

Gateside & District Community Association
Minutes 9th April 2015 7.30pm Memorial Hall

Present: Jane Macnaughton, Grace Cronie, Babs Bernard, Hannah Phillips, Valerie Weir, Susan Jack, Andrew Macnaughton, Norma Robertson, Frankie Carslake, Bobby Thompson, Ruwan Fernando, Kate Fernando, Sue Whisler

Apologies: Kat Wright, Teri Gillian, Andy Heer, Emma Morgan

In attendance: Councillor – Donald Lothian (DL)

Minutes Proposed: Andrew Macnaughton, Seconded; Jane Macnaughton

Community Matters

1. Red rumble strips at the start of the village still in progress. Traffic calming islands at the entrance to the village have now been removed.
2. Andy Jones from the Fife Camera Partnership to be contacted again (JM) about mobile ad trailer which was to go in the hall car park.
3. Water on Station Road –Scottish Water lab sample taken at the last site visit appears to indicate surface water and not mains water. Fife council to start investigations and excavate trial holes in order to investigate below ground level. This will require a road closure. There may be a blockage causing the problem.
4. Pot holes in Old Town. Contractor to be found and quote sent on to council. Residents to agree a plan of action.
5. Howe of Fife Forum: DL reported that a resource of staff to research issues is now underway with funding.
6. Litter issues raised about lorry contractors/vehicles going to Binn road. Binn Skips to be contacted to make them aware of issue, as they have sent litter pickers in response to a complaint in the past.

Refurbishment.

- Painting on hold until damp dries out after rendering, will probably be summer. Condensation also causing problems, possibly need ventilation. RF to be asked to take moisture meter reading to see if any improvement after a few weeks and monitor condensation problem. Can be cleaned off and repainted with bathroom paint.
- Outside light to be looked at. New window unit required in kitchen, but window secure for now. George Cook to be contacted. BM
- Hook to prop open outside door is now fixed.
- Look at grants but also consider fundraising events for these projects. JM/ SJ/ SW/
- Gardening Day Thursday 30th April. School to get in touch with Litter Scotland.
- Schedule: Meet at school park at 10am for litter pick around Station Road/woods. Then another afternoon meet at 1.30pm at hall for wildflower planting on main road/bulbs/hall garden work. NR to arrange more planters please from Alan Jack, which we would like to put at road ends with wild flowers in. Maureen Andrews has kindly offered snowdrop bulbs. HP to collect.

Events

- Coffee Mornings are no longer viable due to poor support and lack of schoolchildren to bring in required numbers. Will only be done in future in combined effort with school.
- Next film night Friday 22nd May. Film to be confirmed. Doors open at later time of 6.30pm for start around 7.30pm.
- Big Lunch to be held Sunday 7th June at hall rather than in park– possibly games (rounders etc) in park afterwards if sufficient demand and good weather. Everyone welcome to come along, bring a plate of food to share.

Treasurer report Bank balance £9481.23

AOB

- Date to be set at next meeting to clean out cupboard in back room and throw away old chairs / Christmas decorations. Skip may be required!

Next meeting 14.5.15 at 7.30pm