

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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

Minutes of Meeting held in the Riverbank Centre on Wednesday 28th. March 2007

In Attendance: R. Jardine, I Gorska, R Thornton, A Graham. Cllr. C McKean Farquhar Wilson.
Residents: 6
Apologies P.C. L. Colville J Docherty, A Gilchrist, P. McBeth, I McKean A Strang

Chairs Welcome

Chair welcomed and thanked all attending the Meeting.

Minutes of Meeting of 28th February 2007. Proposed A Graham. Seconded R. Thornton.

Community Police Report.

There was no report provided for the month of March.

Forthside Update.

Farquhar Wilson gave a very informative update on the Forthside Development. The cinema complex is on schedule and the foundations and drainage for the wooden frames for the Residential Development will soon be underway. The proposed height of the housing is not yet known, but it is estimated to be approximately 35 feet. Farquhar will try to get the information for the next meeting.

The temporary car park is near completion and high standard lighting is due to be installed. The Railway car park will close on 16/04/07 and the new temporary car park will open on the same date. Publicity leaflets will be available in the local Press i.e. the Shopper & the Observer, as well as in the Riverside paper shop & Post Office. These leaflets will contain details of all changes and procedures taking place from 16/04/07 and new signage will also be put in place to direct the public. Particulars of the parking and charges will also be explained. We were made aware that a facility to buy train tickets would be made available at the back entrance to the station whilst the temporary car park is in operation.

Farquhar in reply to questioning gave an insight into the positioning of the new bridge and also an estimation as to the siting and size of the proposed Station Square. The bridge will be for the use of pedestrians and the new home owners at the Development, as well as the general public.

Farquhar gave two contact numbers where he can be reached. 01786 442586 or 01786 442888

Any other business:

Dog Bins in Riverside Drive The vandalising of these bins has been reported by Cllr. McKean.

Tree pruning in Forth Crescent: Cllr McKean reported that this will be attended to.

Barrier at the swimming pool: The barrier is not yet in place but some people causing nuisance in the car park in the evening have been fined. It is hoped that this will prove a deterrent as well as the proposed C.C.T.V.

Upgrading of paths and railings along the river: Cllr. McKean gave assurances that this matter is well in hand. Negotiations are under way for the budget for this project. There is no money required for extra classrooms at Riverside Primary School, and this may be another source of funding for the work needed.

Grass cutting is now underway and there will be 16 cuttings per season due to additional resourcing for the season 2007/08. Les Goodfellow will keep in touch with the Community Council re. the grass cutting and there will be ongoing consultation. The outside perimeter of Waverley Park which was previously the responsibility of the Play Services will now be cut as part of the programme.

Derelict Garages. at the rear of the shops in Forth Crescent: The owners of the garages have been identified and have been written to advising them that the garages have to be demolished. If they fail to comply there will be a compulsory order issued.

The Riverside Drive signpost at the Sutherland Avenue corner is in need of repair/replacement. Cllr McKean to report on.

Semi detached houses at Wallace Gate: Isabella Gorska told the meeting that the planning permission for two semi detached houses to be built in space between Rosebery Terrace & Wallace Gate had been refused.

Islands at Dean Crescent & James Street junction. Work was meant to have started on 5th of March but has not commenced yet. It was suggested that it may well be done during the school holidays at Easter.

Mr. Pedder's planning request to build on ground opposite Forth View.:Mr. Pedder has been requested to supply a structural engineer's report

Street names for new Forthside development housing:It was suggested that as well as the Community Council , we should involve Riverside Primary school children in the naming project as was done at Cooperage Quay.It was felt this would be a good idea.

Bus stop at Millar Place:It was asked if it would be feasible to have double yellow lines painted here as vehicles park at the stop . This makes getting on the bus difficult for more elderly passengers as they have to go on to the road where there is no rise to help them get up the step

.Post Watch Scotland:This issue deals with the closing dates for selected Post Offices.The run out dates for closure will be given some time this year, but it was felt it would be advisable to wait until they are publicised before any action can be taken.

Uncooperative private tenants:People having problems with such people were advised to contact the Environmental Health

Abbeyview; The meeting was advised no planning permission as yet has been granted .