

Gateside & District Community Association
Minutes 10th November 2016 7.30pm Memorial Hall

Present: Jane Macnaughton, Andrew Macnaughton, Hannah Phillips, Bobby Thompson, Babs Bernard, Bill Gillan, Frankie Carslake, Kathryn Wright, Susan Jack, Maud Gall, David Cowling, Valerie Weir, Colin Stewart, Beryl Cowling

In attendance: Cllr Donald Lothian, PC Graeme Whittaker

Apologies: Teri Gillan, Bryan Morrice, Emma Morgan, Norma Robertson, Ruwan Fernando, Kate Fernando

Minutes Proposed: Susan Jack, Seconded: Jane Macnaughton

Community Matters

1. PC Kristin Bellingham has contacted local lorry firms and quarries to try to educate drivers re speeding issues. Please report specific registration numbers or companies. There were no recorded crimes in Gateside since the last meeting. Rural crime has been an issue in Newburgh and Cupar. Unfortunately road safety events were poorly attended.
2. Colin Stewart attended the meeting to report vandalism, and made an appointment to speak to PC Graeme Whittaker as this is a private issue.
3. Maud Gall asked Cllr Donald Lothian if he could see if the Auchtermuchty "Slow Down" signs could be checked for accuracy as they flash regardless of actual speed driven.
4. A road closure on Station Road is due, and details will be forwarded with these minutes.
5. Bus shelter maintenance was discussed.
6. Rural recycling facilities are being reviewed and this has led to a decrease in the amount of brown bin food waste bags which are provided FOC to Fife residents. Bags will still be delivered but less frequently, as surveys suggest less are required than are at present delivered.
7. Grit bin at hall has been purchased. DM will install it. Thank you, David. HP to inform DL by email that this is now in place.
8. DC brought up issue of Old Town being classed as a "private road" by Fife Council and refuted this claim in strong terms, with which AM agreed. None of the road is currently maintained including the street lighting.
9. Overhanging trees on main road have been cut back. Thanks RB.
10. Steps at the mill path have been partly replaced but there is still some work to be done. No railings in place. BM to please check if more work to be done.

Events

- Family Ceilidh. Friday 2nd December 7-9pm. Donations of home baking would be appreciated on the night, as well as raffle prizes. KW volunteered to do vote of thanks. HP will advertise on social media.
- Christmas Eve Service 2pm. JM to add to hall diary.
- Christmas Party: This will be Sunday 11th December 2-4 pm and all children of the village are welcome.

- Seniors Christmas Lunch. This will take place on Thursday 22nd Dec at 12.30 for 1pm. Heaven Scent booked to cater. School children to sing at 2.30pm. HP Grants being applied for. Invitations will be hand-delivered KW and HP.
- Wreath-making evening booked for Friday 16th December. HP
- Burns Night 2017 to replace Hogmanay event 2016.

Bank Balance: £10, 231.36

Next meeting: AGM 8 December 2016. Emma Morgan and Jane McNaughton will be standing down.