



# Callander Community Council

Draft minutes of the meeting: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021

On-line meeting via Zoom

**Community Councillors present:** Susan Holden (SH) – Chair, John Watson (JW), Olga Watkins (OW), David Moore (DM), Marilyn Moore (MM), Moe Guertin (MG), David King (DK), Bev Field (BF).

**Also in attendance:** Ward Councillors Evelyn Tweed (ET), Jeremy McDonald (JM), Town Co-ordinator Helen Terry (HT), Lorna Neilson (SW), Patricia Kent (CYP) plus several members of the public (MotP).

**Apologies:** Ward councillor Martin Earl (ME)

**Abbreviations:** All in attendance will be referred to by their initials.

CCC = Callander Community Council; CE = Callander Enterprise; CCDT = Callander Community Development Trust; SC = Stirling Council; LPP = Local Place Plan; NP = Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park; FLS = Forestry and Land Scotland; FOI = Freedom of Information; CC = Callander Community; MotP = Member(s) of the Public; CYP = Callander Youth Project; SW = Scottish Water.

**Chair of Meeting:** Susan Holden

Item	Action
<b>PART A: WELCOME AND PROCEDURES</b>	
<b>A 1. Introduction</b>  SH welcomed all to the meeting. There were apologies from Martin Earl.	
<b>A 2. Recording</b>  SH stated that the meeting was being recorded for the purposes of minute taking only as previously agreed and minuted.	
<b>A 3. Declaration of Interest</b>  There were no declarations of interest.	
<b>PART B: ORGANISATION, OUTSTANDING MATTERS AND MINUTES</b>	
<b>D 1. Organisation</b>  SH stated that there were two invited guests this evening – Trisha Kent, manager from Callander Youth Project (CYP) and Lorna Neilson (SW).	
<b>D 2. Outstanding Matters</b>  Associate members (AM) – SH discussed potential arrangements for associate members – Tim Crone (TC) is awaiting confirmation from SC of associate member status.  There was a discussion about the forthcoming Climate Change event in Callander from 18 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> . September, with 23 events planned, including a panel responding to questions from some High School students.	

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<p><b>D 3.Minutes of Previous Meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of July meeting – no amendments, proposed by DM, seconded by JW</li> <li>• Minutes of August co-option meeting – no amendments, proposed by MG, seconded by DM</li> <li>• Minutes of August business meeting – no amendments, proposed by JW, seconded by BF</li> </ul>	
<p><b>D 4.Matters Arising</b></p> <p>SH reported that there was now a grid for action plans at the end of the minutes, which will be updated every month.</p> <p>There were no actions outstanding from the July meeting.</p> <p>From the August meeting: TC is now the prospective CC representative on the St. Kessogs group. He gave an informal update and a funding update. TC stated that not much progress had been made. There will be a 3D walkthrough in October, but it was unclear whom this would be for. The time scales were unclear for the project as a whole. There was still a funding gap. TC stated that he raised concerns at the meeting – such as the toilets didn't meet planning standards and that there was a problem with emergency exits coming straight on to the public highway. He said the planners were aware of this. He stated also that the community spaces were lacking in detail.</p> <p>It was also unclear how much funding would be available for furniture etc. TC stated that he was happy for MotP to give him questions that he could put to the planners at their next meeting on 18 October 2021.</p>	<p>ALL: send queries to TC before 18.10 meeting</p>
<b><u>PART C: INVITED GUESTS</u></b>	
<p>There were two invited guests this month.</p> <p>Trisha Kent (PK) , from CYP spoke about getting CCC support in buying and installing 'Happy to Talk' plaques on two benches in Callander, one in the Meadows and one in Ancaster Square – to show that the community was supportive of mental health problems. CYP had put a laminated notice on a bench outside its building and had bought the bench for it also. PK also stated that the High School was going to be installing one and the Leisure Centre had been contacted also. DK said he may be able to help to facilitate SC permission on behalf of CCC.</p> <p>MG queried whether a bench in the Camp Place Play Park area should be considered.</p> <p>Lorna Neilson (LN) from Scottish Water gave an update about fitting a water tap in Ancaster Square. There was a general discussion about suitable dates, probably in November, for this, as the main road would need 2 way traffic lights for 8 days in total. She would get back to CCC with dates to consider.</p>	<p>DK to take this forward</p> <p>LN to contact CCC with suitable dates</p>

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<b><u>PART D: REPORTS</u></b>	
<p><b>D 1. Community Council Office Bearers</b></p> <p><b><u>Chair</u></b></p> <p>Written report submitted.</p> <p>SH highlighted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Railings erected which block the pavement in Pearl Street have been reported to SC.</li> <li>• The 20 MPH signs in Main Street that were covered up were also being looked into (ME).</li> <li>• SH chaired the 03.10 Callander Partnership meeting, where Alyn Smith MP was also present. Discussions focussed on the LPP and Claish Farm with potential footbridge provision. Updated clarification from SC requested.</li> <li>• The monthly meeting with SC was delayed due to illness of one of the participants.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Vice-chair</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JW reported that footpath repairs at the Keltie Bridge farmhouse were now completed.</li> <li>• He also stated that the support from SC for CCC was much appreciated.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Secretary</u></b></p> <p>OW reminded all ward councillors and others that written reports should be submitted at least five days before the monthly meeting. If anyone had anything substantial to report, it would be appreciated if a written report could also be submitted – this would help with keeping the public informed as well as with writing the minutes of the meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Treasurer</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MM stated that there was no written report submitted as still difficulty in obtaining bank statements. At present, £18, 380.36 in the bank. Still no change in signatories, but forms have now been submitted to the bank. The SC Admin Grant of £962.62 has been paid in.</li> <li>• There would be no accounts submitted for audit by the end of September due to resignation of previous treasurer. SC will be informed that the accounts would be submitted late because of this.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Planning</u></b></p> <p>Written report submitted.</p> <p>DM highlighted:</p> <p>The application from NP re steps and a ramp in Little Leny Meadows needed more information submitted.</p> <p>Claish Farm land – request by DM to jointly apply with McLaren Leisure for planning permission for land to be used for playing fields.</p> <p>The former Eagle Hotel – DM had contacted NP to inquire what was happening with it as large areas were now open to the elements. The planning officer was checking and arranging a meeting with the applicant's agent and stated that more information will</p>	<p>NP reaction awaited.</p> <p>SC to report at November CP meeting. SH monitor via CP meeting follow-up notes.</p> <p>MM to pursue and report progress.</p> <p>SC to be informed.</p> <p>DM chasing NP.</p> <p>DM and DK follow up.ET will also take it forward.</p>

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<p>be released when available. There was general discussion about health and safety issues with the building. SC Building Control also needs to be involved.</p> <p><b><u>Website/Communications</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MG reported that minute taker post had been advertised on CCC website.</li> <li>• ZOOM account was due to be paid in 6 days</li> <li>• CCC website – there would be a change to some of the layout and would also now link with Facebook feed. Links from the Incallander website to CCC website would be more seamless. CCC would have input in this.</li> <li>• There will be an article on current CCC activity in the October issue of BLV, written by OW, MM and SH.</li> </ul>	<p>ALL: Minute taker is urgent.</p> <p>Any website suggestions to MG. Update at next meeting.</p>
<p><b><u>D 2.Statutory Bodies:</u></b></p> <p><b>Police report</b> submitted. No comments.</p> <p><b>SC</b></p> <p>ET apologised that no written report submitted.</p> <p>She highlighted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Her email inbox was busy with enquiries about homelessness, housing issues, grass cutting etc.</li> <li>• There was a lot of concern from other local CCs about accidents on A84. ET will raise this with Traffic Scotland (TS) and the Scottish Government (SG).</li> <li>• Afghan refugees – there were 3 families being rehoused in Stirling. Anything CCC could do would be welcomed.</li> <li>• ET will be involved in a Climate Change Q and A event in Callander, also involving panel speakers from other bodies, including CCC.</li> <li>• ET discussed the need for allotments in the area.</li> </ul> <p>JM stated that CC may be able to meet F2F after SC holds the 7 October meeting .</p>	<p>ET to raise concerns with TS/SG regarding A84 RTAs</p> <p>JM to confirm when known.</p>
<p><b><u>D 3.Other Callander organisations</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Callander Enterprise</u></b></p> <p>No meeting was held recently: the next one was due the evening after the CCC meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Town Coordinator</u></b></p> <p>Written report submitted, including an update on IOT air pollution monitoring plans.</p> <p>For the LPP, HT highlighted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She had done a land audit, which would go onto LPP website when it became available.</li> <li>• There was general discussion about the need for a footbridge in Callander, to link both sides of the town.</li> </ul>	<p>HT update on LPP progress at next meeting. B/f at November Callander Partnership meeting</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Focus groups for LPP would continue to the end of the year and HT would devise a questionnaire for High School pupils to complete.</li> </ul> <p>Bev Field is the CCC rep on the Steering Group.</p> <p>There were planning anomalies between SC and NP – ET has raised this with SC Chief Executive.</p> <p>There was a general discussion about recycling of soft plastics in the area.</p>	ET to confirm.
<b><u>PART E: PROGRESS REPORTS</u></b>	
<p><b>F 1. <u>Airtricity</u></b></p> <p>Brian Luti (ex-CCC) reported to MM that he was now in contact with someone from Airtricity and was awaiting a response. There would still need to be a change in signatories once the funding was handed over to CCC.</p>	<p>MM to check with Airtricity asap and also obtain all documents.</p> <p>Extremely urgent.</p>
<p><b>F 2. <u>Motorhomes</u></b></p> <p>OW emailed David Hopper (SC) to arrange a further update meeting, but so far had received no reply.</p>	OW to email him again
<p><b>F 3. <u>Camp Place Play Park and BMX track</u></b></p> <p>Written report submitted.</p> <p>MM reported that SC had started to order the play equipment for junior area. There was no design finalised yet for the toddler play area. Potentially Jan- March 2022 for installation. Discussion re advertising of this jointly with SC.</p>	MM to organise publicity with SC when appropriate.
<p><b>F 4. <u>St. Kessogs</u></b></p> <p>See informal report from TC at D.4 Matters Arising.</p>	ALL Send any information requests to TC before 18.10 Working Party meeting.
<p><b>F 5. <u>Environment</u></b></p> <p>Steve Field (SF) had expressed an interest in becoming an AM for environmental issues.</p>	Take forward to next meeting.
<p><b>F 6. <u>Flooding</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Bridgend, Grant Court and South Church Street Flooding Group were in ongoing discussion with SC and would keep CCC informed. The group did not</li> </ul>	

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<p>want to be AM with CCC at present, but will maintain regular 2-way communication. SH is a member in a personal capacity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MM reported that the surface water issues in the Craggs would now not be reported by SC's consultants, WSP, until December.</li> </ul>	SH update at next meeting.
<p><b>F 7. Roads, parking, pavements</b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
<b><u>PART F. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u></b>	
<p><b>F 1. Associate members</b></p> <p>See above</p>	Carry forward to next meeting.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>November 14<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Sunday - wreath would need to be organised for this event and decision made on who would lay it on behalf of the CCC.</li> <li>CE had organised Christmas tree lights and decoration – they may apply to CCC Airtricity to fund both.</li> <li>MotP stated that there was poor access to footbridge over to the Primary School from Police Station end.</li> <li>DK suggested that signage is required from car park at top of Nth Church Street to avoid accidents at the exit of the car park.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>The meeting finished at 21.26 h</u></b></p>	DK to email SH with details and she will take forward to Carlyn Fraser and SC Roads contacts.

Actions Summary		
Name	Action	Date Completed
D4 All	St K questions to TC before 18.10 working party meeting.	
C DK	Query bench plaque permissions with SC.	
C LN (via SH)	Confirm SW dates.	

Actions Summary		
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D1 SH	Carry forward for SC update at CP November meeting.	
D1 MM	Pursue bank signatory change.	
D1 MM	Inform SC on delay over annual account submission.	
D1 DM	Check ramp update with NP.	
D1 DM + DK (+ ET)	Clarify ex-Eagle Hotel position with NP and SC.	
D1 All	Minute taker: URGENT!	
D2 ET	Update on A84 safety.	
D2 JM	Confirm SC position on meetings post 07.10.	
D2 HT	Updates on LPP progress.	
D2 ET	Clarification on SC/NP planning and actions.	
F1 MM	Pursue Airtricity for urgent docs/signatory handover.	
F2 OW	Pursue DH on motorhomes.	
F3 MM	Agree publicity schedule with SC.	
F4 All	St K queries to TC before 18.10.	
F5 SH	Update on Bridgend, Grant Court and South Church St meeting.	
F6 All	Remembrance Sunday details.	
F6 DK/SH	Update from SC on signage and pavement surfaces.	

