

Milton of Campsie Community Council Minutes of Meeting

Monday 16/08/2021 at 7.30pm
Online via ZOOM

1. Record of Attendance

Alex Buist (AC)– Chair, Vicky Jarvis (VJ)– Treasurer, Brian McFall (BM)– Secretary,
Andy Mackenzie (AM), Agnes Raybould (AR)
2 members of the public with others joining and leaving.

Apologies

Jim Crawford.
Alan Gall
Police Scotland – unable to attend using Zoom software,

Previous minutes

Proposed by Vicky Jarvis, seconded by Agnes Raybould.

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

3-ITEM 1C. - Erosion of banks of River Glazert - BM reported no further contact from factor. BM to continue dialogue. **Action – BM**

3-AGM of 6/5/2019.

To be dealt with at next AGM. Next AGM will be held on 20th September 2021 in the village Hall at 7.00pm

3-ITEM 7 A – Allotments – BM has raised additional FOI requests to EDC regarding the allotments and the section 75 contributions from CALA. BM will keep emailing and chasing for answers. **Action - BM**

3-ITEM 10 C – MOC Village Trust – A letter was submitted to the bank. There appears to be one account which is empty and dormant, it was agreed to close this down. VJ to deal with this. **Action – VJ**

ITEM 4 – Speeding –BM reported that the roads document was issued to all available contacts in EDC, councillors, MP's and Police. Only two people acknowledged the report. **Action BM.**

ITEM 5 – Dog Fouling – BM has issued an e-mail request for additional dog litter bins. Cllr Ferretti is assisting with this, AM will provide a list of paths where bins do not exist at present. **Action AM & BM.**

ITEM 8 - Village Newsletter – VJ has spoken with a graphic designer in the village who will provide us with a template that can easily be add to as required. Contact with organisation now needs to be made for articles. **Action – AB & VJ**

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ITEM 11a – Broken bank of Burn at Alloch Dam – no update available on this matter presently.

ITEM 10e – AB noted that Jamie Maguire does not know where the Tennis nets and equipment is being stored. **Action AB**

ITEM 10f – Cllrs Pews and Ferretti are looking onto the issues with the fence at the school Astro turf facility. **Action AB**

Standing agenda items

General Comment - The request to the public regarding their primary concerns for and within the village were collated by AG and a report was put onto Facebook. There were 75 comments with a large variety of points raised with the top three clearly being 1. Speeding and condition of roads, 2 Dog fouling and 3. Drugs. These three items will now become standing agenda items until hopefully we have dealt with them and the next on the list of concerns will move onto the standing items. This is not to say that we will not try and deal with the other issues mentioned when possible. It was agreed to publicise these 3 main issues in all electronic forms available to us. We now require the villagers to provide evidence, photographs, sightings relating to any of the issues to be sent to the Community Council.

It was suggested that we should be adding more issues of concern from the village survey into the standing agenda items as we are currently pushing on with the original issues, a separate discussion regarding this should take place and introduce another one or two items at the next meeting.

3. Roads (speeding, conditions, crossing points, pavements)

- a) CC were pleased to announce that the roads and lining at Milton Cross was completed. BM confirmed that the two reports on road safety and traffic flow through the village have been sent to our councillors, MP, MSP, Police and employees of EDC. Acknowledgments have come back from the Emma Davidson (Police) and Councillor Ferretti at this time and Thomas McMenamin of EDC. **Action BM**
- b) AB has seen the tree on Antermoney Road and stated that it appears to be ok.
- c) BM reported that EDC have issued a letter to the land owner of the land adjacent to the pavement from Birdston Farm to Milton of Campsie requesting that the hedgerow is cut back and the soil spill on the pavement is removed. If this is not carried out then EDC will do it and invoice the landowner. AM noted that the soil spill / rubbish accumulated on the pavement is the responsibility of EDC to remove as the roads department are responsible for keeping the pavements clear and in recent times have had equipment doing this work in Torrance. BM to chase up. **Action BM**

4. Dog Fouling

BM is pushing for additional bins with the support of AM carrying out surveys. BM will continue to press on the matter. As a community we need to educate dog walkers on the dangers of dirt left behind to other animals and children in particular. We should

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also enquire about the provision of free Poo bags and try to get a supply into the village post office , Library and shops. **Action BM**

5. Drugs

The issue is with the police, and nothing further can be reported at present. AB will speak to the main Officer in charge to try and obtain some feedback. **Action AB**

6. Village paths.

- a) AM has begun putting information onto the EDC Active Travel Consultation which is open to anyone to contribute until 28th September. AM noted that there are two maps which are confusing as they are often wrong with the routes actually walked and some start and finish points. **Action AM**
- b) VJ has been in discussion with a 5 or 6 groups relating to the upkeep of the paths around the village and there seems to be a desire to assist, the CC need to form a steering group for the work as it is too much for one person to deal with. **Action All**
- c) BM to contact John Thompson to obtain permission to work on his property and repair the bridge over the burn. **Action BM**

7. Broadband Provision

- a) AB noted that Openreach appear to be in the village and working on various areas. AM noted that Openreach had brought fibre cables into the Green junction boxes and now hopefully are beginning to replace the copper connections to properties. CC to try and obtain assistance for properties on the very edge of the village who have extremely poor connections. **ACTION BM, AB**

b) Chair's update.

- a) AB reported that he had met Alan Skedleski at Craighead field where he has created a wonderful garden. AB asked what assistance we could provide, he asked for slabs, sand, cement, a cement mixer if possible and a petrol driven lawn mower. AB has spoken to McNair's who have agreed to give a discount for materials purchased. It was agreed that there was no reason why we could not aid his work as far as we possibly could although the mixer and mower may prove to be difficult to obtain cheaply. **Action AB**

c) Treasurer's update.

- a) VJ issued the current accounts prior to the meeting and her report. The report is attached to the minutes.
- b) VJ is awaiting a response from MOCGG regarding proposed wording for inclusion on the website.
- c) Data protection Policy still to be actioned. **Action All**
- d) Safeguarding Policy still to be actioned. **Action All**

d) Planning applications.

- a) BM noted that an objection was lodged against the proposed site at Redhills in Lennoxton on the basis previously discussed.
- b) No additional planning applications have been made that affect the village in any manner.

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e) Police report.

- a) BM noted that a report was provided by Police Scotland which was obviously a standard template of “this is what we try to do and this is what you should do” It is generic template for the whole of East Dunbartonshire if not Scotland and is extremely disappointing.

f) Any other business

- a) There have been complaints raised about people parking across driveways near to Battlefield Park. BM would look into the planning implications of this particular area and surrounding areas.

Action BM

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was proposed to be the 20th September 2021 at 7.30pm.
Prior to this meeting the AGM will be held at 7.00pm

The meeting ended at 9.00pm.