelton; Lisa Sykes; Moyra Breckenridge (minutes)	
Apologies: Debbie Monteith; Jackie Hedley; David Spruce; Cllr Richard Marsh	
Approval of Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising: Tammy Heywood proposed, Robert Boan seconded following clarification on query re content of printing invoices.	
Treasurer's report: (Jamie Hyslop still not registered for online banking) Opening balance - £107.79; (new banking charge will be £4.25 per month) Income – DG Council discretionary grant - £737.60; Foundation Scotland grant re. Carsceugh (2 years) £5295.30 – this fund to be used for general community charitable purposes. Closing balance - £6136.44.	
Resignation of Richard Kay and Pat Wardell: Jamie Hyslop intimated resignations and expressed thanks for commitment to community council remit.	
Complaints: Complaints re. Resilience and EGM being followed up.	
Resilience update: Bob Boan now in post as Coordinator, compiling an inventory of assets and liaising with DGC re containers. Established so far - mobile phone is inoperable; Lisa Sykes holds laptop and key to container which also holds Christmas lights and which are to be moved to 3B's premises; trailer now securely stored. Wildfire update – Bob in contact with area affected; fires out, dampening down in progress; will keep in contact and follow up as necessary. NB there are resilience funds available which can be applied for through CVCC. Debit balance on resilience account in CVCC records to be investigated.	Treasurer
Help for families: Attendance numbers increasing weekly, funding through until September; a printer would be useful if anyone has one available.	
Police report: None available; increase in anti-social behaviour worrying; incidences should be reported by email to StewartryCPT@Scotland.police.uk; Secretary to write to MPs; suggestion public meeting may be useful.	Secretary
Planning applications: Circulated prior to meeting, no concerns raised**.**	
Shennanton windfarm: Proposal expected to go to Planning by May.	
Challoch solar park: Further online meeting being organised.	
VE & VJ Day: Sub group being set up to organise/co-ordinate proposals as to when to hold events and access available funding.	
EGM update: Document setting out facts surrounding the cancellation of 24th March EGM circulated and summarised by Secretary (full copy can be requested from cvccsec@btinternet.com); still awaiting review/audit by DG Council; unable to get update as no elected councillors present at this meeting.	
Approval of letter to CVADT as per EGM notice: Treasurer drafting letter and will circulate to members before sending seeking clarity re financial relationship between CVCC and CVADT.	Treasurer
Summary of 3rd March after meeting: Email sent by Treasurer to members on	

12th March set out situation.	
Correspondence: CVCC has first option on land for sale by DG Council near former station – not considered practical. Bargrennan Bridge temporary closures are going ahead – planning approved. Forest Land Scotland – Julie Smithers requesting letter of support re cleaning of stones/benches etc – David Malcolm to get further information.	D. Malcolm
Facebook/website update: Secretary now has control of Facebook account which will be curated by Debbie Monteith, Tammy Heywood and Lisa Sykes	
AOCB & Public Forum: Event held in Cinema – David Baird and David McCreadie hosted a very well attended event showcasing the local terrain and wildlife. Suggestion other such community events could be held in the winter period. Potholes on road beyond Penninghame Pond reported – a link on CVCC Facebook page allows such reports to be sent direct to DG Council. A meeting is being arranged concerning the provision of general practitioners in the area. Defibrilators – Ian Heywood is in the process of taking responsibility for these. Further public forum matters being held over until next month to allow people attending the windfarm meeting upstairs to do so.	
Date and time of next meeting: Monday 12th May at 7pm.	