

Gateside & District Community Association
Minutes 11 May 2017 7.30pm Memorial Hall

Present: Hannah Phillips, Kathryn Wright, Bobby Thompson, Bill Gillan, Frankie Carslake, Babs Bernard, Norma Robertson, Susan Jack, Valerie Weir, Bryan Morrice, Elma Brown

Apologies: Grace Cronie, PC Kristin Bellingham , PC Graeme Whittaker

Minutes Proposed: Valerie Weir **Seconded:** Kathryn Wright

Community Matters

1. There has been no reported criminal activity this month. The community police officers have said they would happily do a talk for residents about avoiding scams. HP to as re a good time for this, preferably early evening, possibly directly before the next meeting. HP would publicise this in/using paper/posters /schoolchildren/email/radio/community associations locally.
2. Steps at the mill path. Thanks to Bryan for his work on the steps, it is much appreciated.
3. Spring planting went well, and planters are now in place either end of village. Thanks to all helpers, to SJ for sorting out compost, Norma for plants, Teri for watering plants and Ian for cutting the grass as well as everyone else who helped on the day.

Hall business

SJ has contacted Charlie Pryde re type of Kerosene hall uses – currently being charged for commercial and not domestic use. There is no reason we cannot use standard domestic fuel.

Bryan will check the oven door, which has been reported as not working.

WRI would like help with tables and chairs for events (e.g. Bingo night). Committee members happy to help, if they can let us know numbers of tables / chairs required for each event and ask us in advance re specific occasions.

Heating control panel – SJ to ask Charlie Pryde about easier controls that can be operated in a user friendly way.

Events

Film night to be A Street Cat Named Bob – Friday 19th May. Doors open 1845 for a 1930 start. Tickets £5 for adults and £3 for children. No need to book, just turn up. Everyone welcome – tuckshop operational but feel free to bring your own drinks.

Gateside Gallop 2017 to go ahead in August/September – date tbc. Good turn out expected.

Another fundraiser planned for October – quiz night.

Hogmanay band to be looked in to - BG

AOB

The same councillors have been re-elected at the local elections.

There was some concern over speeding cars in Bower Park and down Station Road, especially with young children out playing.

Grants available for Community Paths – HP to check closing date and investigate. Community Trust / People's Postcode to be investigated. Possible funding sources for film nights, wreath making, seniors lunch, Hogmanay.

SF asked us to bring up the suggestion of a youth club. HP to see if there is a need/want for this from the local youngsters. Sports equipment etc could be found through grants.

A letter was received from the Gateside Musical Society expressing their appreciation to the hall for supporting them while setting up their group. The committee were very happy to receive their letter and wish them well going forward.

Insurance to be looked at - SJ to check current insurers.

Bank balance – this was unavailable due to the process of a change in treasurer.

Next meeting: 1 June 2017 (due to elections on 8th June rendering hall busy)