Riverside Community Council

Meeting Minutes

28th October 2020

Members Present In Attendance Apologies

Fiona Berrow Fiona Dyet Di Alderdice

Robert Dale Andrew Fraser Phil Boydell

Sue Dumbleton Clr Susan McGill David Sherman

Sandra Engstrom Clr Jim Thomson

Emily McLaughlin

Joan Murphy

Ashleigh Phillips

Alison Swanson

Five Riverside residents joined the meeting

1) Declaration of Interest

No Declaration of Interest was recorded.

2) Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes for September Meeting were adopted

Fiona Berrow proposed; Sue Dumbleton seconded

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

Emily noted that many issues that were raised at the September meeting were ongoing with no update this month. These items will continue to be addressed.

4) Co-Option of New Community Councillors

Robert (Bob) Dale’s co-option was proposed by Emily McLaughlin, and seconded by Fiona Berrow.

Fiona Dyet’s appointment as Associate Member was proposed by Sue Dumbleton, and Seconded by Bob Dale

5) Reports:

a) Chair’s Report

 Joan Murphy started the meeting discussing some of the positive things going to as we head into winter.

* Shiphaugh houses turned 100 years old on the date of the meeting – at the first meeting of the current Community Council a resident suggested that an event was held to commemorate this and a tree will shortly be planted with a plaque and leaflets in celebration.
* The Riverside Heritage Trail leaflets will shortly be printed after being updated.
* Ashleigh Phillips will be hosting Riverside Community Council’s first online community quiz on the 27th November 2020. All are welcome.
* A sub-group has been working together to arrange for parcels to be delivered to some of Riverside’s older residents.
* Discussions are ongoing about hosting Wellbeing Walks
* The advent windows are in the process of being organised and will bring some much needed light and cheer to Riverside during December.
* Some houses have decorated their windows for Halloween.
* There are many innovative businesses within our community who are bringing people together.

Joan Murphy discussed the community planters. The Riverbank Centre contract to tend to the boxes has been completed and the Community Council are now responsible for them. They will shortly be cleared for the winter and bulbs could be planted for the spring.

Joan Murphy attended an online course regarding Community Resilience – a summary is available.

Riverside Quay 20/00187/FUL – The application to allow short terms lets in the summer months at Riverside Quay was denied. Thank you to Andrew Fraser for speaking at the hearing and all the work undertaken to prepare.

The new lighting at Lovers Walk was installed. Sue Dumbleton has requested further details to ascertain whether this is within the plans for the Participatory Budget programme.

b) Secretary’s Report

It was decided to host our Annual General Meeting on the 25th November 2020 before our general meeting.

31st October – Celebrating Black Success in Central Scotland Online Event

2nd November – Meeting of the Electric Car Club

25th November - AGM & Public Meeting

27th November – Riverside Community Quiz

Police Report - Community Officers unable to attend. Report given by Emily. There were 4 detected cases and 4 undetected cases which are part of an ongoing investigation.

The three detected cases relate to fraud, vandalism and an assault and a racially motivated hate activity.

c) Treasurers Report

Fiona Berrow gave the treasurer's report.

There is over £500 of unrestricted funds and over £400 remaining of the COVID Grant money.

The bank accounts are looking healthy and in order.

The Community Council has recently been approached by a couple of community groups/members asking for support with raising funds. Whilst we are keen to support projects/activities that benefit the community, we do not have unlimited funds and much of the money in the Community Council account may only be spent on specified items/activities. We are in the process of putting together a brief application form for community members/groups to complete to request Community Council support for fundraising or applying for grants etc.

d) Planning Issues

There were no planning issues this month.

6) Sub- Groups

a) Active Travel and Sustainable Transport

The Active Travel survey is now complete and will be launched mid-November. This will be accessible through the Community Council website and can be complete via telephone too. This will run until the 31st January 2021.

b) Parking

Stirling Council has been asked to investigate the possibility of “double pips” paint installed on the corners around the school.

c) Defibrillators

The Christmas Advent Windows are being organised with the number of windows not being restricted so all households that wish to participate can do so.

Scottish Mountain Rescue were given the” 3 Word “ location to our defibrillators

Stirling Council will be asked to investigate the possibility of relocating the defibrillator installed at the school due to the access and visibility issues the current location has.

A report will be given after Christmas regarding the success of the winter fundraising campaign and projected costs for the following year.

d) Shiphaugh

Art Is An Option has offered seven different designs for the sign. These were discussed and comments made for further amendments.

A beech tree will be planted instead on an Oak as we were notified by Stirling Council that we are unable to buy Oak saplings due to the Oak Processionary Moth outbreak.

Monument Press has designed and printed the commemorative leaflets which are ready to deliver. Many thanks to George for his help and support with this. This will be in conjunction with the tree being planted.

7) A.O.B

Bob Dale discussed the idea of making a commemorative video of Riverside, it’s community, history and it’s beauty. This could include pictures, videos, stories, music etc. Anyone who wanted to be involved with ideas and inspiration can contact Bob through the Community Council’s email address.

10) Date of Next Meeting

AGM - 25th November 2020 7pm via Zoom

Public Meeting – 25th November 2020 – 7.45pm Zoom