Martin Earl – SC report for Community Council meeting on 13th. December 2021

Storm Arwen

There clearly needs to be a series of follow up actions taken regarding the impact and responses to the recent storm. I have been in correspondence with both Jim Dickie (Risk & Resilience Manager) and the CEO Carol Beattie at Stirling Council. It has been agreed that there will be an opportunity for Communities impacted by the storm to supply their feedback on what took place and their suggestions/comments on what could & should be done better. Communication , early boots on the ground and resource access & deployment are all key areas that have raised concerns. Some areas around Callander were off power for significantly longer than most – such as Keltie Bridge and Molendhu Rd properties.

Waste Collections

There continues to be missed collections and issues surrounding the new bin schedule. People should report these, or at least attempt to, as there are also clearly problems with the customers service consistency and access. Should attempts to report either online or by phone (01786 404040 https://www.stirling.gov.uk/online-forms/new-missed-additional-or-replacement-bin/) not be successful people should advisor one of their Stirling Councillors who can raise the matter directly.

Provosts Awards 2022

Here is a link to details about the Awards, this year taking place on February 26. The wards will seek to acknowledge the work of many unsung people throughout the pandemic and lockdowns. The deadline for nominations is January 14. Nomination forms can be obtained by contacting the Council via email: civicoffice@stirling.gov.uk, or post: Mary Bright, PA to the Provost, Stirling Council, Old Viewforth, Stirling, FK8 2ET.

Stirling Council Meeting 8 December

A rather large agenda (658 pages) resulted in a long meeting. Here is a link to the agenda. https://minutes.stirling.gov.uk/PDFs/Scouncil/Agendas/CouncilAgenda.pdf

Items that may be of interest :- Annual Performance report, Local Government Benchmarking report (compares Stirling to the other 31 Scottish Councils), Covid 19 Response Plan, Anew deputations procedure is being introduced to provide an opportunity for people/groups to present to Council regarding an item on the agenda, Cycling World Championship 2023 – part coming to Stirling.

There will also be a special Council meeting on 15 December to discuss the Bridges Asset Management Plan. This will be significant given the number of structures in poor condition and prompted by the two collapses in the neighbouring Forth & Endrick Ward.

Other

I am awaiting a response to my query with BEAR regarding an update on the phase 3 resurfacing works due for the main street. I will advise the CC as soon as get information.

Formal request made to Officers regarding a formalised crossing to the high school from the Mollands houses. Also raised issues with pedestrians walking in to school/MLC area from new properties at Claish.