

Gateside & District Community Association  
Minutes 8<sup>th</sup> September 2016 7.30pm Memorial Hall

**Present:** Jane Macnaughton, Andrew Macnaughton, Hannah Phillips, Bobby Thompson, Grace Cronie, Babs Bernard, Frankie Carslake, Bryan Morrice, Emma Morgan, Kathryn Wright, Susan Jack, Ruwan Fernando, Evelyn Morgan, Maud Gall

**In attendance:** Cllr Donald Lothian

**Apologies:** Valerie Weir, Teri Gillan, PC Kristin Bellingham, PC Graeme Whittaker, Norma Robertson

**Minutes Proposed:** Andrew Macnaughton, Seconded: Kathryn Wright

Community Matters

1. PC Kristin Bellingham has taken over from PC Stuart Bruce. She sent her apologies for not attending and attached a small crime report which will be circulated to the email list along with the minutes of the meeting. The issue of cars parking on the pavement on the main road needs addressed. Access for pedestrians, especially the school children, could be a problem. The community police officers will look into this.
2. Station road potholes have been patched / temporarily fixed. The A912 to Perth has also had some temporary fixes done and a road closure will be scheduled to allow a major resurfacing job in 2017. A road closure on the A91 west of Gateside is also confirmed for October 2016, with overnight closures from 21.00hrs - 06.00hrs between Sunday 09/10/16 and Saturday 22/10/16.
3. Community Paths Grant – the money to complete work on the steps at the mill path has now been received. A clean up day with the villagers has been completed. Materials to fix the steps have been delivered, and we are now awaiting the contractors.
4. Grit bin at hall to be purchased. EM
5. A change in flight paths for Edinburgh airport has been brought to our attention, but this will mainly affect Burntisland and Kinghorn and other parts of Fife.
6. Stagecoach services have now been cut and less frequent services are now in place.

Refurbishment.

- Two different companies have been to see about the damp problem in hall and have come up with different action plans. Plans include injecting a damp proof course but it is unclear what the actual root cause of the problem is. It was agreed that Bryan would arrange for the handyman to paint over the damp and allow it to dry, to see if it comes back. Meanwhile RF will drill through the wood and investigate if damp underneath, before we commit to spending a large sum with a contractor.

- Plasterboard panels - quote in progress. Panels to be painted as fire-retardant. These would last for a few years and can be re-painted when necessary. SJ to investigate.
- Noticeboard up – contact sheet to be made with phone numbers on it. HP

### Events

- Gateside Gallop. Raised £621.23, with a contribution to Fife AC who did a lot of work in preventing the event having to be cancelled.
- Film Night: September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Eddie the Eagle. Film starts 7.30pm. Doors open 6.45pm.
- Halloween Party: This will be Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October and all children of the village are welcome.
- Halloween film night to be around that time, and will be new Ghostbusters film.
- Seniors Christmas Lunch. We would like to repeat this event. Funding could possibly be found through FVA – Fife Voluntary Action. KW. Dates to be checked with Robert Allison in Strathmiglo to make sure dates don't clash with Strathmiglo events. HP
- Date to be set with Amanda James for wreath-making evening. HP
- Burns Night 2017 to replace Hogmanay event 2016.

### AOB

Community orchard – everyone welcome to help themselves to apples from trees in the park. Please take what you can make use of.

Key to be acquired for Maud Gall for Wed night hall hires. Fee was agreed for these and will be confirmed by email.

The possibility of setting up a mother and toddler group was discussed. A date will be set to have a chat about this and gauge commitment.

The WRI have requested an account. EM

Bank Balance: £10, 221

Next meeting: 13 October 2016.