

South Cowal Community Council
Minute of meeting held on 12 September 2018

Present Martin Anstess, Kyle Armstrong, Dot Braham, Michael Breslin, Helen Campbell, Alistair Lennie, Lisa Marle, Linda Payne, Eleanor Stevenson
Vicki Walkingshaw, Sophie Gillen, Mark Wilson (police), Liz Seabrook

Apologies Alan Chapman, Gill Judd, Joyce McEwen, Cllr Forrest, Cllr Anderson
Alan Stewart

Reminder on declarations of interest from the chair

Minutes of last meeting held on 8 August

These were approved by Kyle Armstrong and seconded by Dot Braham.

Police report

Last month has been pretty quiet, with no crime reports with one call about suspicious driving and another about rubbish being left at Toward Primary car park. 3 fixed penalties have been issued for speeding. General discussion followed about speeding in the area.

Matters Arising

Knotweed appears to be a non-council issue other than when it's on their own land or adjacent to a roadway. There is a particular issue on the foreshore in some areas. The concern of the community council was evident and councillors are asked to note this. Other species, like Gunnera, was also noted in the area.

8 dropped kerbs are to be installed in various Innellan locations.

The artificial grass surface at Innellan PS needs to be cleaned.

No progress as yet on lowering speed limits between Toward PS and Ardyne.

War Memorial land. A meeting was held between Alan Chapman and council staff with a view to the community council taking over responsibility for maintaining the area.

Proposals had been submitted for the trim trail at Sandy Beach which Helen showed to those present. Costs were around £21k. Funds would need to be raised to carry this out.

As far as was known, the community buyout offer for the Lido was unacceptable to the owners.

There were conflicting reports of the scale of the rats problem but they were still to be seen at various locations in Toward and Innellan, especially at Ardyne and near the sailing club. It was noted

that despite the council appearing not to know the problem still existed, they had in fact dealt with rats at this location for a fee.

Inspiring Innellan

Eleanor updated the meeting on the Gold Award Inspiring Innellan received last week. A huge thanks was due to everyone involved, not just for the award but for the many improvements throughout Innellan. Strong points were community involvement and recycling.

There was agreement in principle to have Inspiring Innellan as a sub committee of SCCC. Further discussions to take place on this and a detailed proposal will be put to the November meeting.

Armistice Day

There was a general feeling that something would be organised for the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day. Ideas to be submitted to Eleanor.

Treasurer's Report

£5,042 in the bank including the grant for the trim trail.

Any Other Business

None

Next Meeting

There is no meeting in October so the next meeting will be on Wednesday 14 November at 1930 in Innellan Village Hall.