

Old Luce Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held in Glenluce Public Hall at 7.45 pm on Monday 4th July 2022

Present

Fred Murray - Chairman

Ian Paterson - Vice Chairman

Kenny McKinstry - Treasurer

Mick Bird

Elizabeth Innes

Joan Miskimmins

Marion Muir

Gordon McKinstry

Derek Sloan

Ean Stewart

Members of the Public:

Anne Hardie

Donald Loudon

Jocelyn Vance

Robert Wallace

In attendance: Jane McDowall, Minute Secretary

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

1. Apologies

Mike Lane, Diane Lowe, Jane Dodds and PC Gary McCutcheon.

Absent: Susan Maxwell.

2. Police Business

Reported Crime: June 23rd - Fraud reported by a resident in North Street who had paid for a mobile phone on Facebook however never received the phone. Enquiries ongoing.

Information - Construction Watch, Rural Watch and Policing Survey.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting (6th June 2022)

All agreed that the minutes were an accurate record of the meeting and the adoption of the minutes was proposed by Joan Miskimmins and seconded by Marion Muir.

4. Matters Arising not covered on Agenda

None.

5. Finance

Derek and Kenny will deal with updating bank account signatories.

*Derek
Kenny*

The Expression of Interest form for Dumfries & Galloway Council was discussed and agreed.

It was agreed that the £100 donated to the Community Shop by Fred and Ian to support a local family in need would be reimbursed.

6. Updates on Local Issues raised at Previous Meetings

- **Community Asset Transfer - Lorry Park - (February 2022)** - No update from Councillor Hagmann's communication with D&G Council's legal department after June meeting. *Cllr Hagmann*
- **Lady Stair Park - Path Link to make circuit (November 2021)** - Fred has secured one quote - another to be requested. *Fred*
- **Underpass lights at Stairhaven junction (July 2020)** - D&G Council staff member had advised that Amey has the new lights and installation is imminent. The LED lights on outside underpass 24/7 will be fixed at the same time.
- **Disabled Parking Bays (March and June 2021).** The bay in Motehill has been removed and the one near the Kelvin will be removed the next time liners are in the area.
- **Crumbling Wall next to Back Burn (December 2020)** - D&G Council has now advised that the repairs required are greater than originally anticipated since first reported 18 months ago. D&G Council is currently procuring an external contractor with an estimated completion date of mid-October 2022.

6. Updates on Local Issues raised at Previous Meetings (continued)

- **Dunragit Notice Board (March 2022)** - Progress unknown - Development Trust progressing.
- **Defibrillator Sign (April 2022)** - Jane to organise. Sign to be located on wall above defibrillator. *Jane*
- **Summer Seat on back road to be repaired /replaced (May 2022)** - Fred and Ian will organise replacement once site is checked for concrete base. *Fred Ian*
- **Public Toilets - Cleaner (June 2022)** - The Council is in regular contact with the Trust to ensure that cleaning support is provided.

DUNRAGIT - Members of the public present discussed the desire of Dunragit residents to set up a local committee to organise a meeting place and activities for local residents. Old Luce Community Councillors wholeheartedly supported them. It was recommended that they contact Old Luce Development trust for assistance with a constitution and form filling.

7. Paths and Core Paths Maintenance

St Helena Core Path (420) (June 2022) - Councillor Hagmann had followed up with D&G Council and they had confirmed that it was due to be cut - however there was currently an issue with the contract which meant paths were not being cut.

After discussion it was agreed that OLCC would submit an application for funding to carry out path maintenance. Jane to liaise with Kenny to seek quotes for works. *Jane Kenny*

Stairhaven - Auchenmalg Coastal Path (March 2022) - Mick had produced a report highlighting works that were required to improve the path. To be included in path maintenance works application. *Jane*

High Glen Fencing - Joan advised that a local resident walking their dog in this area had come across cattle that were able to access the Glen due to fencing damaged by fallen trees. Mick agreed to advice the Trust and Ian will speak to Boyd McIntosh. *Mick Ian*

8. Glenluce Sports

Robert Wallace agreed to speak to Tony Miskimmins. Joan has sent a letter to the Royal Bank of Scotland to request that the bank account is not frozen. It was noted that cash held by Julie-Ann Copeland should be paid into the account which would also ensure that the account remained active. *Robert Wallace*

9. Kilgallioch Community Benefit Company (KCBC)

Kenny will speak to a potential new director. *Kenny*

An online meeting is being held to speak to local residents about the Review. Community Councillors to go online and select preferred dates. Mick, Marion, Gordon and Derek agreed to attend. (**Note:** The meeting was held online on 21st July.)

10. Old Luce Development Trust - Update

The Trust had a well-attended AGM on 29th June. After discussion the Community Council agreed to request that the Trust consults the community about Brambles being returned to a café in light of there being no café in the village.

The Community Council unanimously agreed that the Trust should walk away from the asset transfer of the lorry park due to the high risk of large costs being incurred.

The condition of the play park was discussed and it was noted that this was the responsibility of D&G Council. Jane to contact D&G Council. *Jane*

11. Old Luce Community Benefit Fund - Update

It was noted that additional promotion of the Fund is required.

12. Councillors Update

None present.

13. Correspondence

Census Coverage Survey - info from NRS via DGC.

Alcohol Focus Scotland - information circulated.

Shoreline Management plan - information circulated.

D&G Health and Social Care partnership - Time to Talk.

Community Councils - The Place Planning Partnership.

D&G Council - Vacant and Derelict Land and Property Strategy Consultation - to be circulated.

Thank you e-mails from James Ferguson, Glenluce and Castle Kennedy Primary Schools.

14. A.O.C.B.

It was agreed that Alan Gordon should be asked to give a presentation to the local community about the plans for Wigtownshire County Golf Club.

Fred

Ian advised that there are funds in a dormant Glenluce Initiative bank account. It was unanimously agreed that these should be transferred to Old Luce Community Council for use within the local community. Ian will speak to Robert Copeland, former treasurer.

Ian

Mike and Diane have the missing OLCC hi viz vests from the Street Party.

*Mike
Diane*

Local Planning applications (full details available on D&G Council website).

- Burnbank, Dunragit, DG9 8PL - siting of two holiday pods with associated decking.
- Plot 2 Land West Of Craig Lodge, Auchenalg - erection of dwelling house and detached domestic store.
- Land Adjacent to Haven Lodge, Stairhaven - erection of dwelling house.

Stairhaven - camper vans - Ean raised concerns of local residents about the volume of camper vans parking on council land in an area that was signposted "no camping". At least one resident had been threatened by a visitor. Jane to contact Community Safety Team.

Jane

Former Glenbay Hotel Site - Donald Loudon enquired if there was any update from DGHP - residents were complaining about the site requiring tidying. There had been no recent updates. Jane will contact DGHP.

Jane

Friends of the Glen - Mick advised that there was a Talk and Walk in the Glen at 1 pm on Saturday 9th July - all welcome.

15. Date of Next Meeting

7.45 pm on Monday 5th September 2022 in Glenluce Public Hall. The meeting closed at 10.05 pm.

Fred thanked everyone for their attendance and input.

Future meetings: 3rd October, 7th November and 5th December 2022. 8th February and 8th March 2022.