

Symington Community Council: Minutes of meeting held on Tues 20th June at 7pm in the Hall for All, Symington.

Present: Liz Kelly, Dave Houfe, Julie Howie, Sheila Murray, Ailsa Paterson, Felicity Thompson, John Mulholland, Jillian Mulholland.

Apologies: Sean Robertson.

In attendance: Cllr. Dettbarn, Jan McGarry SAC.

1.	Declaration of interest: There were no declarations of interest.	
2.	Minutes of previous meeting (16th May 2023) and AGM Proposed by Liz Kelly and seconded by Sheila Murray	
3.	Correction to draft minute April 2023: Re: Childrens' play park areas and equipment- Responsibility for maintenance of these areas now lies with the residents of Deer Meadow. Maintenance is organised by the factor.	
4.	<p>Matters Arising and outstanding items :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SUDS SYM1.- the compliance officer at SAC will work with the developer /factor to ensure work is completed • Cutting of grass verges on Kerrix Road – ARA cut only a small section – further information to be acquired. • 20mph – all our recommendations have been accepted by ARA and we will be notified by ARA. when the works are to be undertaken. • Signs on Kerrix Road, bench Kerrix Road , finger post at Main Street/Symington Road North junction, playpark Brewlands Crescent – it is hoped that these will all be addressed when the next tranche of money is allocated to the wards – next report will be available September after council recess. • Place Planning - lead post is still vacant. Due to the delay, the place plan for Symington may require to be updated. • To date there has been no response to the adverts for a Minutes Secretary and co-opted member. 	<p align="center"><i>Cllr. Dettbarn</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Cllr. Dettbarn</i></p>

5.	<p>Police Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 incidents of disorder and 2 reports of assault within a contained environment - appropriate support has been put in place, no injuries nor risk to the public. • Drugs supply – no incidents. • Anti social behaviour – nil. • Domestic abuse – nil (continues to be an area of focus for officers with support as appropriate). • Acquisitive crime – nil. • Community Wellbeing – officers continue to respond to a high number of these incidents and will involve partner agencies as required. • Road safety /speeding – nothing to report. 	
6.	<p>Treasurers Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accounts for 1/04/21- 31/03/22 have now been audited. Dave Houfe has replaced Paul McCluskey as an authorised signatory. • The meeting agreed to the closure of Symington Community Council (Shaw Park) Scottish Building Society Account held on behalf of Symington Spark. All monies to be transferred to the current account held under the name of Symington Spark at Virgin Money Kilmarnock. 	
8.	<p>Secretary's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanks sent to Fiona Ross at SAC for removal of redundant notice boards. • Funding opportunities forwarded to various groups within village. • Response received from Craig Isles – Head of Planning SAC re: complaint. • Consultation on NPF 4 is available online and is open till 20th July 2023. (National Planning Framework (NPF4). • Planning Democracy has reported that Edinburgh City Council have passed a motion to allow equal rights of appeal. Planning Democracy intend to pursue this with the Scottish Govt. 	
9.	<p>Planning Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still waiting information on procedural change at Regulatory Panel. • Real time bus tracker and timetable – has been raised under an enforcement enquiry. • No further planning applications for Symington. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Members of the public informed the meeting of a potential application for 35 houses at Coodham estate. 	
10.	<p>Pollinator Friendly Symington:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 gardens currently signed up as friends of the Project.- a further 8 gardens still to be visited. • A variety of leaflets and information from the Scottish Wildlife Trust are being supplied to gardeners. • Scottish Wild Life Trust's Nectar Network is providing expert advice when needed. • 15 Garden Signs and 250 stickers have been procured at a cost of £321. • Pollinator Friendly Symington – featured as part of our Community Council Stall at the Gala. 	
11.	<p>Mental Health Project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some underspend from the project has been used to buy signs for Pollinator Friendly Symington and to contribute to the upgrading of the Memorial Garden. • Community garden is going well. 	
12.	<p>AOCB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shaw Park Pavilion will be rebuilt – cause of fire not yet determined. • A member of the public raised concerns re: trees at Bus Stop overgrowing – Liz to contact landowner 	<i>Liz Kelly</i>
13.	<p>Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 19th September 2023, 6.30pm Community Councillors pre-meeting, 7pm Public Meeting in Hall for All.</p>	