

DUNURE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN KENNEDY HALL, DUNURE, ON TUESDAY 16 APRIL 2013 AT 7.30PM.

The meeting was opened by the South Ayrshire Council representative, Linda Warwick, who circulated a Sederunt.

Present: Philip Findlay, Elaine McQuade, Roy Storie, Dorothy Ward.

Councillors: Sandra Goldie, William Grant
Council Representative Linda Warwick.

Organisation of Office Bearers.

The following posts were filled:

CHAIR: Philip Findlay - nominated by R Storie, seconded by D Ward.

SECRETARY: Jean McGinn - nominated by P Findlay, seconded by R Storie

TREASURER: Roy Storie - nominated by D Ward, seconded by E McQuade

No names were put forward for contact with planning and licensing.

Those posts being filled Linda Warwick indicated that two further members could be co-opted to complete the committee. She then handed the meeting over to the Chair and the committee expressed their thanks.

Sederunt at the meeting, in addition to the above were Police Constables Bob Drummond and Gareth Thomson.

Members of the Community Janey McCreath, Helen Morton and Anne Riddicks.

Apologies for absence: Andrew Guthrie, Jean McGinn.

Sympathy was expressed for the McGinn family.

Police Report:

Minor incidents: 1, Noise in property in Carrick Place
 2. Missing Cattle from Lagg.
 3. Sheep on road.

No serious crime had been reported but the police were keeping a watchful eye out in case there were any thefts of livestock, machinery and fuel oil.

There was a request that the police patrol car could back up the repeated village requests to have the bushes

protruding out over the lower section of Station Road pruned back by the council.

Councillors' Report:

Owing to the recess over Easter there was nothing to report. Irene Howat would be acting CEO.

Matters arising:

- Dorothy Ward asked whether MSPS might be invited to visit a meeting in the village to discuss issues related to referendum. Councillor Grant advised waiting until the white paper had been published.
- Janey McCreath made a representation on behalf of Kennedy Hall & Park Committee concerning the parlous state of the village hall for which there were

no funds to repair fabric. It was noted a section of the hall ceiling had collapsed. She expressed fears that the hall would have to be shut. An attempt to supplement income by allowing an ice-cream van into the park had been met with local business opposition. It was pointed out that previous competition had been provided in the village shop which was now closed. Councillor Grant said that the committee should hand their lease back to the council so that they would be responsible for the maintenance of the fabric. This was being attempted in the case of Maybole Town Hall.. Councillor Goldie doubted whether the council would be willing to accept this in the case of the village. DCC expressed concern and sympathy regarding lack of funding and threat of hall closure but could provide no financial help. The councillors would raise the matter with D Shannon, with whom Janey had been dealing, to get clarification. The matter was referred back to KHP for further discussion.

- Representation was made on behalf of Angela Sturgeon, 17 Ayr Ropad, by her daughters, Helen Morton and Anne Riddicks concerning the large scale dumping of litter by temporary residents in the property adjoining lane. Huge amounts of rubbish had been thrown in the adjoining field and rats were becoming a problem. Councillor Goldie said that S A C would letter the owner with a request to remove and if this was not done the Council would attend to this and send owners a bill.
- A second issue concerning the level of kerb on main road in front of property would be reported. It is flush with the road and surface water is draining into adjacent gardens.
- Thanks were expressed to S A C for clearing up the large amounts of litter in the lay-by between Perryston and Genoch, but again expressed their concern regarding potholes at top of Lagg Brae and between the Brown Carrick Drive and Earls Way roundabouts on A719. Councillor Grant reiterated that the roads budget had been cut by a million pounds, and that the size of our budget much less than that of East Ayrshire. The Committee pointed out that when the authority was endeavouring to promote tourism, cutting the budget was counter productive.
- Dorothy Ward again raised the matter of new village notice boards and the chairman repeated his willingness to erect them when they were provided.
- She also expressed concern about the loss of the village shop. It was hoped Andrew Guthrie's approach to Ailsa Horizons might prove fruitful, but that would be provisional on the shop owner's willingness to make the property available.
- With regard to the bin being blown downhill in the park this was not council responsibility. Dorothy agreed to contact tel. number on the bin to contact the firm responsible.
- The Chairman welcomed Elaine McQuade to the Committee

Financial ~Report:

There were no changes from the previous month.

Admin Account ~£616.92

New Hall Account £845.42

Mr Storie agreed to look through the correspondence.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm. Date of next meeting Tuesday 21 May (AGM0