

Callander Community Council – December 2020/January 2021 Meeting

1. Camp Place Play Park

Progress this month included:

1. Grants:

- On-line Teams meeting with Stirling Council officers to discuss second major grant application to SUEZ.
- Draft SUEZ application available in December and comments returned before Christmas
- Survey drawn up for comments on preferences for toddler/inclusive equipment but due to extended holiday, Stirling Council were unable to complete putting survey into Google forms for submission to schools until the January term
- Survey now launched and closes on 22nd January with SUEZ grant application being submitted shortly after with results included.
- Survey sent to Plus Forth Valley but CEO contact away until 11th January
- Third Party contribution provided by CCDT Hydro Fund payable only if grant application is successful
- Awaiting outcome of FCC grant application – due March 2021

2. DDA Path from the Towns Centre Accessibility Improvement Award

- A quote is due in January from a Stirling Council contractor to install DDA path.
- Depending on that final quote, one or two picnic benches will be added into the Town Centre Accessibility money.

3. Other:

- **Donations/Crowdfunding** – Progress awaiting submission of SUEZ application. Currently if we are successful in obtaining both grants, then the redesigned play park should be fully funded, apart from a top-up of about £1000 needed to complete the funding required for cleaning and painting the play equipment being retained at Camp Place and for all the play equipment at The Meadows.
- **Outdoor gym equipment** provider suggested by Stirling Council, has now linked with HAGS, one of the original preferred equipment suppliers who were no longer trading in Scotland due to COVID redundancies. HAGS equipment now included in most recent survey.

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2. Flooding/Environment - Lower Craggs Woods

- Stirling Council pegged out the lower woods to mark line of drainage ditches in mid-October but following suggestions by local residents, the line of one of the ditches likely to be changed.
- Information received via Brian (Luti) relating to surface water now tracking down the new zigzag path from the Lower Craggs Woods to Ancaster Road was causing concerns to two owners of houses on the south side of the road where the flood water collects, which are now potentially subject to flooding. MM sent letter to each house owner who have both since responded. Stirling Council informed of problem. This could impact on schedule for works as the accessible bridge may also have to be raised on the zigzag path and the drainage ditches realigned to ensure water does not spill over from burn onto zigzag path.

3. Airtricity - Jazz and Blues Festival Grant Application – Omitted from last month's meeting

- Request received from John Martin for CCC to agree to support the grant application for funding for next year's Jazz and Blues Festival.
- Email acknowledgement confirmed widespread favour amongst councillors but need agreement recorded in the minutes.

Marilyn Moore

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