

**Symington Community Council: minutes of meeting held on 17th January 2023 at 7pm in the Hall for All, Symington**

**Present:** Liz Kelly (Chair), Dave Houfe, Julie Howie, Ailsa Paterson, Sheila Murray, Jillian Mulholland.

**Apologies:** John Mulholland, Stuart Pike, Paul McCluskey

**In attendance:** Cllr. Stephen Ferry, Cllr. Julie Dettbarn, Cllr. Duncan Townson, Jan McGarry.

1.	<b>Declaration of interest:</b> There were no declarations of interest.	
2.	<b>Minutes of previous meeting (19<sup>th</sup> November 2022)-</b> Proposed by Julie Howie and seconded by Dave Houfe.	
3.	<p><b>Matters Arising and outstanding items:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bin collections /recycling – Cllr Dettbarn confirmed that household waste disposal streams in South Ayrshire are well documented and that all waste is being managed appropriately. Liz Kelly asked Cllr Dettbarn to provide a brief email re: this matter for the Community Council record.</li> <li>• We have now received a response from ARA re: proposed traffic calming measures. It was agreed to contact ARA regarding a possible ‘walk-round ‘ before the next CC meeting with members prior to any public consultation.</li> <li>• Bowling Club signage – no update.</li> <li>• War Memorial names – awaiting further information for SAC to be able to progress. Liz agreed to contact Mr J. Nimmo.</li> <li>• Winter resilience – no further information available.</li> <li>• Telegraph poles on Kerrix Road, response received from Open Reach confirming that due to matters pertaining to cost, the poles were sited above ground .</li> <li>• Road traffic accident – Symington Road South /A77 – no further information available.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Cllr. Dettbarn.</i></p> <p><i>Julie Howie</i></p> <p><i>Liz Kelly</i></p>
4.	<p><b>Police Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nothing of significance to report.</li> </ul>	
5.	<p><b>Secretary’s Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information from VASA is regularly passed on to other groups within Symington.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grit Bins/ winter resilience – grit bins and associated equipment have been provided in response to a direct request by local residents who are now undertaking gritting of roads/pathways at SYM1.</li> <li>• Active travel- improvements between Symington and Bogend Toll – 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023- March 2023.</li> <li>• Cosy spaces – VASA able to offer advice and help with cost of living crisis. Link will be placed on Community Council website.</li> <li>• Craigie to Bogend Toll - water mains upgrade. Work should be completed by mid February, with final resurfacing in March.</li> </ul>	<i>Action: Julie Howie</i>
6.	<p><b>Planning:</b> Following attendance at the November 2022 meeting of the Regulatory Panel, Community Council have raised concerns with SAC regarding the current procedure for Hearings, which does not enable objectors to respond to inaccurate information conveyed to Regulatory Panel members. Awaiting a response from SAC.</p>	
8.	<p><b>Treasurers Report :</b> £5,723-45p in account – this includes ring-fenced monies for Xmas tree and Mental Health Project.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Elected Member's Reports:</b> Cllr. Townson has contacted SPT who have confirmed that there is currently no money available to install a real time bus timetable – it was pointed out that this was one of the conditions attached by planning to the SYM1 development and therefore should have been followed up by planning enforcement. It was agreed that Julie will liaise with Planning Department regarding this.</p>	<i>Julie Howie</i>
10.	<p><b>Mental Health Project:</b> The last part of the project, the establishment of a community garden, is being progressed with proposals being considered for an area behind the Community Hall. Anyone interested in helping with this would be most welcome.</p>	<i>Liz Kelly</i>
11.	<p><b>Wildflower Project:</b> The intention is to widen the scope of this project to</p>	

	include gardens within the village. SWT and Dave Houfe to work up plans for community engagement with a possible workshop held at a later date.	<i>Dave Houfe</i>
12.	<p><b>AOCB:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are numerous potholes throughout the village – People were advised to report these via the SAC website as soon as possible.</li> <li>• Speed checks are to be carried out by local police.</li> <li>• Liz intimated that there are vacancies on the Community Council and urged anyone interested to consider applying. Application forms are available from the Secretary or online. Posters to be displayed throughout the village and information on CC website and Facebook page. Closing date 16<sup>th</sup> February.</li> </ul>	
13.	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting:</b> 21st February 2023: 6.30pm Community Councillors pre-meeting, 7pm. Public Meeting.</p> <p>Thereafter, the third Tuesday in each month to June 2023.</p>	