

The Gateside & District Community Association
Minutes for 10th January 2013
In the Memorial hall

1. Present: Jane Macnaughton, Susan Jack, Kate Fernando, Grace Cronie, Donald Lothian, Andy Heer, Hannah Phillips, Bobby Thompson, Sandra Farrar, Kat Farrar, Teri Gillan, Frankie Carslake, Andrew Macnaughton, Lisa
2. Apologies: Emma Morgan, Valerie Weir, Alan Wright, Norma Robertson, Marcus Keavney
3. Minutes of last Meeting (1 correction Piano price is £ 175 not £750): proposed K Fernando; second A Macnaughton
4. Community matters:
 - Potholes on Dryside and up to Glen Lomond (particularly John Knox pulpit road area) are still in poor repair. Major potholes on A91 and on Dryside/ Station Rd all the way but worst at Drumdreel **DL**. DL advised can report on Council website.
 - Council have installed coloured bands and 30mph on the road at each end of the village to help reduce speeding.
 - Grit bin requested for Hall car park and recycling DL advised we can buy one and Council will fill it – agree to buy Bin – cost advised at £169. **JMC/SMJ**
 - Discussed Binn Farm supply of wood to Tullis Russell Biomass. Unclear what tonnage will be- suggested 80,000 tonnes pa min. There is no restriction on road use and Fife Transportation have approved transport plan. However, need to investigate actual likely lorry movements through Gateside- **AH**, and approach Transportation about views on roads ability to withstand multiple heavy vehicles long term - **DL**. AH to advise after attending Binn Farm forum on 19.2.13 with **SMJ** or **TG** if possible
 - T Gillan asked if it was possible to have a handrail next to steps across the green in Bower Park. **DL**
 - Drystane wall has loose boulders on Main Road next to upper field. Maintenance shared with owner of field (Mr Wilson), but **DL** to see if safety check possible for pavement.
5. Planning Applications:
 - Kinloch Quarry and Angle Park have applied for extension to quarrying licence.
 - There is a Public Consultation on On Shore Wind Turbines. Howe of Fife Capacity and Landscape assessment is available on Fife Direct.
6. Pedestrian gate entrance at church: Points outstanding as meeting with Mr Morris fell through:
 - Option to build wall alongside ours or replace our wall with new 1.5m wall to edge of old vestry. Agreed to allow replacement of our stone dyke wall with new wall providing work is done to prevent damage to second half of wall which is not replaced.
 - Mr Morris to be asked to submit new plan to Planners regarding this.
 - We will share maintenance and in return Mr Morris will build path from gate to front door.
 - Mr Morris has also asked to investigate drains to see if he can tie into our sewage system. Agreed to allow investigation by Scottish Water provided all works are made good. **AW** to communicate with Mr Morris
7. Report from refurb committee:
 - Need to re-render building. Grant possibly available from SITA as we are near Binn Farm. Refurb committee have filled in application, new quotes required for work. **AW**. Letters of support required **SMJ** asked if WRI would be able to provide a letter of support **G Cronie** to ask.
 - Floor requires re-surfacing. Options: £1800 for clean and re-polish; £3100 to re-sand and re-seal. Agreed to re-sand and seal. Apply for grants to assist **SW/SMJ/JMC/AW**
 - Photos for hall display – photos required **JMC**
 - Outstanding projects: signs/ noticeboards; folding chairs to replace red ones
8. Report from Events committee:
 - Gateside Gallop booked into Race calendar for 4.9.12
 - Ceildh/ stovie dance planned end of Feb/ March
 - Spring Fair coffee morning to include kids activities – March/ April

- Xmas party well attended – thanks to organising parents Hannah and Sue
- Dog Trials have booked the Hall
- Need ideas for fundraisers for next year.

8. Treasurer's report: £5562.65 T Gillan gave in £10 donation from her demonstration night – Thanks given.

9.AOCB:

- Piano not required and is up for sale from Music Education Dept – will be removed otherwise
- Thank you to be sent for Christmas tree donated to Hall from village shop **SMJ**
- Asked to consider using G Highland funds for Hall chairs **JMC/SMJ**
- A Macnaughton can put up news items on web page and is working with M Keaveney on linking this to Facebook page.
- Village email list is being compiled – aim to be able to deliver most of newsletters and information by email. **SMJ/ AMC/ R Fernando**
- Need to attract new people to committee – everyone to talk to anyone who might be interested in being involved

Date of next meeting: Agreed to hold this one week early as many people away on 14th February. So meeting at 7.30pm in Hall on **7th February 2013**