

Uplawmoor Community Council

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Minutes of AGM held in the Mure Hall on Monday 18 April 2016

Present: Gordon Steel (Chairman)
Joyce Miller (Secretary)
Charles Brindley (Treasurer)
Ivy Cowan, Emily Wallace, Cath Close, Ross Leggat (CC members)
Councillor Buchanan, Councillor Gilbert, Councillor Green, Councillor O’Kane
14 members of the public

Apologies: Christine and David Riddett

Approval of Minutes of AGM held on 15th September 2014

Proposed John West

Seconded Joyce Miller

Item		Action	Date
1.0	Chairman’s Opening Remarks		
1.1	Gordon Steel welcomed everyone to the meeting explaining that this was the first AGM since September 2104 due to ERC reconstituting Community Councils and subsequent new elections in October 2015.		
2.0	Police Report. Two local police officers present.		
2.1	They reported 1 crime in the last month, an offensive mailing that was being dealt with.		
2.2	They reported an increase of bogus workmen appearing on doorsteps in the area. They encouraged residents to be alert and look out for vulnerable neighbours and report any suspicious activity to the police on 101 (or 999 if emergency) noting any signage on suspicious vehicles and registration number if possible. (If unable to obtain the full registration number then the last three digits were the more important)		
2.3	Questions from the floor to the police. Speeding Complaint. Local residents and delivery vans were equally responsible. The police advised that details should be noted and reported and they will feed this back.		

	<p>Bogus phone calls. Some were received at 5 am asking for bank details. The police advised that these be reported and also advised that contactless payment facilities on bank cards can be disabled by the bank on request.</p> <p>Service bus regularly parking on a blind corner. Police advised that details (time/date/location) and registration number should be reported to the police and that email complaints to McGill's bus company usually prompted a response.</p>		
2.4	The police were thanked for their presence and contribution and they left the meeting.		
3.0	Chairman's report		
3.1	<p>1 UCC ELECTIONS</p> <p>We had interim elections in 2014 which were closely followed by elections called by East Renfrewshire Council in 2015 This heralded the introduction of a new constitution and the new Community Council was formed in October 2015. Unfortunately we did not get a full complement of councillors as only 7 candidates put their name forward for election. The village of Uplawmoor and district is entitled to have 10 community council members. This means we have 3 vacancies which we are keen to fill.</p> <p>2 NEW NOTICE BOARD</p> <p>Further to our success in obtaining funding from ERC Local Area Forum you will all have noticed that a new noticeboard is now in place.</p> <p>TREES IN THE GLEN</p> <p>A relatively large number of trees have been felled in the Glen. ERC have carried out this work as the trees were judged to be unsafe. Some additional trees may still have to be felled. Much of the debris has been removed from the burn but there is still work to be done to complete the job.</p> <p>Unfortunately ERC have no budget for replanting of trees in the Glen so this is something which will have our attention in the coming months.</p> <p>DOG FOULING</p> <p>Dog fouling continues to be a problem in the village.</p> <p>Please remember that dog poo must be lifted from all public roads, pavements, paths etc. including those outwith the boundaries of the village and disposed of in any public litter bin located in the village. In line with revised government legislation (from 1st April 2016) dog owners who fail to clean up after their pets can be fined £80, rising to £100 if not paid within 28 days.</p>		

CASTBURN PATH

Those of you who regularly use the Castburn Path will have noticed that it has flooded on a number of occasions. This must be due in part to the recent record levels of rainfall and to the changes made to the drainage in the field where Mactaggart and Mickel are building new houses. This problem was drawn to the attention of the site staff and as a result they have installed additional drainage at the bottom of the field to alleviate this problem.

SUPERFAST BROADBAND

It has proved very difficult to get any detailed information regarding the installation of superfast broadband but Uplawmoor is due to be upgraded in 2016

SCAM PREVENTION

We reported last year that we had a presentation from Paul Holland, ERC Principal Prevention Officer.

Paul gave an overview of his outreach role regarding prevention and advice on rogue traders (ERC Trusted Trader Scheme), cold calling (True Call Installation) and various allied issues. It is worth repeating that information is available via the ERC website and by phone

SPEEDING

WE are looking into the possibility of getting an electronic hazard warning sign between Caldwell golf club and the bridge at Welshes garage.

UPLAWMOOR NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Uplawmoor Neighbourhood Watch has been re-activated and Duncan Drummond will say a few words about that shortly.

Wind Turbines.

There has been a lot going on with turbine applications. However there is a noise problem for some residents in the area of the Neilston wind farm. We have been supporting those residents in their efforts to get action on this problem.

Water Supply

We have received several complaints about water supply both quality and quantity. We are running a survey on UPLAWMOOR INFO site so please make sure you fill in the survey so we can assess the extent of the problem.

QUIZ NIGHT

UCC arranged a quiz night in early March in the Mure Hall. Quiz master Charles Brindley did a sterling job and a great evening of

	<p>fun was had by all. The main objective had been to arrange a fun social evening but in addition to this and due to the generosity of those attending £700 was raised. This will be donated to the school and the play group. Many thanks to all those who took part.</p> <p>FINALLY</p> <p>VILLAGE CLEAN UP</p> <p>Finally the annual village clean-up will take place on Saturday 7th May. We are aware this is the day of the Neilston show, however, the clean-up starts at 10 am and takes a little over an hour.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>		
4.0	Treasurer's Report		
4.1	Charles Brindley outlined the report and detailed accounts - see Separate sheet.		
5.0	Neighbourhood Watch Scheme		
5.1	<p>Uplawmoor Neighbourhood Watch Scheme chairman Duncan Drummond advised the meeting that the scheme was re initiated for the safety of the community. Open to all, there is no fee and membership enquiries can be made to him. Security information including internet safety and scam awareness can be accessed on the Neighbourhood Watch website.</p> <p>Duncan was thanked for his presentation.</p>		
6.0	Dates of Future CC meetings.		
6.1	Meetings of UCC take part on the third Monday of each month except December and July in the library at the Mure Hall. (7.30pm)		
7.0	Appointment of Office Bearers.		
7.1	<p>Chairman : Gordon Steel. Proposed - John West Seconded Ivy Cowan.</p> <p>Secretary : Joyce Miller. Proposed Gordon Steel. Seconded Emily Wallace</p> <p>Treasurer : Ross Leggat. Proposed- Joyce Miller. Seconded – Emily Wallace</p>		
8.0	Appointment of Independent Examiner of CC accounts		
8.1	Owen Evans has agreed to examine the accounts again this year. He was thanked for his work and diligence.		

9.0	Matters Arising		
9.1	Trees in the glen. A resident pointed out that there was a previous agreement with ERC that UCC would be informed of any trees to be felled and that they would be marked. Chairman and Councillor Gilbert will make contact with ERC/ Andy McLoy and refer to previous minutes.	Cllr Gilbert G.Steel	
9.2	Superfast Broadband. Concerns were expressed from the floor. ERC are experiencing the same problems of lack of information from British Telecom. Councillor Buchanan will try and approach them again.	Cllr Buchanan.	
9.3	Playing Field Paths. Some work done by development trust but still very muddy. Also high kerbs are restricting access for wheelchairs and prams. Funding might be possible from Whitelee Windfarm community benefit. Councillor Green will enquire.	Cllr Green	
9.4	Lack of road markings at new building site. The road access to Mure Park has not yet been adopted by ERC as the building work is not yet complete although some houses are occupied. Mactaggart and Mickel to be contacted re give way markings onto Neilston road.	G.Steel	
10.0	Any Other Business		
10.1	There was no other business and the AGM was concluded and followed by the regular Community Council meeting.		