

Minutes of Belmont, Kincaidston and St. Leonards Community Council.

Belmont Academy at 19.00 hrs on Thursday 1 st February 2018.

1. The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all present.
2. Sederunt: Con Brennan, Flora Fleming, Ian Douglas, Seumas MacKinnon, Claire Dunn, Donald McLean, Joy McDowall, Don Osborne, Rod Winhall. PC Steven Gilmour, Karen Monaghan, Councillor Chris Cullen, Jordan Ferguson, Abi Smillie and David Meechan.
Apologies for absence: Brian Law and Councillor Brian McGinley.
3. PC Gilmour delivered the January incidents and crime report with comparable offences in January 2017. The full report is available on the CC web site. PC Gilmour described the tasks undertaken by the offenders to the vandalism acts at Kincaidston Bowling Club. PC Gilmour advised on inconsiderate parking.
4. David Meechan, from Green Gym, our invited guest, gave an insight into his work with The Conservation Volunteers and the evolvement of Green Exercise Partnership since its inception in 2007.
5. Minutes of the December meeting was proposed by Don Osborne and seconded by Donald McLean. There were no matters arising from the minutes.
6. Regular Reports:
Treasurer: No outgoings in the months December and January. Current Balance is £558. No invoices from Streamline taxis.
Secretary: 21 emails received and 10 sent out. All correspondence is available to view.
Planning Officer: Rod reported on two applications, a rear extension in Meadowpark Drive and alterations in Ewenfield Road. The Lidl redevelopment has been approved and an application to remodel the Kyle Centre to incorporate a six screen cinema has been submitted.
Fund Raiser: Ian to investigate funding for a fence at Kincaidston Playpark.
Project Update: Contact with Kincaidston Primary and Kincaidston Pavilion has been established. Further advice from officials at South Ayrshire Council is required on matters of risk assessment, method statements and insurance. A request for additional member to join this sub group was tabled.

Link Officer: Karen outlined the process for the upcoming Community Council By-Election. Nomination forms require to be submitted no later than midnight on 22 nd February 2018.

Elected Representative: Councillor Cullen to donate a notice board to the community council. Councillor Cullen has requested a schedule of works from Ayrshire Roads Alliance. He advised that each member should participate in the current Budget Proposals Survey.

7. AOCB: Member Seumas MacKinnon spoke at length on pot holes and the poor repair of roads and pavements, the increase in litter and debris in Belmont, the poor tree felling in Castlehill woods, the vandalism and torching of blue bins in Kincaidston and Castlehill Woods, fly tipping in the Slaphouse burn adjacent to Dalmellington Road resulting in horrific injury to his dog. The community council to request a meeting with Neighbourhood Services to discuss the above.

SAC balancing the Budget document was discussed at length. The extra funding from the Scottish Government will negate some of the proposed cuts but the continuing austerity cuts from Westminster will affect every local authority.

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 1st MARCH 1900 hrs BELMONT ACADEMY.