

Gateside & District Community Association
Minutes 14th January 2016 7.30pm Memorial Hall

Present: Jane Macnaughton, Hannah Phillips, Teri Gillan, Bobby Thompson, Valerie Weir, Norma Robertson, Grace Cronie, Frankie Carslake, Andrew Macnaughton, George Gall, Kenny Ferns, Kat Wright, Bryan Morrice

Apologies: Sue Whisler, Emma Morgan, Ruwan Fernando

In attendance: Councillor – Donald Lothian (DL)

Minutes Proposed: Teri Gillan, Seconded; A Macnaughton

Community Matters

1. EM to purchase Grit Bin which will be placed against wall next to pavement outside the hall for use in that area, DL to be contacted when it has arrived. Will be filled by council along with others.
2. Speeding: 2 drivers were recently caught doing 32mph in a 20mph zone. Still a high intensity presence of police vehicles in Gateside for which we are grateful. "Pop up Bob" is coming to Gateside, he is a realistic looking policeman replacement who will be stationed in the village to act as a speeding deterrent.
3. Drumdreel road in need of repair. Some action has been taken at Station Road. DL to contact transportation about this. Now that there are some dry weather spells this work can be undertaken.
4. Broadband – no further progress to report, this is still underway
5. Kenny Ferns suffering flooding issues. A relief ditch in the field would take water off the field and down to the burn. GG spoke to land registry and wrote letter detailing action plan. Community association will send to C G Greig on his behalf along with map. Pat Lambert to receive copy of letter.
6. Community Paths Grant of £1500 available. It was decided best use of money would be to repair Station Road steps at bridge at gate leading down to mill path which have deteriorated. Elmwood college students could be asked to help with pathwork. £1500 in labour costs to be matched by fund.
7. Bower Park has some flooding of drains outside no 7 and no 5. Drains require emptying. DL to report.
8. Grit bin at top of mill road still has the lid wedged open, could this please be looked at DL.

Refurbishment.

- Oil now replaced.
- Paint shortly to be removed from windowsills and repainted black. Also to add floodlight to car park side of hall, and sand and re-stain the main double doors with black gloss. Insulation in the roof also to be looked at.
- RF to try out damp metre again. Damp problem now looking better with heating on low and vents open. KF to do in his absence please.
- EM to confirm if electric supplier now moved please.
- Plasterboard panels to be looked at to hide mess on walls. BM to look at silitex chipboard for walls. To be level with coat hooks.
- Noticeboards – prices around £468 white/cream with internal light. Wall mounted – BM to see if drilling will be ok. Old one to be refurbished – ask Mr Gerrie. To be further discussed prior to next meeting by sub committee.
- PVC banner also to be purchased KW/HP for film nights. Website address to go on bottom. AJ to be consulted.
- A few slates off roof. BM to arrange a fix.

Events

- WRI bingo tea 11th March.
- Film night going ahead - Sunset Song – Date now April 22. 7.30pm start.
- Gateside Gallop. RF organising. Wednesday 7th September.
- Seniors Christmas Lunch 2016 – if this is to be repeated to replace bus trip, £500 would need to be raised. Intergenerational input from school encouraged. Get Heaven Scent in to cater for meal for 40 in hall as a fundraiser with raffle, this would be great night out and would raise funds for Seniors Lunch. Could combine with race night/cabaret.

AOB

Shelving for back room to be considered

Another shed to be considered for outside

Teri has asked if the Rural could please put own chairs to back of hall to help her after their meetings. Finishing time for meetings agreed as 10pm unless committee are otherwise informed.

Next meeting 10.3.16 at 7.30pm