

BLACKRIDGE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes from Tuesday 15th November, Next Meeting 13th December 2022

Held at Craig Inn Community Centre

PRESENT

APOLOGIES

COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS	A Downie
M Stewart	J Robertson
S Montgomery	A Montgomery
K Strachan	Cllr Kenna
Cllr McGuire	R Rylott
Cllr Borrowman	C Steele
J Ramsay	A Graham
B Craig	A Sharp
A Valentini	
K Baylis	
INVITED GUESTS	
PC S Henderson	
M McFadzean	
J Coull	

Minutes from last meeting

Proposed: B Craig

Seconded: S Montgomery

Matters Arising: None

School Update: None

Police Update: Statistics remain static, 39 Calls, still engaging with Schools, there was a spike in anti-social behaviours in Allison Gardens. There was a local robbery, still ongoing investigation.

Trying to improve CCTV on buses, quads and scooters remain an issue, please report locations and persons if known. Asked if police could keep an eye on the Surgery doors, groups still hanging around.

Finance: Bank account nearing completion, now set up, just a few bits to complete.

£13,988.34 in the bank, most of which is earmarked for projects, transfer from RBS to BoS still to be completed.

Planning: Woodend Wind farm planning for 4 turbines at the heights road, still at pre-planning.

Bulbs have arrived, being planted now.

Newsletter/Website: Now printed, volunteers required to distribute, Gala committee could possibly help deliver.

Projects: Bulbs and trees have arrived and due to be planted.

Infinenergy open day on Wednesday 30th November at Craig Inn Centre.

Health Centre: Will be closed on the Monday and Tuesday after Christmas and New Year, plan for delays in prescriptions, potentially running out or delays.

AOB:

- Cost of Living Crisis, Local church is running events, can this be added to website, Coffee Mornings, fellowship groups.
- Food Bank at Armadale, furniture, dress shop, and other items for sale.
- Street names for new estate, 4 extra street names required, any ideas welcome.
- Buses, now going to St John's Hospital.
- Craig Inn Centre open day on the 22nd January, Railway station boards, tattoos, face painting, flute orchestra, further details on Blackridge website.
- Education Fund thank you, 2 sons have benefited with HGV licences and have helped to turn their life around.
- Mrs Downie is moving to Riverside Academy, thanks for all your help and support within the local community.
- Groundworks on the new estate for the private houses is starting, social housing nearing completion.
- War Memorial in the village, is this something that CC can do, costly and lengthy process.
- Christmas Soiree on the 13th December, bring along some goodies.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 13th December 2022, 7.00pm at Craig Inn Centre.