

OLD LUCE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 7th October 2019 at 7.45 pm in Glenluce Public Hall

Present

Fred Murray - Chairman

Michael Bird

Jane Dodds

Elizabeth Innes

Liz Manson, Returning Officer

Rep, D&G Council

Ian Paterson, Vice Chairman

Mike Lane

Pamela Marshall

Susan Maxwell

Police: PC Allison

Gordon McKinstry

Ean Stewart

Member of the Public:

Rev Stephen Ogston

In attendance: Jane McDowall

Liz Manson, as Returning Officer Representative, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Old Luce Community Council is allowed a maximum of fourteen Community Councillors and thirteen were nominated during the election process. One more person may be co-opted.

1. Apologies

Action

Joan Miskimmins, Diane Lowe, Derek Sloan, Councillors Graham Nicol and Katie Hagmann.

2. Appointment of the Chair

Liz requested nominations for the Chair.

Fred Murray was proposed by Gordon McKinstry and seconded by Elizabeth Innes. There being no other nominations Fred was duly elected and Liz handed over the meeting to the chairman.

3. Secretary

Liz explained that the appointed Secretary must be an elected Community Councillor although the Community Council could still appoint someone else as minute secretary and contact for the Community Council.

Freddie proposed that Susan Maxwell be appointed as Secretary and this was agreed.

4. Treasurer

Freddie proposed that Derek Sloan be appointed as Treasurer and this was agreed. Freddie added that Derek was hoping to stand down in due course.

5. Acknowledge and Sign the Amended Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in Dumfries and Galloway as the Constitution.

Freddie and Gordon signed the document, which Liz retained for Dumfries & Galloway Council. Un-signed copies were provided for Treasurer and Secretary.

6. Appointment of Independent Examiner of Accounts

Freddie proposed that Gordon Reid, Chartered Accountant, continue as Independent Examiner of the Accounts and this was agreed.

7. Dumfries and Galloway Community Council Overview

Liz explained that the statutory purpose of the Community Council was to take the views of the local people and represent them to the Council, Health Board, etc.

The Ward Officer, Graham McKie and Wilma McKeown in the Council Offices were available for advice and information.

Community Council Enquiry Service: CCESMailbox@dumgal.gov.uk

CCES is separate from **Report IT Service** which is to report: roads and pavement defects, potholes, missed waste collections, new bin requests, fly tipping, dog fouling, street cleansing, street lights, etc.

Information on being a Community Councillor:

[https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/Community Councils](https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/Community%20Councils)

8. Request to Dumfries & Galloway Council for Discretionary Grant

Treasurer to submit account for year 2017/18 certified by an Independent Examiner; completed Annual Monitoring Form and BACS form.

Derek

9. List of Office Bearers and Examiner of Accounts

This is due to be sent to: community.councils@dumgal.gov.uk within one calendar month of the first meeting of the Community Council. Liz advised that she would submit the list and independent examiner's details.

Liz

10. Appointment of Vice Chairman

Elizabeth Innes proposed that Ian Paterson be appointed as Vice Chairman and this was seconded by Gordon McKinstry.

It was unanimously agreed that Items 11, 12, 13 and 14 would be carried forward to a future meeting.

Agenda

11. Consider the process for the Co-option of a Community Councillor

12. Consider the appointment of any Sub Groups

13. Consider the production of Certified Statement of Assets and Liabilities of former Community Council as appropriate

14. Consider Public Liability Insurance cover provided by Dumfries and Galloway Council

15. Dates, Times and Locations for Ordinary Meetings of the Community Council

7.45 pm on the first Monday of the month, except January and August in Glenluce Public Hall. The AGM is held in October.

16. AOCB

Ian raised the issue of lack of maintenance and cutting back vegetation on core paths, particularly at St Helena's and the Bents. Ian requested Council equipment for use by volunteers and for someone from D&G Council to attend Community Council meeting to discuss. Liz agreed to submit this request.

Liz

Liz left the meeting at this point.

The chairman welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the new Community Council and gave a warm welcome to the new Community Councillors.

17. Absent

No one.

18. Police Business

PC Allison explained her role and advised that a Community Surgery will be held on 8th October at 2 pm in Glenluce Public Hall.

*PC
Allison*

GLENLUCE

16/9 – x1 male arrested for threatening and abusive behaviour

19/9 – x1 male arrested for breach of bail

24/9 – x1 male arrested for drink driving

DUNRAGIT

22/09 – disturbance at Dounan Road – enquiries on-going

Susan raised concerns about safety due to an individual from outwith area moving to live in Glenluce. PC Allison explained that she was limited in what she could say and said that there was no reason for alarm.

The chairman thanked PC Allison for her attendance and she left the meeting.

19. Minutes of Previous Meeting (2nd September 2019)

Ian Paterson requested an amendment under Item 10 AOCB: "The six month lottery fees were due to be paid in October."

After this amendment all agreed that the minutes were an accurate record of the business conducted and the adoption of the minutes was proposed by Ian Paterson and seconded by Gordon McKinstry.

20. Matters Arising

Snooker Tables - Mike enquired when they would be removed. Ian had spoken to Boyd McIntosh. Mike explained that there was money from the local authority to decorate the room and the tables needed to be removed. A deadline of 31st October was agreed.

*Ian
Mike*

21. Correspondence

None.

22. D&G Council - Local Development Plan

The Council adopted their second Local Development Plan (LDP2) on 3rd October 2019.

The adopted Plan can be viewed at Council libraries; Council planning offices (Kirkbank House, English Street Dumfries and Ashwood House, Sun Street, Stranraer); and online at www.dumgal.gov.uk/LDP2

23. Christmas

Wigtown Area Committee Funding - completed declaration of interest required asap.

Derek

Date for parties agreed as Saturday 21st December. Derek has booked Colin Heron for Christmas Party.

Children's party from 1 until 3 pm. Susan, with assistance from Jane Dodds, will organise.

*Susan
Jane*

Senior Citizens party in the evening. Decoration of hall for parties to be organised. Ian will organise evening entertainment.

Ian

Freddie

Freddie will invite Julie to be involved and Claire Burrell with Gospel Sound.

Lights Switch on at 5 pm on Saturday 30th November. Mavis Patterson to be invited to switch on lights.

*Jane
McD*

24. A.O.C.B.

Computing for Complete Beginners - Stranraer Library / Customer Service Centre, North Strand Street. Mondays, 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. 7 & 28 October, plus November dates.

Ian enquired about Weekly Planning List. Freddie currently receives and will bring to monthly meetings.

Freddie

100 Club - Ian explained that it costs £52 per annum. Proceeds go to Senior Citizens Party and flower tubs.

Freddie raised the issue of poor condition of pavement beside park. Councillor McColm had raised but nothing has been done as yet.

25. Date of Next Meeting

7.45 pm on Monday 4th November 2019 in Glenluce Public Hall.

Future Meetings (Monday): 2nd December, 3rd February, 2nd March.

Freddie thanked everyone for their attendance and input. The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

100 Club Draw

£25 - Cheryl Garrity

£50 - Ivor Harvey

£100 - Robert Copeland