

LOANS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes 10 April 2024

Loans Village Hall

Present: David Chalmers - Acting Chair, Sheila Paton, Fred McCrory, John Pritchard, Keith Mason

Apologies: John Williamson, Audrey Gatt, Veronica Hickman

Other attendee Michele McCrory

1.0 WELCOME BY CHAIRMAN

1.1 The Chairman (DC) welcomed all attendees.

2.0 POLICE REPORT

2.1 DC confirmed that he has received the monthly Police Report and there is nothing to report.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

3.1 Acceptance of the Minutes of the 13th March 2024: Proposed by Fred McCrory and seconded by John Pritchard

4.0 MATTERS ARISING

4.1 DC confirmed that there have been no further updates on funding requests and no responses to chasers sent to the Ward Councillor.

4.2 The defibrillator was inspected today by DC as there is a requirement to do this every three months. New pads will be required as they run out on the 1st June

4.3 DC wrote to Ayrshire Roads Alliance about the perceived danger of Seaview Terrace junction. The response was that this would not be covered in Phase 3 of the Loans to Troon cycle path and dialogue continues on this point

5.0 REPORT BY TREASURER

5.1 Our Bank Statement currently shows £978.90 which includes the £500 donation for the upkeep of the Village defibrillator.

5.2 DC noted that we are currently paying rent for the Hall to hold the Council meetings which we pay to the Council and then have to claim back

5.3 There were no questions regarding the Treasurer's Report.

6.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS/FORUM

6.1 PLACE PLANNING DISCUSSION

DC provided feedback to Audrey Gatt on the Place Planning questionnaire and overall the length has not been reduced but some of the changes to the wording has been accepted. Once the form updates have been made and finalised,

Audrey will provide boxes for people to return their completed forms. These will be located at the Loans Inn, in the Village Hall and also the Petrol Station.

Posters will be provided that will confirm all the locations that the paper forms can be submitted. The posters will also contain the QR code which links to the online version of the form. DC confirmed he has done a test using both formats and it took 45 mins to complete the paper version and 15 mins to do the online one.

6.2 THE UPCOMING AGM

DC took a moment to reflect on the achievements of the Council in 2023 as this will form part of the agenda for the AGM. Achievements noted were:

1. Sorted out the storm water problem from Crummieholm area of the Village and channel is now connected to the drain
2. Got two additional bus shelters
3. The number 14 bus now goes to Ayr Hospital and can get residents of Loans there in time for a 9:00 appointment

DC requested help from the Committee for input on targets for the Community Council in 2024.

DC also confirmed the summary of 2023 will also cover disappointing progress due to limited funding requests being approved to enable some targeted projects going ahead.

SP suggested priorities for 2024 should include getting a good % of responses to the Place Planning questionnaire to support funding requests and also pushing for increased attendance/Council membership and participation.

7.0 NEXT MEETING

The next public meeting will be 8th May 2024 at 7pm and this will also be the AGM

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