# Riverside Community Council Meeting Minutes 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020

A virtual meeting was held because of the Corona virus restrictions

Members PresentIn AttendanceApologiesFiona BerrowDanny GibsonSusan McGillPhil BoydellAndrew FraserSue DumbletonDavid ShermanIsabella GorskaEmily McLaughlinJoan Murphy

Five Riverside residents joined the meeting

No Declaration of Interest was recorded.

#### 2) Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes for February Meeting were adopted

SD Proposed AS Seconded

# 3) Matters Arising from previous minutes (not to be addressed within the meeting):

None to be discussed

## 4) Police Report

Alison Swanson

Community Officers unable to attend. Report given by Emily.

## 5) Community Council Resignations

lan Boa, Treasurer, Diane Alderdice and Phil Boydell all tendered their resignations. Diane and Phil would like to continue to work alongside the Riverside Community Council in associate roles.

RCC would like to sincerely thank lan, Di and Phil for working with us in our first year. Their help and support had been invaluable and they have been a pleasure to work with.

## 6) Appointment of Treasurer

Emily McLaughlin proposed Fiona Berrow as Treasurer, Sue Dumbelton seconded. Fiona Berrow accepted.

#### 7) Co-Option of New Members

We have three vacancies which has allowed us to recruit new community councillors for Riverside. RCC is very grateful to everyone who considered joining the team and we are very excited to welcome new members.

The process is ongoing and we are in contact with applicants to support them through the process.

## 8) Reports:

#### 8a) Chair's Report

Joan Murphy offered a big thank you to all the Riverside volunteers who have offered to support the community through the Coronavirus lock down. It is wonderful to see the kindness and support the community is showing.

RCC is aware that the effects of the coronavirus and lock down is still a big concern and reiterated that the support network is still in place and help and friendship is available.

Joan Murphy thanked the three members of RCC, Ian Boa, Di Alderdice and Phil Boydell who are stepping down. Each has offered valuable skills, support and enthusiasm and RCC is appreciative of their hard work this past year.

Joan Murphy thanked all the people who applied to join RCC.

Joan Murphy noted that there ares till a number of ongoing activities and that they are listed on the document that Emily McLaughlin has circulated

Joan Murphy thanked Phil Boydell for the use of his Zoom account and hosting this meeting.

## 8b) Secretary's Report

Emily McLaughlin indicated that there was a list available of all the current activities that the community council was addressing.

Giant Hogweed is a pressing concern for the community. RCC has had assurances that Stirling Council is aware of the situation and is addressing it appropriately and in a timely manner. (Thank you to Clr Danny Gibson for his help in this matter.)

Due to stretched resources and limited services many issues will not be addressed immediately however Emily McLaughlin assured everyone that when services resume all pending items will be dealt with accordingly.

Emily McLaughlin re-iterated that the e-mail account is still monitored and e-mails replied to so RCC are still very keen to hear from the community

## 8c) Treasurer's Report

Joan Murphy gave the treasurer's report.

Unrestricted Admin Minutes Noticeboards Covid19 Total
Current Balances :228.44 565.59 110.00 1485.00 489.33 2978.43

lan Boa has started the transition with Fiona Berrow, though access to the account and signatories will be addressed when the coronavirus allows.

Stirling Council has given RCC £500 to assist in the Coronavirus Community Response.

£100.07 cheque was raised and sent to Stirling Council from the money saved at the Christmas Party

## 8d) Planning Issues

lan Boa raised two planning issues:

**20/00187** – pertaining to allowing Riverside Quay to offer short term lets during the summer. RCC placed an objection and requested to speak at a hearing.

Due to the coronavirus and certain services being suspended, Isabella Gorska has been in touch with Stirling Council for an update as meetings are to be held virtually, going forward. This is to be discussed further by Stirling Council.

#### **Barrack Signage**

An anomaly was discovered when it was noted in the Planning Schedule that permission had not been given for new signage around the Barracks. However there was no notification of the application in November.

Isabella Gorska has been in touch with Stirling Council about this and RCC agreed to investigate further.

#### 9) Adoption of Children and Vulnerable Adult Policy

Thanks were given to Diane Alderdice for her extensive work on producing this document.

Fiona Berrow Proposed Joan Murphy Seconded

## 10) Shiphaugh Commemoration

Plans for a celebration of the Shiphaugh Housing Development's Centenary have had to be reviewed because of Corona virus restrictions.

Sue Dumbleton proposed that a tree be purchased for planting at the end of the year. In addition, information leaflets can be produced for distribution when the situation allows.

It was agreed that Sue Dunbleton can apply for funding through the Community Pride Fund

## 11) Heritage Trail Leaflets

Following on from previous discussion it was agreed that Fiona Berrow would apply to the Community Pride Fund to finance the printing of 1000 leaflets about the heritage walk around Riverside and Cambuskenneth.

#### 12) A.O.B

Clr Danny Gibson informed RCC that, with the exception of special collections, Polmaise recycling centre was fully functioning again. Stirling Council was given thanks for this effort.

Clr Danny Gibson offered to help look into the Barrack signage item.

Isabella Gorska raised the potential issue of the Christmas Party for the Over 80's being unable to go ahead due to the coronavirus restrictions. IG suggested that Christmas parcels could be a good alternative. This would allow personal engagement with the Riverside community and with the potential to engage with Riverside Primary School with children's pictures etc. This was considered a great idea and agreed upon.

A post Coronavirus celebration was suggested for discussion in the future to commend the community and volunteers for their resilient sprit and kindness throughout this time.

#### 13) Date of Next Drop In

# Tuesday 16th June 2pm

Next meeting date to be decided after discussion on the success of using Zoom.