

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: R.Jardine, 13, Abbotsford Place, Stirling Tel: 465608
Secretary: I.McKean, 13, Argyll Avenue, Stirling Tel: 470206

Minutes of Meeting held in Riverbank Centre on Wednesday 30th August 2006

In Attendance: I.McKean, I.Giorska, R.Jardine, A.Gilchrist, P.McBeth
Cllr. McKean, PC.Colville, C.Bauer (SAMH)
11 residents

Apologies A.Strang, A.Graham.

Minutes of 21st June 2006 - Moved A.Graham - Seconded I.Giorska

Matter Arising from June Minutes

Harlequin bus service - secretary reported she had contacted operator about concerns raised. It was noted that since then the bus in question had not been in use on the Riverside route.

Bus passes to school - This matter had now been resolved.

Community Police Report

PC Colville reported that she had received apologies from W.Lyons regarding neighbourhood watch scheme as he had intended to come and talk to meeting. She informed the meeting that anyone resident in the area around Q/Haugh Drive interested in the scheme should contact her or W.Lyons where every assistance would be given to residents.

A number of residents had reported bogus callers which she had followed up on. She re-iterated the importance of reporting anyone residents were suspicious of even if they turned out to be genuine.

A number of vehicles had been damaged in Forth Crescent and Waverley Crescent and suspects admitted offences.

PC Colville informed the meeting that a Cold Calling – No Zone pilot scheme was being set up in the west of Scotland.

As Riverside seems to be a constant target for cold calling and bogus workmen she asked that the community as a whole consider becoming a pilot area. This would involve a public meeting to gauge community feeling with police advising on how this would be put into practise.

PC Colville had put cards in Post Office and over 50,s club for residents to put in their windows to stop cold calling.

Residents reported a number of issues about noise and gang of teenagers using the shrubbery area and the damage they were causing. She said anything of concern must be reported. PC Colville can be e-mailed or phoned at Police headquarters.

Chair thanked PC Colville for her report and support to the community.

Safer Routes to School.

A public meeting held in the school on Thursday 17th August had seen a high and representative turnout of residents affected by the proposals.

Members and residents agreed that the community councils response to the proposals would be as followed.

- In favour of 20mph speed limit and if possible to be extended to whole of Riverside.
- No one way system - with the exception of Forth Crescent. If no-one way system required, then no need to move bus shelter from Argyll Ave to Alexandra Place.
- Agree waiting restrictions on Forth Street
- Agree yellow lines in Forrest Road and Argyll Avenue
- Agree Not Suitable for Buses sign in Rosebery Place
- Agree that crossing in Dean Crescent should be sited further along than proposed and that a pedestrian survey be carried out to identify crossing point.

It was also agreed that the community council should raise the matter of teachers parking with the school board.

PC Colville said that she would be pairing up with a traffic warden and making regular visits around the school area due to the number of traffic complaints and parking issues.

Housing Application - Forth Street

I.Gorska outlined the planning application to the meeting.

It was agreed that this application should not be supported and that I.Gorska would furnish the planning department with our objections in the usual way.

Any Other Business

Rowing Club Centenary Celebrations. Community invited to the Rowing Club on 16th September between 1pm and 4pm. Provost Colin O'Brien would be in attendance and presentation of a new club flag would be presented to the club which the community council had given £200 towards its purchase.

Provosts Awards - The community council had nominated Sandra Edwards and Andy Muir of the post office but was unsuccessful.

The community council recognises the important contribution Sandra and Andy make to residents and hope that this may be recognised for future awards.

Miners Memorial - To be held in Cowie on Saturday 9th Sept.

Date of next Meeting

It was agreed that as the council elections will be held in October the next meeting will be held as soon as possible after inaugural meeting of new community council has taken place.

The Chair gave a vote of thanks to members, PC Colville and Cllr Mckean for their input and support to the community.