

Symington Community Council: minutes of meeting held on 21st March 2023 at 7pm in the Hall for All, Symington

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

Apologies: Stuart Pike, John Mulholland, Jillian Mulholland,

In attendance: Cllr. Julie Dettbarn, Jan McGarry.

1.	Declaration of interest: There we no declarations of interest.	
2.	Minutes of previous meeting (21st February 2023)- proposed by Julie Howie and seconded by Dave Houfe.	
3.	<p>Matters Arising and outstanding items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bowling Club signage- no update available • Real time bus timetable- Still awaiting a reply from Head of Planning. • Response from Regulatory Panel – no response as yet • Community Council vacancies – 1 new nomination received and 1 remaining vacancy. • SUDS pond Sym1 – Cllr. Dettbarn has written to both the developer- Mactaggart & Mickel and to Craig Isles – Head of Planning SAC – no response to date. • Bowling Club lease – has been progressed with the appropriate dept. at SAC. • Potholes in the village – Cllr. Dettbarn reminded everyone that individuals can report potholes via the ARA website. 	<p><i>Cllr. Townson</i></p> <p><i>Cllr. Dettbarn</i></p>
4.	<p>Police Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 2023 police report – confirmed an incident of antisocial behaviour pertaining to a neighbour dispute had been resolved . 	
5.	<p>Secretary's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K. Maxted has confirmed that the lights at Squirrel Walk /Main Street /Deer Meadow now working. • Road works between Symington and Bogend will continue between 20th and 24th March. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHS public consultation regarding relocation of cancer services from Ayr to Crosshouse hosp.- details available on Community council website with a link to the consultation. • Meeting held on 26th January with SAC and South Ayrshire Police Area Commander- attended by Liz and Dave - Due to resource issues there will no longer be a police presence at Community Council meetings. In order to keep communication channels open it is proposed that the Chair of each Community Council will be invited to attend Elected Members meetings, chaired by local area commander every three months. Liz to send response to Karen Barlas and also to find out the number of community police in our area. • Cutting of grass verges on Kerrix Road with a view to them not being cut during wildflower season - Dave has discussed with Cllr. Dettbarn and will follow this up – 	<p><i>Liz Kelly</i></p> <p><i>Dave Houfe</i></p>
6.	<p>Treasurer's Report: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current balance £5,598.85p. • Liz confirmed £50 is still available for distribution to groups within village. A decision re: allocation of the remaining money will be made at our next meeting. 	
8.	<p>Planning Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still waiting on response re: question raised regarding Regulatory Panel meeting on 17th November. • Planning application for erection of house at Bogend. • Cllr Dettbarn was able to confirm that she is still to meet with developer who is interested in building in Symington. 	
9.	<p>Traffic Calming Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Julie provided a comprehensive update on the results of our recent traffic calming consultation -with the recommendations that will be forwarded to ARA. 	<p><i>Julie Howie</i></p>
10.	<p>Mental Health Project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The community garden is still to be developed to the rear of the Hall for All and this will include 	

	<p>raised beds, storage facilities and a picnic bench .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is now an underspend in the monies allocated to the Mental Health project. Suggestions for utilising the underspend:- supporting meetings connected to the Pollinator Friendly Project and reviving the Memorial garden- to include weeding and planting .VASA to be contacted to confirm that the proposals are acceptable and the Gardening Project can be extended for a further year. • There followed some discussion re: the state of the children’s playpark in Brewlands Crescent and it was agreed that this will be treated as a separate issue as it may require a significant amount of refurbishment. 	<p><i>Liz Kelly</i></p> <p><i>Liz Kelly</i></p>
12.	<p>Elected Members Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr.Dettbarn confirmed that approximately £1m was awarded to each Ward in S. Ayrshire, but it has to be clarified if this is additional monies or related to Place Planning. • Cllr.Dettbarn also agreed to investigate who is responsible for maintenance of the playpark in the Stewart Milne development. 	<p><i>Cllr. Dettbarn</i></p>
11.	<p>AOCB.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signage on Kerrix Road – Julie will contact ARA re: replacing signs. • Dilapidated Bench on Kerrix Road- Cllr Dettbarn agreed to investigate if this could be replaced. • 2 redundant notice boards – 1 near Health Centre and 1 at the Bus stop on Symington Road North – agreed we would ask for these to be removed. • Finger posts at Main Street/Symington Road North require repainting. Unsure who is responsible – Jamie Tait , Thriving Communities? • Questionnaire from SEPA to be completed online by Community Councillors. 	<p><i>Julie</i></p> <p><i>Cllr..Dettbarn</i></p> <p><i>Julie</i></p> <p><i>All</i></p>
12.	<p>Date of Next Meeting: 18th April 2023 6.30pm Community Councillors pre-meeting, 7pm Public Meeting.</p>	