

CALLANDER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Scheduled meeting 09 August 2021

Chair's report

1. RESIGNATIONS AND REORGANISATION

Following the confirmation from Stirling Council that the Community Council can proceed to co-opt two new members, and to continue its work, we have gone ahead with the appropriate procedures for setting up a separate co-option meeting on 9 August to fill the two vacancies (and hopefully to add some Associate Members with a specific activity focus).

Work has also continued on the various handover areas from the resignees; Airtricity and bank signatory changes are still outstanding.

2. CO-OPTION PROCEDURES (REPEATED FROM THE JUNE REPORT)

The number of places, and the voting procedure, were set out clearly in this communication from Stirling Council:

The Scheme of Establishment states "The number of co-opted members may not exceed a THIRD of the current elected Community Council membership" (Scheme of Establishment, page 12). This means that the maximum number of Co Opted Members you could look to adding to the overall Membership is $((1/3) \times 6 = 2)$ 2, taking your Membership to 8. This number will take your Membership above the minimum accepted and well within the maximum Membership allowed for Callander Community Council.

Once any co-opted member has attended 3 full scheduled meetings, they can then be voted in as full members. During that period, they can undertake the same activities as full members, apart from voting on other co-options. We thus look forward to benefitting from this new range of skills and experience, whether as co-opted, associate or potential full members.

3. MEETINGS

05.08 Monthly online meeting with Stirling Council Roads team leader (Carlyn Fraser). Items discussed:

- **Invertrossachs Road speed limit query.**
- A member of the public had asked why the 20mph limit could not be extended to this road, as it was much-used by cyclists. The reason is that this is a rural rather than a town road, subject to different rules. The general signage will be checked to see if it can stress the potential danger for cyclists and walkers in the case of cars stopping suddenly.
- **Bridgend missing speed bumps:** Following the mention of the danger from cars swerving to avoid the existing bump at the 19.07 meeting, this was

mentioned again (as Martin Earl had also done). Any total removal of the bumps would need agreement of the Primary Parents Council. However, the possibility of removing the single ones will be investigated.

- **Bridgend rail painting:** query over whether this was in the original spec: will be referred again to the appropriate SC department.
- **Ancaster Square cones on pavements and motorcycles:** potential problems have been raised on social media: SC will investigate possible actions in terms of signage and the involvement of enforcement officers.
- ***South Loch Venachar resident concerns** over visitor behaviour (parking on verges and in passing places, plus LLTNP-related issues of camping, fires and waste disposal. To be discussed in an on-site meeting 06.08 – Martin Earl present.

Meetings attended in a personal capacity:

- VIC meetings and several shifts.
- **30.07** CCDT monthly Board meeting

4. FURTHER INFORMATION

*** Wildfires**

<https://bit.ly/3BZDyhQ>

Following the accounts of meetings with members of the South Loch Venachar residents and representatives of the relevant bodies over the past months, as listed in these monthly reports, we can now share a link to a report written by one of those residents which focuses on the increasing risk of fires across Scotland in that and similar areas. It contains numerous suggestions that could help mitigate fire risks and threats in our locality.

Public queries

See above on the Invertrossachs Road speed limit query.

Links and contact numbers for obtaining similar information directly from them, (BEAR, Stirling Council and the LLTNP as appropriate) will be posted on the CCC website as an ongoing resource.

Susan Holden 06.08.21