



Callander Community Council

Approved minutes of the meeting: Monday 8th November 2021

On-line meeting via Zoom

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

Also in attendance: Ward Councillor, Jeremy McDonald (JM), Town Co-ordinator Helen Terry (HT), plus several members of the public.

Apologies: None given

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.

Chair of Meeting: Susan Holden

Item	Action
PART A: WELCOME AND PROCEDURES	
A1 Introduction SH welcomed all to the meeting, including MF, two members of the public and the Stirling Observer reporter.	
A2 Recording SH stated that the meeting was being recorded for the purposes of minute taking only, as previously agreed and minuted. Given the ongoing lack of an official minute taker, one specific Member is taking responsibility for each Agenda section and these will be consolidated, checked and circulated as normal.	
A3 Apologies Apologies received from Ward Councillors Evelyn Tweed and Martin Earl. OW reported that JW may not be able to attend as he had been ill..	
A4 Agenda items; declarations of specific interest There were no declarations of interest.	
PART B: ORGANISATION, OUTSTANDING MATTERS AND MINUTES	
B1 Minutes of the previous meeting. DM raised a correction to the draft minutes under item D1 Planning. The reference to the new railings on the pavement in Pearl Street should read ‘appeared to be on a public right of way’. There were no other amendments. The amended draft minutes were proposed by DM, seconded by MM and accepted unanimously.	
B2 Matters arising SH and OW explained the introduction of an action point table at the end of the Minutes. The intension was to provide a quick check list for CC members use, the format was a work in progress being improve with experience. JW joined the meeting	
B3 Co-opted members SH announced that the two co-opted members – Bev Field and David King having now served on 3 CCC meetings were now eligible to become full members of Callander Community Council. BF and DK both confirm that they wished to become full members. SH called the election.	

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<p>Bev Field was proposed by MM and seconded by DM then confirmed as a full member with 5 votes (unanimous by those present)</p> <p>David King was proposed by OW and seconded by MG then confirmed as a full member with 5 votes (unanimous by those present)</p> <p>JW dropped out of the meeting and did not vote.</p>	
<p>B4 Additional Community Councillors</p> <p>There was a brief discussion on advertising for additional Community Council, it was agreed that this should be done as soon as practical. MF confirmed that BF and DK were now entitled to vote on all matters and the proposal was agreed unanimously by those present</p>	SH to action Co-Option vacancies and procedures
<p>B5 Notices, Agendas & Minutes,</p> <p>Notice of CCC meetings must be posted 10 days before the meeting, agenda issued not later than the day of the meeting, the approved minutes of the previous meeting to be made available to Stirling Council and to the public as soon as possible after the meeting. OW indicated her intention to issue the notice of a meeting 14 days before the meeting, the indicative agenda including key issues 4 days before the meeting, this would be updated on the day of the meeting if necessary. Notices and Agendas would be displayed in the Post Office the Library and on the VIC notice board. Approved Minutes of the previous meeting would be available in the Library.</p>	OW to action
<p>B6 Minute Taker</p> <p>SH restated the need for CCC to have a regular minute taker, MF was making enquires within Stirling Council. DM asked if the display screen in the VIC could display and advertisement for the position. All would be followed up.</p>	MF pursuing
<p>B7 Objection</p> <p>DK expressed concern that one of the screens on display in the meeting was showing a political stance. MF confirmed that this was not permitted. This appeared to be a mistake because connection problems had required a change of device. An apology was made to all and accepted.</p> <p>JW left the meeting</p>	
<p>B8 Annual General Meeting</p> <p>BF asked when all CCs should return to the previous practice of holding AGMs in April, May or June. SH proposed April, seconded by MG, this was unanimously agreed by the 7 members present. MF indicated that this meant that the next AGM would be on Monday 11th April 2022</p>	OW to arrange public notices for AGM 14 days beforehand
PART C: MATTERS OF CURRENT CONCERN & INVITED VISITORS	
<p>C1 Local Place Plan update (HT)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Discussions with neighbouring places continue. Killin, Balquhidder and Strathyre have completed their LPPs and Aberfoyle is starting their final consultation. The discussions seek to identify areas of common concern with a view to investigating the potential for linked initiatives arising from the communities Place Plan consultations. Responses for the LPP are needed from all areas of Callander. HT had discussion with Stirling Roads about their 2019 Traffic Capacity assessment. She also discussed the potential for a pedestrian bridge and thinks that there is a potential way forward if the community votes to make this a priority in the LPP. 5 focus groups now done. HT questioned whether or not we needed to continue with them, as most comments are now about non-planning issues. 	Carry forward for wider discussion at the December Callander Partnership meeting.

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<p>e. The Place Standard Survey will be rolled out in December and will run until January 30th, 2022. Hard copies will be available on request or at the library. HT has written an article for the next BLV to promote the Place Standard Survey.</p> <p>f. The High School Survey - still awaiting replies. The answers so far would suggest that the High School students “liked living here”.</p> <p>JM was asked if the community could feed in suggestions from the LPP to the planners of the Claish Farm development, before they presented their draft plan in April 2022. He suggested writing to SC development team with suggestions.</p>	
<p>C2 Public request for pedestrian crossing near the High School A request has been sent by ME to SC regarding this and it is being considered</p>	
<p>C3 Proposed care home at Lagrannoch DM referred to the Planning Report. The development looked reasonable, seemed to be of a good standard and the site was appropriate. There was an area left clear for “future development” – could this be used for as the access link route to a future road a bridge? Discussion about community involvement. CCC felt it was important to have a meeting for the public to ask questions. DM will contact the NP and the Care Home providers to see if they would attend a public meeting as soon as possible. Full planning permission is being sought, so as soon as possible..</p>	DM to contact the developer about a possible public presentation.
<p>C4 Water tap in Ancaster Square This was discussed and it was highlighted that Paul Fraser, some High School students, Callander Against Plastics and some CCC members had proposed and developed the project with Scottish Water. The tap was now in place and waiting for it to be fully commissioned.</p>	Sh to contact SW to update Paul fraser and group.
<p>C5 ‘Happy To Chat’ Bench SC will permit the community 2 benches to have “ Happy to Chat” plaques put onto them. One will be in Ancaster Square North and one will be in the Meadows – we need to decide which benches will be most suitable There will be a cost for the plaques and their attachment, which all agreed that CCC will fund. Voting: show of hands. Unanimous agreement.</p>	DK to carry forward with SC
<p>PART D: REPORTS</p>	
<p>D1 Community Council Office Bearers Chair Written report submitted Vice-chair MG read a statement from JW: JW apologised for his ‘Aye’ photograph. This appeared because of a technical problem. He stated the schedule for the Remembrance Sunday service, procession and wreath laying that will take place on Sunday 14th November 2021 He noted that 2021 is the centenary of the Royal British Legion and that Callander is one of only 14 Scottish branches that have kept going for the full century. Secretary Written report submitted. Additionally, MF has posted an advert for a minute taker on Stirling Council’s website. Due to the minute taker vacancy, the recording of minutes of this meeting is being shared by a number of councillors to allow OW to participate more fully in the meeting.</p>	<p>JW</p> <p>OW</p>

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<p>Treasurer Written report submitted. Additionally, an application for Airtricity funding was received today. MM has drafted an email to Greencoat informing them of this and requesting an urgent response. SH supported that this should be done as soon as possible. This application will be discussed by Community Councillors prior to the next meeting. MM proposed that signatories to the CCC Bank accounts should be as follows: Chair Susan Holden, Vice-Chair John Watson, Secretary Dr. Olga Watkins, Treasurer Marilyn Moore This was unanimously agreed.</p> <p>Planning Report submitted including site plan of proposed care home at Lagrannoch site. Discussed earlier in C3.</p> <p>Website/Communications Report submitted. Additionally, MG stated that he has 3 zoom expense claims to submit.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>All to review</p> <p>MG</p>
<p>D2 Statutory Bodies:</p> <p>Police Report submitted. No comments.</p> <p>Stirling Council No written report submitted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claish Farm – DM confirmed that McLaren Leisure was engaged with the working group developing a brief for the Primary School/Campus proposed development. • Flooding – following a meeting with Maria Lucey (SC), a provisional list of realistic/practical proposals will soon be available for discussion, decision making and funding requests. There was some discussion around the options as they currently stand. SH will invite Maria Lucey to attend the December CCC meeting if she is at an appropriate stage to report on progress then. • City of Culture – Stirling’s is one of last 8 proposals. The bid encompasses the entire area, not just the city. JM believes that this is an opportunity to engage with cultural heritage of the communities throughout the Stirling District. MM highlighted some of the heritage and cultural work that has taken place in Callander. • New River crossing - JM stated that he is happy to support the Callander community in this and has been discussing it with ME. • Care - There is currently a consultation as to whether there should be a national care service or whether additional funding should be given to councils to improve care services. <p>National Park No report submitted. ME report via SH:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Loch Venacher - ME will meet again with residents and National Park later in the month. He and possibly some of the residents will report fully at the December meeting. 	<p>SH</p> <p>JM</p> <p>ME</p>

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PART E: PROGRESS REPORTS	
<p>E1 Airtricity Report submitted, covered under the Treasurer’s section. The situation is still unresolved. Greencoat Capital (the administering body for Airtricity) will be meeting in mid-November. An application has just been received for an Airtricity grant from a local social enterprise organisation. It will be reviewed, but further information is awaited from Greencoat who have been informed of the receipt of the application.</p>	MM to progress
<p>E2 Motorhomes At a meeting was held 8th November between CCC, NP and SC indicated that they had planned for 4 motorhome bays in Station Road car park. CCC requested that SC identify more places as there are often 12 or 14 motorhomes staying overnight. Investment in Aires-style facilities is not likely to happen until 2023. However, NP indicated that they had money for Aires infrastructure across the park, now classed as capital items. CCC will push for the programme to be implemented as soon as possible because this has been considered urgent and has been on-going for at least 5 years and there is not yet a plan to put to the Community for consultation.</p>	OW/MM
<p>E3 Camp Place Play Park and BMX track Written report submitted. Update information – meeting with SC to agree actions and responses to the Green Recovery Grant queries from NP. Play equipment now ordered, ongoing issues with delivery times. These might impact date(s) of play park installation BMX Track Reminder given to SC at the Play Park meeting for a decision on the proposed plan for reinstating the BMX/Bike track. SC will follow up, but it will go to senior management for a decision.</p>	MM to progress
<p>E4 St.Kessogs A report was submitted by TC, mainly detailing the meeting notes from 19th October meeting with Stirling Council and the architects. A question was raised as to where the Registrar’s office would be but this important function has not yet been included in the plans. The architects will be meeting with the library staff soon. It is anticipated that the Stage 2 design will be signed off by end December with a meeting prior to that on 17th November. However, meetings are still to be held with the NP planners and various other groups including the Stirling Access panel as there are accessibility issues with the building</p>	TC to progress
<p>E5 Environment See also under AOB. Opportunity for training and support from Keep Scotland Beautiful for Callander to create a Callander Climate Action Plan. This could link in part to the LPP which would have legislative force behind it and better options for funding. Unanimous agreement for MM and Carol McGowan to proceed with application. BF has offered to review as CCC representative on LPP and SH has also offered to comment.</p>	MM/BF to progress

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<p>E6 Flooding Covered under Part D by JM in verbal presentation from Stirling Council. Ward councillors have met with SC Team Lead Maria Lucey who went through the modelling work being done. Community consultation will be held once all information is available to narrow down flood scheme options.</p>	All – review progress at next meeting
<p>E7 Roads, Parking, Pavements No particular updates apart from references by JM about parking management plan for Callander still being deferred.</p>	
PART F: ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
<p>F1 Community Climate Action Plan proposal MM explained that, following the September Climate Fringe Event activities, Keep Scotland Beautiful had contacted the organisers offering a training programme opportunity as part of a potential Climate Action Plan. This involves submitting the answers to 7 questions by 12 November. BF and SH offered to help with the application. MM accepted.</p>	All. Review at next meeting
<p>F2 Coillhallan Wood Group SH referred to the past unsuccessful application for SLF funding for community purchase of Coillhallan Wood Lesley Hawkins (LH) had informed us of the formation of a new/expanded group and would welcome a CC rep. BF will attend their initial meeting on 10 November in a personal capacity</p>	Decide at 13 December meeting if we should have a CCC representative in the group.
<p>F3 Date of next Scheduled Meeting This will be on 13.12.21 at 7.30 pm Live or online tbc. MF <i>apologised</i> for absence in advance but confirmed a colleague would attend in her place.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">The meeting ended at 21.58.</p>	

Actions Summary		
Name	Action	Date Completed
SH	C1 - Commence co-option process	
DM	C3- Contact care home developer	
DK	C5 – progress with SC re bench plaques	
JW	D1 – complete arrangement for wreath laying ceremony	
OW	D1 – monitor progress for a new minute secretary	
MM	D1 – continue to chase Greencoat re Airtricity	

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MG	D1 – submit expense claims	
JM	D2 – to pursue with Sc the need for a new river crossing	
SH	D2 – Contact Maria Lucey	
ME	D2 – meet NP officers & Loch Venacher residents	
MM	E1 – to chase Greencoat re contract	
OW/MM	E2 – pursue NP & Sc for a more urgent solution	
TC	E4 – attend next meeting with SC	
BF/MM	E5 – report on developments	
All	F1 – Review at next meeting	
All	F2 - Decide on CCC representation	