

South Cowal Community Council

Meeting held on 12 May 2021

Attendance by Zoom VC

Present

Linda Murry, Michael Breslin, Eleanor Stevenson, Dot Braham, Lisa Marle, Alan Stewart, Joyce McEwen.

In attendance

Councillors Anderson and Good and Janet McCormack.

Apologies

Claire Hendry, Linda Payne, Audrey Forrest, Gill Judd, Alistair Lennie.

Declarations of interest

None

Police Report

This was noted and Claire thanked for providing it.

Minutes of last meeting held on 17 February 2021

These were agreed, proposed by Dot and seconded by Alan.

Matters arising

- There was still no progress on the **installation of dropped kerbs in Innellan**. It was over 4 years ago when this was first brought up.
- Joyce updated the meeting on the trim trail for Sandy Beach. There was sufficient room for the equipment to be located between the toilets and the goal.

- The website was almost complete.
- Lights are still out at Knockamillie.
- The new signs at Innellan and Toward had proved popular.
- Glass recycling bins were often full to overflowing. Cllr Anderson to chase up.
- The works at both Eleanor Lane and Innellan Pier were incomplete.

Treasurer's Report

Joyce reported that the free funds at the bank, ie after taking into account commitments such as the trim trail, totalled £1.005.

Planning Issues

Alan explained the situation over the various planning issues related to Castle Toward, ie paths, access to them, location of the gate and it being locked etc. Representations had been made by SCCC and will be confirmed. The naming of the planning officer by the owners was very unfortunate.

War Memorial

It was agreed that each member of SCCC would write to confirm support or otherwise for the agreement as circulated. This is to be done by Sunday evening, 16 May.

Brackley Point

There was discussion on the mess being left by people using the area. Actions will be for councillors to speak to the new chief inspector and to consider if any of the additional funds the council has received could allow a warden to monitor the area. The landowner was unknown but Michael agreed to ask Digby Guy who may know.

Covid volunteers

The earlier decision to allocate £250 to the cost of running the volunteers was confirmed. It was noted the service would end at end June provided progress with the pandemic continued.

Cemeteries Consultation

The comments sent out with the agenda were noted and there will be a 2nd consultation at some point.

Citizen of the year

This was deferred till June as both Alistair and Martin were unable to attend this meeting.

AOCB

- It is not yet possible to relocate the glass bins to the seaward end of the pier carpark due to the pier works not being completed.
- Dot again raised the issue of the rats. Audrey Forrest was to ask Jo Raines if this was deemed a public health issue so that no individual houses were charged.
- Eleanor raised the issue of the coned off area opposite Joppa which had been there for some time.
- The bike repair stands were complete and payment is in hand with both cheques to go to Martin.
- There were no plans as yet to reinstate the bus service along the high road but it was not known if the withdrawal of the service had been agreed with council officers.