

Thornhill Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting

held at 1915 on 21st March 2021,

The Friendship Club

15 West Morton Street,

Thornhill, DG3 5ND

Present: Wullie Lenza (Chair), Keith Watson (Vice Chair) Robert McGarva (Treasurer), Jim Renicks (Secretary), Corinna Harkness, Adam Zdravkovic, Sharon Hodgkinson, Councillor J Dempster

Members of the Public Present: Sheila Renicks, Sheila Jones

Apologies for Absence: None

Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting approved by **KW** and seconded by **RM**

Police Report:

Local Crime Stats for the month: 2 x Breach of the Peace, 1 x Assault, 2 x Thefts 4 x Road Traffic Offences 1 x Civic Government Offences and 6 x Advice Calls.

Other Significant Incidents/Occurrences:

The region has seen a large increase in thefts of heating oil from homes and commercial properties. Police are advising residents to remain vigilant, report any suspicious behaviour and follow advice to use lockable gates, fit a fuel cap or alarm, install security lighting and cctv and carry out regular checks

Ongoing Initiatives:

Speeding - Regular speed checks have been carried out at the north and south entrances of the village. These will continue

Matters Arising from Previous Meeting:

JR still to follow up with local shops and Christmas Festivities being on an afternoon.

Councillor Dempster has held a face-to-face meeting regarding the closing of the Podiatry Clinic with the Operations Manager at NHS Dumfries & Galloway. There have been serious issues with training and recruiting podiatrists. **Councillor Dempster** is having another meeting regarding this and will update when it has taken place.

CH advises that Sheila Jones and Susan Smith from the Gala Committee members are willing to help with Jubilee Celebration plans.

Councillor Dempster advises that an electric vehicle charging point will be sited at the Library Car Park work will commence in April

Treasurers Report:

The Treasurer (**RM**) provided a review of the Accounts, as they are now:

Current Account balance	£7,333.57
Investment Account:	£3,531.45
Legacy Account:	£185,297.05

Wind Farm Report:

JR advises that a meeting has taken place and there are further meetings to take place with regards to the Community Funding and how it is controlled for Twenty Shilling.

There is a Panel meeting for Clyde Wind Farm on the 29th March 2022. Which a substantial bid has been made to by the OST.

Planning Applications:

Weekly Planning Applications lists checked as they came into the E-Mail nothing of significance relating to the village.

Correspondence:

An acknowledgement letter had been received from Dumfries & Galloway Council regarding the appreciation email submitted regarding the street cleansers.

Email received from Somar & Hugo Clark re setting up and afterschool Lego Club for Primary age children. Advise given re halls and contacts and also funding form sent.

Queens Platinum Jubilee:

Group including **CH** and **SH** from Community Council along with Sheila Jones and Susan Smith from the Gala. **KW** and **RM** will be available on the day. Day - Sunday 5th June Locus - Community Centre.

Budget agreed by all present.

Enquiries to be made regarding entertainment from pupils at the Wallace Hall and also Matt Lammie **Action JR**

Action WL approaching Emily and Jamie McClennan re entertainment

Any Other Business

The earlier application for funds to set up a Netball Club. Natalie the organiser has reported back that the club has 35 members signed up and they are going forward to form a committee. 2nd part of grant being paid to them due to the success.

The bike repair station has arrived and will be sited in the very near future.

Dumfries & Galloway Council have been working with Scottish Tech Army in relation to a developing a website template for Community Councils to use. Thornhill Community Council have been approached to trial the pilot test site and give feedback. SR has agreed to use the site.

Date of Next Meeting - 25th April 2022