

THE ROYAL FOUR TOWNS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Meeting held on
Thursday 25th April 2013, at 7.30pm
in the Kitchen of the RFT Hall**

Those Present

Ian Collison, Freda Seddon, Graham Anderson, Jenny Campbell, George Erskine, Lisa Newbould, Junior member Sean Murray.

Apologies

Anne Potts.
Cllrs. Peter Diggle, Stephen Thompson.

Minutes of last Meeting

Accepted as correct. Proposed by GE, seconded by JC.

Matters arising

None.

**Action
By**

Police Report

None.

Local Councillor's Report

No report but Cllr. Diggle has been informed that street light remain on 24hrs on the Low Road.

Treasurer's Report

Bank a/c £1344.33
Book fund £806.27

Planning Applications

Parkend, Heck: replacement of existing derelict dwelling house and outbuildings with dwelling house and detached double garage with 14 photovoltaic panels to roof-slope.

Correspondence Received

Ward Forum: Lochmaben Community Centre Tuesday 14th May, 7pm.

Licensing consultation: 5th April to 28th June.

Website -www.dumgal.gov.uk/licensingconsultation.

Community Safety Team: reorganised into 2 roles of Community Safety Officers and Community Safety Enforcement Officers both of whom will have enforcement powers for dog fouling, littering, off street car parking. CSEOs also investigate antisocial behaviour cases and have powers to enforce domestic noise and fly tipping. Ring the council on 030 3333 3000 or email communitysafetyteam@dumgal.gov.uk.

FS

Survey of Community Councils questionnaire: filled out and FS to post.

Reports from Other Meetings

Community Resilience: GE and FS attended meeting. CCs should make a plan to cover emergency situations, e.g. floods, heavy snow, identifying vulnerable residents etc. It was agreed that a separate meeting should be held and this was arranged for Weds 15th 7.30pm, in the kitchen of the RFT Hall. CCs to think about the plan. FS to book the hall. GE will circulate the form provided at the council meeting. FS to ask Steven Wylie to send Community Resilience Local Plan forms.

**All
CCllrs
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4th Periodic Review

First phase complete. 2nd phase to follow 22nd July to 13th Sept 2013.

Access Group

Last walk: 17th March, Hightae to Joe Grahams and on to the Thai Orchid. 9 walkers were joined by family members at the restaurant.

Next walk: was planned for Sunday 28th April, over the hill to Torthorwald and a meal at the Manor Hotel. Cancelled as only Malcolm Wade and family are able to go.

Hightae Moss: GE and FS have worked out a route to take people on a circular route to the road. GE suggested the Access Group walk the route in summer to check that path is not too waterlogged. Posts will be required to mark the route.

Windfarm Community Fund

Website: £1,700 has been allocated for the website but this year's grant is £1,920.00. FS to check if we can carry £220 forward for next year. If not, ask Andy Callander how much of the ditch between Ashrood and Acorn Villa he could dig out for £200.00.

FS

AOCB

Fuel co-operative: Susan Green has requested information about this. Ian will inform her that Zoe Roberts, 4 Smallholm Steading, now administers the scheme.

Plaque should be made for Hightae Primary: requested by Margaret Bloomfield as the school has been assessed as 'Best in Scotland'. It was agreed that this is would be best dealt with by the school, but RFT CC will congratulate the school in the next newsletter.

Display cabinets: thanks to GA for repairing the cabinets.

Third Sector First: membership is free and it was agreed that RFT CC should join the scheme.

Bus Shelter: vandalism to bus shelter by primary school kids, who also climb on top. LN will speak to Hightae Primary and JC will find out about an 'eyes' notice for bus shelter.

IC

**LN
JC**

**Next Meeting
Thursday 13th June, 7.30pm
In the kitchen of the RFT Hall.**