

## FORT, SEAFIELD & WALLACETOUN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes** Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 13 April in Royal Burgh Suite 3, Ayr Town Buildings at 7.00pm.

**Present** Sandy Crawford, Michael Hitchon, Judith Hood, Phil Martin, Scott McIntosh, Norman McLean (Chair), Eileen Munro, Olena Stewart, Forbes Watson.

**In Attendance** PC Gary Anderson, Chris Campbell, PC Gavin Dalgleish, Cllr Kirsty Darwent, Cllr Allan Dorans, Cllr Bill Grant, Doug Maclean.

1 Apologies Dympna Gardiner, Herborg Hansen, Peter McCall.

**Welcome** The Chairman welcomed Eileen Munro, newly elected to serve as a Community Councillor. There are four vacancies in Wallacetoun Sub Ward. He also welcomed Doug Maclean, Event Manager/Media Co-ordinator from the Scottish International Airshow.

- **2 Minutes of Previous Meeting** Minutes proposed by Phil Martin, seconded by Judith Hood.
- **3 Matters Arising** The Chairman had written John Campbell on 11 March and was still awaiting a reply. Bill reported that he and Fiona Ross had met Mr Campbell on site to discuss car parking, which, even with staff cars, could reach several hundred. Kirsty said that there were weekly meetings.
- **5 Police Business** There had been 16 assaults and 12 detected, 10 drugs offences, most detected; some possessions, thefts and vandalism.
- **4 Public Business** Norman invited Doug Maclean, a director of The Airshow (Scotland) Ltd, to speak to members about plans for the 2016 event to be held Friday 2 Sunday 4 September. He was formerly with NATS. He reminisced about the Festival of Flight 2013, and described the Low Green successes of 2014 and 2015. The three Es are: Enterprise, Entertainment and Education. He hoped that there would be left a legacy of young people inspired to pursue a career in aviation, and went on to describe the challenges in balancing expenditure with income. A range of income generating ideas was required, and a working group from the Community Council would be established.
- **6 Ayr Town Centre Renaissance** The former Clydesdale Bank building had been acquired and work was to start soon. The whole block Riverside Site Master Plan was on its way.
- **7 Councillors' Business** The Rotary Club of Alloway was planning a Duck Race from the Cage Walk to Turner's Brig on Saturday 30 April. Fabric Shop better.

River Street now opened up to traffic from Main Street.

Smith Street.

Station Road tubs.

Old toilets at rear of Tam o' Shanter now demolished.

Stagecoach at Bus Station could be allocated planters.

Newmarket Street lights now away.

Toilet refurbishment under way.

Bin Men working to rule.

Suggestion re. The siting of sign on approach to Belleisle.

A719 30mph sign on coast road near roundabout – suggestion to relocate beyond bad bend. Police not supportive hitherto, but Ayrshire Roads Alliance to be approached for a re-think.

Saturday 23 April WWI Service at Rozelle.

Dog fouling fine to increase to £80.

Kirsty - Police Survey at: <a href="https://www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts">www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts</a>

**8 Planning Control** Nothing outstanding to report.

**9 Reports** Olena, Phil, Norman and Michael had met Brian McQuillan re South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership. Phil attends North Ayr and Villages Locality Planning meetings. South Ayr and Coylton Locality Planning group meeting needs our support and input. A broad make-up of the group is desired. The group identifies need in the area. Tim Stone is Chairman of North Ayr and Villages and understands alcohol/drugs challenges. They are being addressed through drama projects and training. £5,000 is available to each of the six areas. Priorities include elderly poverty, mis-use of emergency services, mental health, social isolation. It's a feed in to provide ideas. Next meeting was to be held on Thursday.

Forbes said the man from Girvan was helpful in setting up the website.

**10 Correspondence** Streetlife.com lady complaining about pavements, and calling for more pavement kerb drops.

Insurance papers filled out and returned to contact at Highland Council.

Belleisle Coffee Morning Saturday.

- **11 Financial Report** £170 available for administration.
- 12 Any Other Competent Business There was none.
- **13 Date of Next Meeting** Wednesday 11 May 2016 with AGM, Wednesday 8 June 2016, Ayr Town Buildings, 7.00pm.