

Symington Community Council Meeting.

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 16th January 2024 in the Hall for All.

1. Present: Liz Kelly, Julie Howie, Dave Houfe, John Mulholland, Sheila Murray, Ailsa Paterson.
In attendance: Cllr Dettbarn, Jan McGarry, and ten members of the public.
2. Apologies: Jillian Mulholland.
3. All Members of the Community Council introduced themselves.
4. Declarations of Interest – none.
5. Approval of Minutes- proposed by John Mulholland, seconded by Dave Houfe.
6. Matters Arising-
 - 6.1 Bus Realtime – ARA are to contact Macmic. re: progressing this matter.
 - 6.2 Bus timetables within village reported to be currently display the wrong information. Liz and Dave agreed to contact SPT and Cllr. Townson for clarification. Action: Dave/Liz
 - 6.3 Traffic Calming – All CCs. in South Ayrshire are now on board and the next stage will be for a Traffic Regulation Order and the appointment of a contractor to undertake this work.
 - 6.4 Lollipop Person – Cllr. Dettbarn agreed to chase this up and report back.
Action: Cllr Dettbarn
 - 6.5 Sign on Kerrix Road, bench on Kerrix Road, finger post at Main St./ Symington Rd. North, playpark Brewlands Crescent.- meeting to be held this month SAC to discuss funding allocation.
 - 6.6 Pavilion – Andy McColm senior and Andy McColm junior attended the meeting to provide an update on progress from the former Gym's perspective. There are currently 120 gym members all of whom reside in the village. It is understood that the Pavilion building which was insured, is to be re-built by SAC. However the gym equipment was not insured, and will require to be replaced. It was suggested that the internal footprint of the new pavilion is modified to include a gym and a matted multi-use area. A number of groups including the school have expressed an interest in using the new facility. Community Asset Transfer will be considered in the future. Meantime Cllr. Dettbarn will provide the committee with regular SAC updates. Action: Cllr Dettbarn
 - 6.7 Youth Club – unable to take this matter forward at present due to lack of community support.
7. Police Report:- not available. Secretary agreed to contact Police Scotland for an updated report. Action: Dave

Previous proposal for Kyle and Ayr West Community Council representatives to meet with Police Scotland has not been progressed. Cllr Dettbarn agreed to raise at up-coming meeting of councillors and Police Scotland. Action: Cllr Dettbarn

8. Speeding within village – residents are still concerned re: speeding - particularly on Main Street and Brewlands Road. It was agreed that the CC. will email the police and request attention to this. Action: Dave
9. Secretary's Report: Official notices for Community Council by-elections have been posted in local shops.
10. Treasurer's Report: A total of £3,470-88p is in our account.
11. Planning: Response to Regulatory Panel Concerns - no further information available. One planning application
12. Elected Member's Reports: none.
13. Wildflower Project: To date around 40 trees have been planted in and around village- with 'adopters' for all trees. Hedgerows are still to be planted and new signs have been erected on the Wildflower Verge - thanks to Nectar Network and Scottish Wildlife Trust. Dave informed the meeting that he is now a member of Scottish Communities Climate Action. Dave has had contact with other community councils in S.Ayrshire and will make a submission to SAC, requesting that Community Councils are included in the Biodiversity Plan consultation.
14. Election of New Community Council Members.- Liz reminded everyone of vacancies for the Community Council and encouraged people to consider applying. Noted that the closing date for applications is 4pm on 19th February 2024.
15. AOCB.- Concerns remain re: camera facing directly onto SYM1 and question raised as to whether or not a sign should be erected to inform of its existence. Cllr. Dettbarn agreed to investigate. Action: Cllr Dettbarn
16. Date of next meetings:
Tuesday 20th February 2024
Tuesday 19th March 2024
6.30pm (Community Councillors pre-meeting), 7 pm (public meeting) in Hall2 Symington Community Hall, Main Street.