

The Gateside & District Community Association
Minutes for 8th November 2012. 7.30pm
In the Memorial hall

1. Present:, Susan Jack (Chair), Kate Fernando, David Cowling, Grace Cronie, Donald Lothian, Marcus Keavney, Norma Robertson, Hannah Phillips, Sue Whistler
2. Apologies: Emma Morgan, Valerie Weir, , Bobby Thompson, Sandra Farrar, Jane Mc Naughton, Teri Gillan, Alan Wright, Frankie Carslake

A short service of Remembrance was conducted by David Cowling and a wreath of poppies laid at the Memorial in the Hall. Thanks to David Cowling and Donald Lothian.

3. Minutes of last Meeting: proposed M Keaveney; second G Cronie
4. Community matters:
 - Potholes on Dryside and up to Glen Lomond are still in poor repair. **DL**
 - D Lothian has checked grit bin at top of Station Road is on council list and requested grit bin at other end of Old Town
 - Report that bins have not been lifted from Wellfield Estate for over 2 weeks – new crews do not know where to go on rural runs. Burnside have also reported problems. D Lothian requested that problems reported to him so that council can find out problem areas with new bin collection system. **DL**
 - Speed detection van is due to be stationed at Burnside.
 - **DL** to ask council if we could have the coloured bands on the road at each end of the village to help reduce speeding – they were there before road re-surfacing.
5. Planning Applications:
 - Caravan site planning application refusal was confirmed at October Council meeting. All objectors have received notification. Applicant has 3 months to appeal to reporter.
 - Gateside House appeal: Reporter has visited site and decision pending.
6. Pedestrian gate entrance at church.
 - New owner has submitted plan for new boundary wall and entrance to Hall gate
 - 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:
 - Painter now finished – but some damp marks have re-surfaced – need to investigate **AW**
 - Garden – more flowers required for pots. More roses needed for corner of car park. **SMJ** New watering can needed. Submit monitoring for Floral Grant and submit new application for bedding plants for tubs and possibly a bench. **SMJ**
 - Photos for hall display – still to be organised **JMC**
 - Outstanding projects: rendering; signs/ noticeboard
 - Request for Ladies and Gents sign for toilets and no smoking signs **SMJ**
8. Report from Events committee:
 - Xmas Fayre date 8.12.12. Children singing, craft stalls. Cake and candy and raffle needed. **ALL** Norma volunteered for cake and candy as Bobby will possibly not be able to help.
 - School table sale on 17.11.12, 10-12am
 - Need ideas for fundraisers for next year.

8. Treasurer's report: £5795.85 with £374 fuel and £528 painter outstanding - £4893.85

9.AOCB:

- Re converting clock to electricity – clock is now converted and returned. **TG** to put up. No charge from Alan Hampshire – thankyou to be sent **SMJ**.
- Discussed piano use and storage. Agreed to check with all users to see if it is needed. Not required by WRI, **MK** to check with school.
- Newsletter produced and circulated via email and delivery.
- Red Chairs are getting worn and could be replaced with folding chairs which are easier to store. **Refurb committee** to investigate options and cost.
- Wooden floor needs re-surfaced. **AW** to investigate firms and cost.
- Old pews to be cut up – **SW**. Broken red chairs to skip **SMJ**
- Tullis Russel biomass plant to use Binn Farm as storage. Possible increase in lorry traffic. **SMJ** to find out more from Community Council

Date of next meeting: 13th December 2012 7pm

Followed by AGM at 7.30pm