

Carlops Community Council AGM
Minutes of Carlops Community Council AGM
Wednesday 1st June 2022, 8.00pm
In Carlops Village Centre and by video link

Present:

Committee Members: Marty Lee (Chair), Guy Walters (Treasurer), Hannah Walters (Secretary), Kate Morss, Jim Eccleston
Community: Anna Woolverton, Patsy Campbell, Jean Hunter, James Spears, Les Morss, Mairi Nye

In attendance: Drummond Begg (Councillor), Viv Thomson (Councillor)

Apologies: Murray Campbell

Matter arising from meeting of 31st March 2022:

Matters arising all covered in Standing Items.
Minutes were accepted. Proposed ML, Seconded JS

AGM Matters:

Minutes of 2021 AGM were accepted, Proposed ML, Seconded GW

Report from Chair:

ML reported that it had been a quiet year with meetings being conducted via Zoom. We have been fortunate in having no serious crises to deal with and hope to return to a more normal way of meeting and working in the coming year. A few planning and road issues had been addressed and steps have been taken to move 'on hold' projects forward, though work has yet to commence. CCC will be looking for volunteers to join work parties over the summer and autumn.

The remaining monies from the SBC Covid Response Grant have been spent on a picnic bench for the Rock Field.

Report from Treasurer:

GW/ML reported that in 2021/22 CCC had an opening balance of £112.28 and a closing balance of £124.30.

Income came from SBC annual grant (£540), there was no meeting room hire to be reimbursed.

Payments had been made for Christmas trees (£245), Scotways subscription (£16) and the Zoom meeting subscription (£143)

Tim Wilcock remains as Auditor

Accounts were accepted: Proposed by ML, Seconded by GW

Election of Committee members and officers:

All members agreed to continue to stand

- Marty Lee (Chair)
- Hannah Walters (Secretary)
- Guy Walters (Treasurer)
- Jim Eccleston
- Kate Morss

It was noted that this leaves one vacant seat.

All Committee members agreed to abide by the Code of Conduct for Community Councillors.

<p>Standing Items:</p> <p>Secretary's report: There have been no planning applications and a couple of opportunities for funding, but none that look relevant at the moment. All other correspondence relates to items covered below.</p> <p>Treasurer's Report: Opening balance for 2022-2023 was 1243.00, of which 519.62 is the remnants of the covid support payment from SBC. True CCC balance was 723.38 Payments this period for the bench in the rock field (534) and gravel for path repairs (151.98). The bench was bought with the balance of the covid monies and supplemented by CCC, clearing the balance of covid support money. CCC balance is 557.02</p> <p>Patsy Campbell gave formal thanks on behalf of the church for the work involved in purchasing and erecting the Christmas tree.</p> <p>Police Report: Nothing pertaining to Carlops, however, ML noted attempted thefts of quad bikes from a neighbouring farm and Penicuik Estate, vigilance is required.</p> <p>Roads:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ A query was raised regarding the proposed return to 30mph in the southern half of the village. JS noted that a 30mph speed would reduce the number of impatient drivers who are currently overtaking dangerously - this would continue without enforcement or a changed road environment to discourage speeding.	<p>Info</p> <p>Info</p> <p>Info</p> <p>All</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ML encouraged residents to write individual letters/emails to Traffic Scotland for greater impact. 	All
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A request was again made for a FOI application on recent traffic surveys – raw data to be made available to residents. 	ML
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It was suggested that we could also request monitoring surveys at the points where well used paths cross the road. JS noted that we could commission these privately at a cost of approx. £300. 	
<p>Projects:</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorial Well: It has been cleaned and pipework rodded, but is still slow – thought to be blocked in the field between the 2 tanks. MN asked whether JK would gift it to the village, ML noted that CCC is not able to take ownership, but the village could look to practical action and ask JK for permission to dig out area to rear. KM queried the arrangement for the orchard behind post-box – could we have same for the well? HW to ask Jason Hubert if it is leased. 	GW
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rock Field: Gravel has been ordered, GW to contact Michael Pryor to ask for help from Tweeddale Paths group. 	HW
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little Sparta concessionary entry: HW spoke to Laura Robertson who agreed this for Carlops residents. Query whether this needs to be formalised, HW to check. 	GW
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone box: Offers of help to prepare surfaces for painting and purchase of paint received from 2 residents. Volunteers needed to remove glazing and door. Paint and glazing bars to be ordered. 	HW
<p>AOB:</p>	All
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carlops Games and Sports to return on 19th June, help and baking requested. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scroggy Brae (Rogers Rigg – Newhall) footpath. JS noted that once Kitley Brig becomes unpassable, Scroggy Brae is the only way into Newhall and to link to the Core Path. GW to contact Erica Niven regarding status of Core path if bridge collapses (already condemned by her dept at SBC). ML will speak to JN about stabilising path at Rogers Rigg with Hardcore. JH advised that the mystery padlock on the gate at Amazondean has been removed. 	ML/ GW
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A suggestion was made to hold occasional ‘pop-up pub’ nights at the hall – ML may be able to facilitate with licence, CVC happy to host. TBA. 	Info
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re: Query regarding benches on Green – both are present. 	

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Date and Time of Next AGM: 8pm, 25th May 2023

Date and Time of Next Meeting: 8pm, 28th July 2022

Meetings will be held in Carlops Village Centre and via Zoom – link on Carlops.net

<https://zoom.us/j/96119152788?pwd=NGF5YjgxNHkySS9PZDIKMTI6N212UT09>

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