

Gateside and District Community Association  
Minutes of Meeting 9th May 2013, held in the Memorial Hall

Present: Jane Macnaughton, Andrew Macnaughton, Valerie Weir, Teri Gillan, Kate Fernando, Frankie Carslake, Grace Cronie, Bobbie Thompson, Sandra Farrer, Norma Robertson, Susan Jack, Katherine Wright, Sue Whisler

In attendance: Cllr Andy Heer

1. Welcome
2. Apologies from: Alan Wright, Emma Morgan, Cllr Donald Lothian, Hannah Phillips
3. Minute of last meeting proposed: T Gillan, second S Farrar
4. Community Matters:
  - Living Lomonds project discussed, cycling initiative survey has gone out. Project is centred on Falkland but involves all Lomonds and Loch Leven
  - Fife Access Forum is meeting 5<sup>th</sup> June 2013 in Kirkcaldy
  - Complaints regarding new rural bins service to be discussed at full Council meeting next week. Service manager unwilling to attend public meeting on changes which mean rural dwellers will no longer have bins picked up from their houses. There has been a great deal of confusion regarding who is affected and what the new arrangements are as the mailing list used seems incorrect in many instances. SJ reported to Community Council last meeting.
  - Handrail at steps in Bower Park: should be completed in next few weeks (DL)
  - V Weir asked about potholes on Burnside boundary – council boundary appears unclear and she requested Fife repair potholes on road to last house as they do pay rates to Fife.
  - Potholes are being repaired as quickly as possible with other work postponed, there was discussion on the quality of the repairs as they often appear to be temporary. £5000 spent in January including outside contractors.
  - A Macnaughton asked about the review of the mobile library as he understands service is to be reduced from 3 vehicles to 2. A Heer to report on possible effect on Gateside.
  - T Gillan complained about threatening letter regarding unpaid bill for waste collection.
  - The overgrown fields in the village centre were discussed and Cllr A Heer was asked how the Community Association could report a notifiable plant such as ragwort. Also to check with D Cowling on another invasive species previously discussed.
  - S Farrar expressed concern that bluebell bulbs were being stolen from the wood – this is theft but Association unable to do anything about this.
5. Planning Applications:  
Nothing to report
6. Events:
  - 18<sup>th</sup> May Stovie Dance with Buttons and Bows – tickets @ £5 per adult, £2.50 per child. Family ticket for 2 adults and 2+ children = £15. Bag of potatoes required SMJ. 55 tickets sold so far – max 65. Volunteers required Saturday afternoon to prepare stovies. Event is BYOB. SMJ asked if Lucy Jack could sell cakes instead of pudding after the stovies for a fundraising challenge – agreed.
  - Big Lunch – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June. Bunting being handed out for decoration, volunteers needed to set up.
  - Bus trip – 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Moffat and Williamson coach booked for trip to Helensburgh and Loch Lomond (TG)
  - Other ideas for events: Cinema night with themed food (JMC to investigate Edinburgh film club); Curry night. V Weir and B Thompson attending activities day at Elmwood 6.6.13 and will feed back ideas- Chariots of Fife
  - Agreed to use email list and web page to publicise all events for Association or other groups SMJ, AMC
  - Gateside Gallop is in Scottish Athletics calendar for 4<sup>th</sup> September – route to be agreed

7. Hall refurbishment:
  - AW has received a quote for £9200 for the rendering, another quote required for grant. SW provided name of possible tradesman Wayne Telford Roughcaster – 07738514342
  - Discussed listing local tradesmen on Association website. Gateside video booklet has much of this information. G Cronie to lend booklet to Jane Macnaughton which we can use to start this process.
8. Treasurer's Report: Accounts still with accountant – agreed to ask Emma if we should get someone else to complete audit as accounts are require soon for the OSCR (Charities) submission.
9. George Highland Fund: Gateside Primary School Parent discussed this and are considering using it for leavers gift. Other option discussed was a sporting award or Sports Day challenge/ cup.
10. AOCB:
  - SF advised the meeting that she will be starting a Craft School after school and needs wool – especially bright colours. If anyone has wool they can donate – it can be handed in to her or to the school.
  - Big Lunch is looking for spare sheets for bunting – contact K Wright or H Phillips
  - Insurance for Big Lunch required through Association – agreed to have this added to insurance review.
  - T Gillan asked WRI how many tables they require (4 agreed) and if they could ensure they are wiped clean after use, and any major crumbs swept up as school has PE next day GC.
  - Disposal of piano discussed – M Andrews to be contacted regarding the pianos removal, although agreed to wait on this until school back to full teaching strength.
11. Date of next meeting Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm