

Old Luce Community Council
Minutes of Meeting held in Glenluce Public Hall at 7.45 pm on Monday 1st April 2024

Present

Ian Paterson - Chairman
Fred Murray - Vice Chairman

Gordon McKinstry
Kenny McKinstry

Joan Miskimmins
Jocelyn Vance

In attendance: Jane McDowall, Minute Secretary

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

1. Apologies

Mick Bird, Mike Lane, Marion Muir and Councillor Inglis.

Absent: Diane Lowe.

2. Police Business

The Police Report stated that there had been two breaches of the peace, one drug related incident and one theft in the Old Luce Community Council area in the past month. Jane to share report to FB page.

Jane

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting (4th March 2024)

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

4. Matters Arising not covered on Agenda

Craig Nab Wind Farm presentation held in Glenluce Public Hall on 26th March. The information session had been well attended. Several people in the room had attended.

5. Finance and Micro Grant Application

It was agreed that the overpayment £3,891.35 on the grant award should be re-allocated to Micro Grants. Jane to advise Foundation Scotland.

Jane

The invoice for £264 from Montpelier for producing OLCC's accounts was unanimously approved for payment.

Jane

Micro Grant Applications - Fred declared an interest in the application from the Boccia Group. The group had requested a grant of £500 to cover Hall rental costs. This was proposed for approval by Kenny and seconded by Gordon.

Jane

Glenluce Nursery - An e-mail had been sent in response to letter complaining that they would not receive any of the annual allocation of £1,500 from Old Luce Community Benefit Fund. It was confirmed that OLCBF had approved the annual award for three years for all children at Glenluce Primary and Nursery. Foundation Scotland would be contacting (if they hadn't already) the Glenluce Parent Teacher Association to make arrangements for the award to be made. Jane to reiterate to the Nursery to speak to Mr Ferguson, Head Teacher, who was also aware that the funds were for the school and nursery.

Jane

Wigtownshire Guild of Spinners, Weavers and Dyers had supplied the additional information requested. Fred proposed that the group was awarded £200 towards Church Hall rental fees and this was seconded by Jocelyn. Copy of receipted invoiced to be requested.

Jane

Micro Grant Application Form and Criteria - It was agreed that Jane would draft an update and circulate to OLCC for discussion at May meeting.

Jane

Glenluce Initiative - dormant bank account. Ian would speak to the manager at The Royal Bank of Scotland to make enquiries about bringing the account back into use, to allow the monies to be used in the community.

Ian

6. Local Issues - Updates and Any New Issues

- **Flower tubs (March 2024)** - Deposit has been paid. Ian will purchase 40 bags of compost for topping up tubs. Fred will organise clearing out of old plants, etc.
- **Drain at Chalkwell House (February 2024)** - Update from Cllr Hagmann awaited.
- **Former Glenluce Hotel Site (November 2023)** - Wheatley Group has applied for planning permission to erect 1.8 mm high plywood hoarding along frontage of site. Concerns raised about graffiti.
- **Overgrown path at top of Back Burn (September 2023)** - Gordon has checked and area has now been cleared.
- **EV Charging Points (November 2023)** - Cllr Hagmann had advised no update at present.
- **Speed Monitoring / Detection (November 2023)** - Report shared on OLCC's FB page. Request for Temporary Traffic Data Survey to be carried out at foot of village has been submitted.
- **St Helena Way - Bridge (February 2024)** - It was believed that the repairs had not yet been undertaken by D&G Council. Jane to follow up.
- **Dunragit, Orchard Road, south side - faulty street lights (February 2024)** - Reported in March - unknown if repaired as no one from Dunragit present.
- **Glenluce Public Hall - clock (February 2024)** - Council due to repair 2nd April 2024.
- **Wooden Railings beside Bowling Club - School Road (February 2024)** - Update from Cllr Hagmann awaited.

*Ian
Fred*

Jane

7. Paths and Core Paths Maintenance

Stairhaven - Auchenmalg Coastal Path (March 2022) - Mick had submitted a report.

Mick met with Jonathan Barrett, a colleague from the Environment Team, and they walked over the eastern part of the path. Mick pointed out the issues. Jonathan has taken the under-noted points to his manager for consultation:

- Need for bridge/duck boards over largest burn - estimate of £11k.
- New marker sign to be placed at Auchenmalg lane end.
- New signs to replace the "private" boards at Stairhaven end.

Marker discs have been sent to Mick to attach to way marker posts on the path.

OLCC to investigate working with D&GC to speed up the necessary works.

Jane

8. Lady Stair Park

Fred will contact D&G Council to look at muddy path area and request quotes for this area, plus joining up the other path.

Fred

9. Kilgallioch Community Benefit Company (KCBC)

Meetings to consider grant applications due to be held next week - heavily subscribed round.

10. Old Luce Development Trust - Update

Planning permission for Brambles has been submitted.

11. Old Luce Community Benefit Fund - Update

Meeting held on 18th March. The next meeting is in June and due to be held at Glen of Luce Hall, Auchenalg.

12. Councillors Update

None present.

13. Correspondence

An assortment of e-mails and surveys has been forwarded to Old Luce Community Councillors in past month.

Jane

An offer to receive a copy of the official portrait of His Majesty King Charles III came in last week with a response required by 28th March. The chairman had agreed that Jane should go ahead and request a free portrait.

14. Any Other Competent Business

Fred requested consideration for OLCC to apply for funding for new equipment for the Boccia group for use by the community. This was agreed and Fred will supply the information to Jane.

*Fred
Jane*

15. Date of Next Community Council Meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 6th May in Glenluce Public Hall.

Gordon McKinstry tendered his apologies for the May meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

Ian thanked everyone for their attendance and input.

Future meetings: 6th May, 3rd June, 1st July, 2nd September, 7th October, 4th November (different venue - TBC) and 2nd December 2024.