Cree Valley Community Council

Minutes: 5TH December 2022

7:15 McMillan Hall

Attendees: Ben Palmer (Chair), Clifford Smithers (Vice Chair), Richard Kay (Treasurer), Charles Marshall, (Secretary), Morag McIlwraith, Jackie Hedley, Cllr. D Inglis. , Cllr K Hagmann

Apologies: Rev. N Newton, Angela Marshall. , Alison McCathie, Steph Bishop, Cllr J. McCammon

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Proposed –. B. Palmer

Seconded – C. Smithers.

Chair – Matters Arising

B. Palmer reported that the Pageant will take place next year. He added that CVCC had received Pageant Funds (under £3K) when the Pageant had stopped taking place to be used for other similar events. He proposed that an equivalent sum be given to the Pageant. This was agreed and would be transferred in Spring next year.

B. Palmer reported that problems were being experienced trying to install the Xmas lights this year. He added that a new set should be purchased for next year with funding being sought. It was agreed that this should be progressed.

Police Scotland: Report & Questions.

Issued in a separate email.

C. Smithers reported that items had been taken off the Christmas Tree in Dashwood Square. He added that this had been reported to the Police.

Elected Members

Cllr Hagmann reported that:

1. The Derelict Land Policy was being looked at with the possible option of Compulsory Purchase
2. The LDP was currently on-going
3. Stage 1 of the Council Budget would be considered at a meeting on 15th December

Visitor Presentations

None

1. **Planning**

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B. Palmer reported that a Planning Application had been made for changes to Penninghame House.

2. Newton Stewart Hospital

Cllr Hagmann stated that Cllr Scobie had brought forward a motion to the full Council re Newton Stewart Hospital regarding, among other items, the fact that there is no GP Referrals in Newton Stewart Hospital. She added that Palliative Care in the area is a major issue to be addressed.

3**. Kilgallioch Wind Farm Benefit Fund**

B. Palmer reported that consultations were taking place re Arecleoch Wind Farm benefits. He added nothing had been decided yet.

5. Events

C. Smithers reported that the planning for the Hogmanay Hoolie was agreed.

6. Resilience

S. Bishop reported that the "contact labels" on the defibrillators require to be updated.

7. CVADT Update

As per Events

8. Update on Action points.

Reports issued prior to meeting.

Public Forum

Joe Logan of the Hobby Shop in Newton Stewart reported that:

1. There was a huge issue with bullying of children coming to Clubs;
2. A Doorbell had been stolen.

It was agreed that a request be made for:

1. CCTV in Morton's Entry;
2. Increased Police Patrols in Morton's Entry.

Correspondence

All issued prior to meeting.

B. Palmer reiterated that it had been agreed a list of all Correspondence for the previous month will be issued at the meeting having previously been emailed to all. He added that these will not be read out, unless a particular item requires discussion

Financial Update:

The Financial Reports were distributed.

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It was agreed that some of the Carsreugh Monies should be used to reimburse the Pageant Committee

It was agreed that additional signatories would be added to the CVCC Accounts.

AOCB

B. Palmer expressed concern that Forestry and Land Scotland were locking gates and thereby denying access to walkers. In addition, the Millennium Stone was in need of repair.

Next meeting Monday 9th January 2023 at 7:15 p.m. at the McMillan Hall Newton Stewart.

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