

## Monkton Community Council Meeting

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023

7pm – Carvick Webster Hall

### Attendance

Harry Middleditch	Monkton Community Council
Susan Pike	Monkton Community Council
William Brown	Monkton Community Council
David Jack	Monkton Community Council
William Pike	Monkton Community Council
Ewan Orr	Monkton Community Council
Nancy Dobbie	Monkton Community Council
Anna Manson	Monkton Community Council
Euan Sockell	Monkton Community Council
Gillian Anderson	Link Officer SAC
Stephen Ferry	SAC Elected member
Julie Dettbarn	SAC Elected Member

Apologies: Allan Manson MCC

<b>Record of Meeting – Notes</b>	<b>Actions / Comments</b>
<p><b><u>Chair –Welcome</u></b></p> <p>Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting at the Carvick Webster Hall. House rules covered fire alarms, emergency exits, toilets etc. Please switch off or have mobile phones on silent. Any points from the public please put through the Chair. Welcomed – Gillian Anderson SAC Link Officer, Lynda and Ellen from Sweco and David Manson from ARA</p> <p>Apologies from Allan Manson MCC on holiday</p> <p><b><u>Declaration of Interest</u></b></p> <p>None</p>	
<p><b><u>Community Engagement Ayrshire Growth Deal –Update SWECO and ARA</u></b></p> <p>Public event, Surveys – 125 responses total, answers being analysed, <b><u>high level results</u></b> provided. Post code info, divided by residential or behalf of business. Expanded map of people outside of Monkton for responses also given.</p> <p>Sheet one – general information, 80% within or close to Monkton, local knowledge given. Key facts in terms of what they’re currently looking at – 68% regarding traffic calming measures (mixed responses), traffic calming and speed are almost equally high priorities. Poor design for traffic calming in terms of actually slowing vehicles down (note, due to allowing larger vehicles through). 2<sup>nd</sup> priority is speeding, 3<sup>rd</sup> is lack of policing of the measures (to be understood with regards to what policing is referring to, the detail of whether this is police and speed traps, or policing of priority etc.)</p> <p>Further breakdown on page 3 regarding types and methods of travel through the village, road safety, accessibility etc.</p> <p>Traffic survey to be carried out before schools close for June. Will be completed within the next two weeks. Consent from AMEY (David Manson ARA to chase this up) needed</p>	<p>To look at the school promoting the kids going out the back gate, less parking etc. and less risk of going out into the main road (Harry to speak to head teacher at the school)</p>

<p>before survey can start, 7 full days to be done before holidays. Will be more cameras and monitoring devices than previously used, resulting in more in depth results, will measure, speed, classification and group (where vehicles are coming and going from).</p> <p>Chair updated – traffic calming was started 2021 and still has not been finished. David Manson ARA – looking at results from historic and current surveys carried out within regards to traffic calming, and also use this to analyse and determine amount of impact they have made.</p> <p>August meeting – SWECO are looking to have reviewed both surveys, progressing through STAG, may have further public engagement before next MCC meeting, to discuss key factors. Relies on traffic survey results being back, ECD hopefully before then.</p> <p>Assurance given by Sweco that the detailed MCC response sent to Sweco will be taken on board and form part of the analytics from the report. Thriving communities also highlighted traffic and this should be taken on board and be included in overall outcomes.</p> <p>Currently being looked at for R&amp;O relating to Ayrshire Growth Deal. Opportunities and interventions available. Full compliance process needs to be carried out, early stages; no timeframe can be given currently on resolutions being put in place. (David Manson ARA-STAG is planned for early next year, could be 12 months on top. 2 years from now is estimated time frame before road is considered for viability – dependant on criteria to go back to the Scottish Government). Priorities have also changed within growth deal, criteria to be readjusted and discussed.</p> <p>Continue to highlight traffic calming issues to David Manson and ARA. Funds have been approved for Road Safety, needs to be looked at prior to growth deal consultations. Options to look at alternate traffic calming measures. Also competing against other villages with road safety, priority list, funds may not be used in Monkton – August time for responses.</p>	
<p><b><u>Glasgow Prestwick Airport Consultative Committee update – William Brown MCC</u></b></p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> June meeting held. Airport has strong activity just now. Consulting committee is mandatory for all airports. Airport deeming info as commercially sensitive so not much is being passed on. PIDs are because the airports are taking security seriously, they are on a trial basis. Increased traffic because of operation Air Defender exercise, Europe wide, American lead. 92% take up by passengers across all Ryanair routes. Royal Mail is looking at drone cargo flights, tests have been successful over black sea, looking like strong potential. Airport is pushing for spaceport licence after withdrawal of virgin licence. Land Purchase agent has been replaced – looking to purchase land for spaceport, 2024 launch ECD, breaks are currently on because they don't have the land, 9-12 months to build any required building, 18-24 to obtain licence to launch from the government, the company (name needed) looking to be the launch company have announced they have 8 other countries that they could use with little modification to aircraft needed.</p> <p>20-30 million £ short fall in growth budget. Likely only to get worse.</p> <p>SAC looking for training building, approaching colleges / universities to ask for money to develop this (issue with them having their own premises that could be taught from). Also compulsory redundancies from higher education facilities.</p> <p>Councillor from North Ayrshire was in attendance and limited to what he could say. All local councillors, Hollyrood &amp; Westminster all have to agree on budget, plans etc.</p>	

<p><b><u>St Cuthbert's Church –Update William Brown MCC</u></b>  Renovation work needed before collapse. Difficulty establishing responsibility for the church, now SAC have been deemed responsible in response to Mike Newall. A full structural survey has been completed and repair requirements needed. Short term, access to be restricted. Currently on hold with regards to any repairs. Ongoing since 2018.</p>	<p>Secretary MCC to contact Mike Newall and ask for copy of the report of survey and ask for low cost intervention to stop the tree causing further issues</p> <p>Elected Members/Councillors to contact MN with regards to this as well</p>
<p><b><u>Matters arising from Previous minutes 18/06/2023</u></b>  <b><u>Actions Cllr Dettbarn – Actions outstanding from February 2023 meeting</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Empty bottles being disposed of at cemetery</li> <li>• Hedge/fence near cemetery where gap exists</li> </ul> <p>Julie Dettbarn chasing response again. No response yet to anyone.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planters for Monkton? Has also been raised is part of the tourism budget and has indicated should not just be seaside towns that receive</li> </ul> <p>New four tiered planters will be provided; MCC will look after the upkeep. Compost to be provided, potentially plants.</p> <p>Councillor Dettbarn action from April's meeting to check whether drop in new year event at Carvick Webster Hall could be policed by MCC</p> <p>Minutes from 18/05/2023 MCC meeting proposed by David Jack MCC and seconded by Ewan Orr MCC</p>	<p>Outstanding still to be actioned</p> <p>Still waiting on response. JD will follow up</p> <p>Minutes would now be posted on MCC website and Community notice board Secretary send copy to SAC</p>
<p><b><u>Secretary Correspondence</u></b></p> <p>Event at Cutty Sark Centre for asset transfers etc. Anna Manson will attend date 21/06/23</p> <p><b><u>Kilmarnock Road Entrance to Persimmon Site</u></b>  Discussion held regards adoption of road by ARA and subsequent opening for general traffic use. Seems to be some confusion between residents and Persimmon site agent on who is responsible  Ewan Sockell MCC drafted a letter for Secretary to be sent to ARA seeking clarification on situation. Completed and response below :</p> <p>Update from David Manson ARA - Persimmons are still responsible for that road, currently still construction traffic usage, not willing to final surface before its complete. Appears they have resurfaced some areas with excess tar. David Manson will stay current with it.</p>	
<p><b><u>Treasurers Report –Allan Manson June 2023 Accounts</u></b></p> <p>Allan Manson absent, apologies given.</p>	

<p>£578 from bingo evening</p> <p>Full discussion at next meeting.</p>	
<p><b><u>Planning Update –Ewan Orr</u></b></p> <p>No new applications for discussion.</p> <p><b><u>Persimmon – Use of Suds pond from Mays Meeting</u></b>  Discussion on ground water dispersion from Persimmon site. SUDS pond does not appear to be operational. Clarification required on what is currently being done and what was agreed  Ewan Orr to write to SAC planning seeking clarification</p> <p>Ewan Orr has chased up persimmons with regards to pipe connection to the burn, ongoing discussions. But limit for timescales has passed.</p>	
<p><b><u>Events Carvick Webster Hall –Update David Jack MCC</u></b>  Councillor Dettbarn action from Aprils meeting to to check whether drop in new year event at Carvick Webster Hall could be policed by MCC</p> <p>BINGO Evening 9<sup>th</sup> June – went really well. Used subsidised funds from South Ayrshire destinations grant. Ran at a slight loss but this was expected.  83 tickets sold positive feedback.</p> <p>Ideas for future events – October comedy night. Family quiz night, tribute act (Freddie Mercury 2024 for that). Race night.</p> <p>Friday bingo nights – BYOB, every 4 weeks proposed, during winter. Use old bingo machine, volunteer to do the calling.</p> <p>Family treasure hunt. Silent disco. Wreathe making class. Living in Monkton event again.  Live music night.</p>	<p>As above</p>
<p><b><u>Regular Reports</u></b>  <u>Police Report - no one in attendance and not much to report</u></p> <p>Bikes stolen, various bins stolen, fires set.</p> <p>Safety issue of holes in field being highlighted. Council to get in touch with land owner to ensure safety.</p> <p><b><u>SAC Link Officer Gillian Anderson</u></b></p> <p>Answer still needed and being chased regarding who is responsible for the “bit at the side” at Carvick Webster Hall. Weeds and can look untidy.</p> <p>No update on benefit wish list grant, end of month update. Issues with sickness and change in systems.</p> <p><b><u>Cllr Dettbarn</u></b></p> <p>Nothing</p>	<p>Police Report available on request</p>

**Clr Ferry**

Proposal for the upgrades to the hall going ahead. Including cinema proposal (projector, sound system etc. new lighting rig and curtains done upgraded seating) Needs voted on and agreed, but preliminary feeling is all in favour.

Interior has been painted recently and is fine, question on does the exterior need painted? Answer yes, the exterior needs some TLC.

**Speeding Awareness Competition for Children in the Community –Chair Updated**

Proposal for all kids in Monkton to create speeding awareness posters as a competition. Have it printed onto large boards at entrances to village, fomex board 5mm thick £25 each 2ft x 4ft approx. £40 for larger boards. Competition at beginning of school year. Discussion over additional posters out with the entrances.

Funding and prizes, £500. Agreed and accepted by MCC.

**Funding Request – Dance School Monkton-Caitlin Fitzpatrick**

Lots of interest regarding posts on FB. Hoping to start mid July. Open to between 5-18 years. Currently Wednesday and Friday evenings, 45 kids so far wanting to join. Hip hop, contemporary etc. styles. Initially just for fun, no competitions etc. Something local for them to do. Potential for future competitions if kids are interested on voluntary basis. Plans for yearly showcase.

Hall hire is £14 ph, £112pm. Logos, flyers etc. needed. Sound system required and uniforms for kids initially, will be the big upfront costs (branded t-shirt) avoids kids not having uniforms if parents can't afford.

£5 per class, first class is free.

Initial costings are approx. £800 - £1000 mostly one off upfront costs.

Susan to send other funding stream options to Caitlin.

Dougie Boyle, Brown Brother printing ask for options, contact to be given.

**MCC Website Update Euan Sockell MCC**

Website has been updated and made a bit clearer and easier to read. Updated pictures of events needed. New community pictures added.

Local business tab could be updated – contact us tab goes to Euan. Local small businesses should be included; all details can be added.

Further advertisement of the website needed, will be done through all forms of social media.

**Gala Feedback**

Gala was a success. Everything was able to be outside due to weather. Could have done with more shelter due to warm weather, hard to predict and plan for, smaller gazebo etc. perhaps needed for future years. More food options, perhaps on the park as well.

Secretary sent Caitlin funding alert information

<p>Additional helpers needed.</p> <p><b><u>Cosy places</u></b>  Add to website  Continues to run, bus trip next Wednesday 21/06/2023 to South Lanark to garden centres etc. funding is for all of the community to benefit, further bus trip to Castle Douglas for the 13<sup>th</sup> July free of charge, not many taken up – to be re-advertised.</p> <p><b><u>Youth club for kids</u></b>  To be taken up with SAC thriving communities to see if it can be council supported. Previous years have had various options to do.</p> <p>Resignation of member- Chair thanked William Pike for support and time given for MCC and all wished him well.</p>	<p>Secretary to send Euan Sockell MCC information for web site</p> <p>Councillor Dettbarn to check this out</p>
<p>Closing thanks from the Chair and thank you for attending. Next meeting will be Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> August 2023. No Meeting in July.</p>	

