

Old Luce Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held in Glenluce Public Hall at 7.45 pm on Monday 3rd June 2024

Present

Ian Paterson - Chairman
Fred Murray - Vice Chairman
Kenny McKinstry - Treasurer

Diane Lowe
Gordon McKinstry
Joan Miskimmins

Councillor Katie Hagmann

In attendance: Jane McDowall, Minute Secretary

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

1. Apologies

Marion Muir, Mick Bird, Jocelyn Vance and Mike Lane.

2. Police Business

The Police Report stated that there had been one breach of the peace in the Old Luce Community Council area in the past month. Jane to share report to FB page.

Jane

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting (6th May 2024)

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

4. Matters Arising not covered on Agenda

None.

5. Finance and Micro Grant Application

Award from Old Luce Community Fund to Glenluce PTA still unclaimed. Jane had made contact with a member of the PTA on 14th May, who had promised that another member would make contact to claim the award. No contact to date.

Micro Grant Application Form and Criteria - The amended draft criteria had been circulated to the Community Council members in advance of meeting. Revised document was unanimously approved. It was agreed that Jane would arrange for new criteria to be published.

Jane

Glenluce Initiative - dormant bank account. Ian working on.

Ian

6. Local Issues - Updates and Any New Issues

- **Flower tubs (March 2024)** - Ian thanked Fred and June Murray for cleaning out the containers ready for compost to be added. Stuart Kiltie and his team had added the plants to the containers on 22nd May. Stuart had said he may not do it again next year, but Ian is to contact him early in 2025 to enquire.
- **Drain at Chalkwell House (February 2024)** - Cllr Hagmann advised that she had chased up with Charlotte Carson at D&GC and will follow up again.
- **Drain at Lady Stair Park gates (June 2024)** - Gordon advised that the drain at park gates is blocked. Jane to report.
- **Wooden Railings beside Bowling Club - School Road (February 2024)** - Cllr Hagmann had raised with Chief Executive of D&GC. It was believed that the railings had now been replaced.
- **EV Charging Points (November 2023)** - Cllr Hagmann has still not received any update. She advised contacting Cllr Inglis.
- **Former Glenluce Hotel Site (November 2023)** - Not yet through planning. Once through planning, OLCC to enquire how long boards likely to be in place.

Ian

*Cllr
Hag-
mann*

Jane

Jane

Jane

6. Local Issues - Updates and Any New Issues (continued)

- **Speed Monitoring / Detection (November 2023)** - Temporary Traffic Data Survey to be carried out at foot of village in the next few months. Jane to check when this was likely to take place. *Jane*
- **Possible Dangerous Driving Incident (June 2024)** - Several members reported that a white car had driven at excessive speed through the village at approximately 3.30 pm on Sunday 2nd June, after the tractors had returned to Lady Stair Park, after their road run. Jane to report to Police. *Jane*
- **St Helena Way - Bridge (February 2024)** - D&G Council is organising a replacement - unknown if that work has been completed. Ian will make enquiries. *Ian*
- **Japanese Knotweed (June 2024)** - Growing up Back Burn and in the Glen, opposite entry to walled garden. Jane to report. *Jane*
- **Lady Stair Park (June 2024)** - Hole in wall between gates and bus shelter (towards former filling station site). Jane to report. *Jane*
- **Lady Stair Park (June 2024)** - Double gates into play area from park - one gate off hinges. Jane to report. *Jane*

7. Paths and Core Paths Maintenance

Stairhaven - Auchenmalg Coastal Path (March 2022) - Council had supplied costs to erect duckboards and additional cut. It was agreed that Jane should enquire if a late grant application would be accepted. *Jane*

Councillor Hagmann advised that it may be worth applying to the Community Payback team about maintaining paths and sent form to Jane.

It was reported that the Dunragit to Glenluce Railway Line path and Glen Path are both overgrown. Jane to advise the Trust. *Jane*

8. Lady Stair Park

Grant application for additional length of path had been submitted.

9. Kilgallioch Community Benefit Company (KCBC)

The next Board meeting is on 17th June.

10. Old Luce Development Trust - Update

Diane reported the latest Newsletter had been published. Work at the Dunragit Hub was progressing. The proposed work on Brambles was now going back to planning and full details are in the Trust's Summer Newsletter.

Extract from Trust Newsletter: *"To address the recognised shortage of B&B-style accommodation in the area, we have decided to create two nightly-rented, self-catered studio apartments on the first floor, with flexibility to be rented as one unit or together. Additionally, we will maintain rentable commercial space on the ground floor. flexible enough to accommodate various options, including office space, retail or a takeaway outlet. We have to define a use for planning purposes and have chosen class 2 'Financial, professional or any other service expected in shopping areas', which can be changed to class 1 'Shop' without the need to apply for change of use. It has been a long process, with many set backs, but we are now close enough to raising sufficient funds for the redevelopment of the building that the new design will be submitted for planning permission in the coming weeks and we aim to finally reopen this building with its new purpose in early 2026."*

11. Old Luce Community Benefit Fund - Update

The next meeting is on 24th June.

12. Councillors Update

Glenluce Healthy Living Campus (Doctors Surgery) - Councillor Hagmann gave an update on the funding of £34,000 (approximately) that had been allocated from the Community Regeneration Fund. Unfortunately this had now been lost from the project because it had not been drawn down.

Cllr Hagmann gave an update on the committee meetings being held and the work of D&G Council, including proposed community garden waste scheme, final year out-turn reports, proposal to amalgamate licensing board and consultation on school week.

The region-wide report on schools gave Glenluce Primary School a positive evaluation.

13. Correspondence

E-mail received today from Old Luce Development Trust raising concerns about tables and chairs removed from Public Hall without booking and being returned covered in grass and mud. They were disappointed with the amount of litter being dropped in front of the Public Hall during the time schoolchildren were waiting for the bus and there was a proposal to organise a community litter pick. Jane to reply.

Jane

An update on road repairs received from D&G Council had been circulated to Old Luce Community Councillors.

Notice of Community Council Ordinary Elections - Thursday 3rd October 2024. Nominations open 2nd July to 3rd September. To be added to agenda for July meeting.

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Cottage Hospital Consultation - online from 17th May to 18th August. Circulate.

Jane

Overhanging tree branches in the Glen - report received from local resident at beginning of May - forwarded to Trust.

Knock Fell Peatland Restoration - comments sent, with reply today. To be circulated to OLCC.

Jane

14. Any Other Competent Business

The portrait of HM King Charles III had been hung in the Public Hall.

Fred reported that the changing accommodation in the park had been deemed unsafe for use with the possibility of it being removed. To be added to agenda for July meeting.

Agenda

15. Date of Next Community Council Meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 1st July 2024 in Glenluce Public Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

Ian thanked everyone for their attendance and input.

Future meetings: 2nd September, 7th October, 4th November ([different venue - TBC](#)) and 2nd December 2024.