

PRESTWICK SOUTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting of 22 February 2018

Welcome: The Vice Chair, Norrie Smith, welcomed those present.

Sederunt: Community Councillors – N Smith, L White, A Quinn, J Riach, L Bowman, J Park, J Whittaker, M Dorans, T Piper and A Young.

South Ayrshire Councillor – Cllr H Hunter.

Community Police – PC's F Hartley and R McIntyre.

Prestwick North CC – Cllr J Twaddell.

Resident – M Young

Apologies: Cllrs M Evans, J Park, B McGowan, G Rae, Provost H Moonie and SAC Cllrs I Cochrane and M Toner

SAC Cllr H Hunter.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 25 January were approved on the motion of Cllr L White seconded by Cllr M Dorans.

Matters Arising: Cllr M Dorans reported that, as regards congestion in Doon Avenue, the Ayrshire Roads Alliance will review the situation and may consult with local residents regarding possible parking restrictions.

Police Report: A total of 9 crimes were recorded for the Prestwick South area for the previous 4 weeks. One related to having no driving licence; 4 cases of vandalism; 2 breach of bail; 1 assault and 1 telecommunications offence. Cllr M Dorans reported that he had been in contact with Sgt McDowall, Neighbourhood Community Police, Maybole, regarding their project to deter speeding through community volunteers, supported by the police, obtaining and using "speed guns". Each "speed gun" together with signage and high viz jackets costs about £3,500. The volunteers are trained and police are also in attendance. The police send out warning letters and repeated offences result in police action. Cllr Dorans suggested that this Community Council in co-operation with others in the area might wish to initiate a similar project. He has asked Sgt McDowall to attend one of our meetings to explain how the system works.

South Ayrshire Council Report: Cllr H Hunter reported that, as a result of complaints about parked cars making it difficult to exit from the new flats built on the former Kingcase Garage site, it is proposed (subject to consultation) to put double yellow lines on Ayr Road from Mansefield Road to the access. He also made mention of the Council's Budget Meeting on 1 March; the Burns Competition at St Ninians Primary School on 27 February; and a public meeting on 13 and 14 March regarding the new Glenburn and St Ninians Schools. He expressed regret about the closing of the "Care and Repair" service but noted that £100,000 left in their account would go back to the Council for disabled support. He also advised that he would be meeting with Sainsbury's regarding support for Dementia Friendly Prestwick.

In a written report passed on by Cllr M Dorans, Cllr I Cochrane reported that the Parking Wardens had been active in Prestwick on 46 out of 71 days and had issued 151 “tickets”. He also reported that speed monitoring in Bellrock Avenue between 1 November and 31 January indicated an average of 25mph.

Treasurer’s Report: Cllr L White reported that the current bank balance is £585.92 but with £180.00 uncleared transactions leaving a balance of £405.92.

Planning Report: Cllr M Evans submitted a written report on recent planning applications and decisions.

Bruce’s Well: Cllr A Young reported on progress. Subject to the necessary approvals being obtained without delay he expects action on site in June or July.

Correspondence: The Secretary reported that all current correspondence had already been emailed to members.

A.O.C.B:

The Community Council by Election has been advertised in respect of the two vacancies.

Prestwick Beach Litter Pick Programme: Prestwick North Cllr Julie Twaddell explained the proposals and this Community Council were happy to give it their support. She also commented that the crushed material removed from the beach had been used to improve the carpark to the north of Kids Play and that the Community Garden was now operational at Boydfield Gardens.

Cllr A Young reported that he had recently attended a meeting to discuss the future of the Freeman’s Hall. He indicated that a properly constituted support group needs to be formed if any progress is to be made.

Cllr A Quinn raised the issue of access to the Sainsbury’s carpark from Kingcase School. It was noted that some parents do use this as a pick-up point but that there is a planning restriction on the proposed access point.

Cllr J Whittaker reported on proposals for a Breakfast Club at Kingcase School.

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 29 March 2018