

The Gateside and District Community Association
Minutes for 13th October 2011

1. Present: Bobby Thompson, Susan Jack, Sandra Farrar, Katharine Farrar, , Frankie Carslake, Sue Whisler, Teri Gillan, Alan Wright, Valerie Weir, Hannah Phillips, Marcus Keaveney, Bill Gillan, Grace Cronie, George Gall, Kirsty McLellan
2. Apologies:, Jane Mcnaughton, David Cowling, Emma Morgan, Maureen Andrews, Donald Lothian, Kate Fernando
3. Minutes –proposed by S Farrar, seconded by T Gillan - adopted
4. Community matters: **Action points**
 - a. Kerb stones are loose at start of village (Milnathort end) and need sorted. Station Rd sign damaged in accident – will council repair? **DL**
 - b. The bin for dog mess bags has disappeared from Bower Park, it was replaced by a normal bin – should dog walkers use this now? Enquire and advise community in newsletter. **DL/ SMJ**
 - c. M Keaveney advised of man sitting in his car in Bower Park acting suspiciously around school going in and leaving time. He was sitting smoking in his car at around 7.30am and waited around for about 4 hrs, causing alarm to residents. Police were advised and he was questioned and said he pulled over when he felt unwell. However, he did return another day and tried to speak to children. **SMJ** to send Police email contact to Marcus to follow this up.
 - d. The Speedwatch scheme is being rolled out after a trial. 2 people have volunteered so far in Gateside. Agreed to ask PC Cameron to another meeting to speak about scheme. **SMJ**
 - e. The planning application for the proposed Caravan Site has not yet come to Committee. There has been activity in the woods with logs.
5. Report from refurbishment sub committee

Current projects include:

- a. Repairing gutters and roof flashings £4500 estimate. Grant application has been awarded by Fife Environment Trust for 90% of cost (£3943.88). Hall will need to find £438.21 towards repair. R Hopkins quoted for work and **SMJ** to arrange for him to start asap.
- b. New lighting is being fitted using a grant of £2000 from the Postcode Lottery plus £900 Fife Council 2 for 1 grant, so final cost to Hall funds will be around £1000 to come from funds and fundraising. **SMJ**
- c. New stage curtains will be fitted next week once hall has been cleaned after electrical work. SW requires key to let contractor in. Funding applied for from Coop -£1100. Alternatively we can apply for another 2 for 1 grant from Fife Council . **SW**
- d. Insurance company has agreed to pay for repair to plaster and re-painting following water damage. Once money is received and gutters are repaired work will commence.

6.Events committee report

- a.. Xmas Fair date 3.12.11, school will perform and all stalls are filled. Baking and crafts for Hall funds will be needed. Contact Teri Gillan
- b.. Fundraising night out at Kerachers Fish restaurant –places still available at £25 pp for 3 courses. Also need prizes for a raffle. Hannah Phillips (860303) is coordinating for October (24th). G Gall felt that this should have been run in the local pub and while T Gillan agreed she said that Kerachers are set up for this and it was a new idea to try.

7 Treasurers report

Unavailable as Emma is unwell

8 AOB

- a. Abuse of vulnerable adult in Bower Park has been referred to Community Police by the school. Police have tried to speak to individual but S Farrar is not sure if this has been possible yet. Hopefully the problems have reduced through the actions of the school and the parents.
- b. Radiator at hatch is loose and needs repair **AW**
- c WRI asked about possibility of light in the car park, Refurb committee to look at options.

Next meeting 10th November 2011 7.30pm