

Baldernock Community Council

Minutes Meeting July 8th 2024

Present : Lesley Wiseman (Temporary Chair), Celia Burns (Minutes), Elaine Reid, Liz Miscampbell, Anne McNair (Planning)

Councilor – Collette McDiarmid, PC – Adrian Adams

Apologies: James Beattie, Fiona Grier, Mags Harwood, Niall Logan, Elspeth Fulton

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting – accepted
2. Matters Arising - Elaine Reid and Tennis Club – at present club house due to condition unable to accommodate children. Celia Burns – contact with Roads under Correspondence. Film passed to Church. Fergus Donaldson advised to consult with EDC. Contact with Police under Police. Dog Waste bins – Jackie Gillespie asking for details of where dog fouling bins would be situated. At present Church Hall remains unsold and will keep in contact with the church over future arrangements.
3. Treasurers Report – Mags Harwood supplied details of Financial situation. Current balance is £518.03. Since the last meeting we have paid £35 for our Stop Climate Challenge membership and £114.59 for our insurance. Our annual accounts have been emailed to EDC but as yet no response.
4. Police Matters – PC Adrian Adams kindly attended the meeting. There has been no crime in the area. The Police have focused on Road safety and have managed a number of speeding tickets plus uninsured vehicles. There was a discussion as to the best time to accommodate the Police Mobile Unit in the area. It was agreed that the school would be a good venue and **Celia to talk to Jill Carr** when school returns. It was agreed that there is considerable dangerous speeding on the back roads. We were advised that to phone in details registration is helpful – phone 999. The problems with electric scooter's was highlighted, which are not legal to be driven on the roads. Again contacting the police helpful. It was thought that the charging of green bins would increase fly tipping. Again the police rely on members of the public to report, phoning 101. Concern was expressed over the impact of road closures and the use of back roads for unsuitable vehicles. This is EDC responsibility and Councilor Collette McDiarmid agreed to follow this up. It was suggested that there should be further notices alerting drivers to the unsuitable of the back roads. PC Adams alerted us to the possibly to the police doing an 'environmental scan' on properties to help with security. **Celia to obtain further information on this.** He had no information on the break in Balmore. PC Adams left the meeting after being thanked for his attendance.

5. **Correspondence** – EDC is currently preparing a new Strategic Plan for 2025 – 2030. The Community Council is encouraged to become involved and the consultation website is www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/hscp-strategic-plan-2025-2030-consultation. It was agreed **that Celia would be circulated** to the community via our emails. The consultation ends on 23rd August 2024 before our next meeting. An email was received from a member of the community asking whether we would consider offering for the church hall. The condition of the church hall is not suitable for purchase! An email was received regarding a note in our March minutes regarding a change of use from agricultural use. There was an error in the entry in our March minutes. **Anne to look into this.** Correspondence from the roads department are under Roads.
6. **Roads** – A letter has been received from the roads department concerning the signage of bike routes in the area. They are to do a survey. The road in Balmore remains a problem, between golf course road and the beginning of the new tarmac on Tower Road. Councilor Colette McDiarmid to look into this. It was advised that a resident on the old Auchinhowie Road has not had her recycling bins collected. She was present at the meeting and will liaise with the Councilor on this matter.
7. **Planning** – Anne McNair – our objection to the size and nature of the house planned in Glenorchard Road has been dismissed and this planning application has been accepted by EDC. There was no objection to a planning application for a balcony in Stelene in Bardowie. Crosslands in Balmore has an application for internal changes and dormer windows. The neighbors have been consulted and there is no objection.
8. **Church Hall** – no news on the church hall and it was agreed we keep in close contact with the church. Alternatives to meeting would be the church, the sailing club and the golf club. These to be further explored.
9. **Woodland planting** – we were unable to discuss this as neither Mags, Christine nor Elspeth were present.
10. **Baldernock Trust** –
 - Successful hustings meeting
 - Last call for photos for the Callander – discussion over whether these should be titled.
 - ROW is still being explored.
 - Broadband – total of 436 properties in our community fibre partnership and another 39 in the process.
 - Still exploring effective options for the community Callander.

11. **Information Leaflet for the community** – We hope this to be a joint venture between the Community Council and the Baldernock Trust. A printed leaflet and there were discussion as to what this should include. The possibility of advertising local businesses.
12. **AOB** – A General discussion regarding the new payment for green bins and how to go about this application.

Next meeting of the community council September 9th, 2024. Venue as yet to be confirmed.