

LENZIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL 2013 IN LENZIE PUBLIC HALL

ACTION

1.0 ATTENDANCE

1.1 Rosemary Craig, Ron Hall, Pat Munro, Tom Gray, Suzanne Smith (Chair), Donald MacLeod, Councillor Jarvis

2.0 APOLOGIES

Sandra Thornton, John McFadden, Liz Ibbotson, Christine Morrison

3.0 NEW MEMBER

Tony Miles was introduced as a new member, having met previously with the executive committee. He has had extensive experience as a Community Councillor in Cowal, also serving as Chair and has been living in Lenzie for two years. The Council is permitted to co-opt up to two members and it was agreed that Mr Miles would be a welcome addition. This appointment will be confirmed formally at the May meeting.

4.0 POLICE REPORT

PCs Bruce Kirkman and Steven Ramsay were in attendance at this meeting and gave a report on crime issues. Damage to the garden area at Lenzie Primary Nursery School had been reported to the Police and appeared to have been used by youths for drinking; this area will be monitored in future. Otherwise, crime incidents were minimal in the preceding period. The need for Police participation in the Gala parade was noted and an appropriate request had been made through the usual parade request.

5.0 MINUTES OF 20TH MARCH 2013 MEETING

These minutes were accepted as correct.

6.0 MATTERS ARISING

6.1 **Lenzie Traffic Improvement Scheme** – The anomalies concerning traffic data, mentioned in the previous minutes had been raised with EDC but no clarification has been received as yet.

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6.2 **Active Travel Forum** – The Secretary had attended this event in Bishopbriggs which had several aspects of interest concerning travel on foot, by bike and by public transport. Of most interest to Lenzie was the information that EDC had applied to a Sustrans/Scottish Government Scheme to improve various local routes. In particular there is a scheme to improve Garngaber Avenue by creating cycle lanes, in view of the increased population at Woodilee. There are also schemes proposed at three points in Kirkintilloch along the Strathkelvin Walkway to improve safety for walkers and cyclists. It is not known yet if these schemes will be funded.

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7.0 POST OFFICE PROPOSAL

Most of the meeting was taken up by discussion on the proposal by the Post Office to close the branch at Queen's Buildings and create a new Post Office

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Counter at the Scotmid store (Morning Noon and Night) at Gallowhill Road. Some members had held an informal meeting the previous week to discuss the Community Council response to the proposal. A consultation period on this proposal had been set and it was agreed that the Community Council would respond to this and encourage wide response from Lenzie residents. It was agreed a move to Gallowhill Road would represent a significant loss of service to Lenzie and every effort should be made to retain a service near to the centre of Lenzie. Several locations were identified. Various actions were agreed, including a letter and email from LCC to the Post Office, setting out the case for retention near the community centre, flyers to alert residents and show options for responding to the consultations and issue of a hardcopy version of the online questionnaire for residents who do not have internet access.

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- 8.0 TREASURER'S REPORT** - The Treasurer presented year-end accounts for march 31st and explained various movements relative to 2011-2012. Essentially the income and expenditure are in line with expectations. These accounts were approved by the meeting and will now be passed to the auditor. (Post meeting note – these accounts have now been scrutinised and signed by the auditor and a copy is attached to these minutes.)

9.0 GALA

Gala Convener had submitted a written report on progress, supplemented by others. Preparations were on track. The intention is to focus on community talent this year. Fourteen stallholders are confirmed to date with another six certain and a likely eventual target of around 30. Fairtrade is integrated more firmly in the arrangements this year. There was some discussion on the arrangements for a raffle to raise some extra funds and provide a conclusion to the afternoon. All other arrangements were in hand.

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10.0 PLANNING – APPLICATIONS LIST

A list of active applications had been provided by the Planning Convener but none of these were considered to be controversial. The meeting noted the article that had been printed in the latest edition of the Kirkintilloch Herald advising that the Cooperative have an interest in occupying the new retail unit that was being constructed on the site adjacent to Lenzie Public Hall. Attention had been drawn to a proposal for housing at McGavigan's fields and the Convener intended to attend the pre-application presentation. (Post-meeting note – Convener has circulated a report on this.)

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11.0 CORRESPONDENCE

No items were noted.

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12.0 AOCB

- 12.1** The pending award of Fairtrade Town status to Lenzie was noted with pleasure, this being the first community in East Dunbartonshire to achieve this standard. A substantial amount of work was involved in developing the case for award and

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collating the information on the provision of Fairtrade goods. There had also been a marked positive response from the community. There would now be a series of announcements to publicise the award and local businesses supporting Fairtrade would be given the opportunity to display posters noting the award.

13.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING 15TH MAY

Lenzie Community Council

Income and Expenditure Account

For the Year Ended 31st. March 2013

| 2011 / 2012 | Income | 2012 / 2013 |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| £4,893.73 | Opening Balance (acc 191075) | £2,972.26 |
| £840.67 | Opening Balance (acc 189577) | £67.11 |
| £2,570.00 | Grant (E.D.C.) | £2,570.00 |
| £120.38 | Scot Rail | £92.34 |
| £0.00 | Grants | £1,500.00 |
| £1,476.86 | Gala | £1,263.08 |
| £246.50 | Lenzie Jog | £261.10 |
| £1.13 | Interest (acc 189577) | £0.10 |
| £86.40 | Johnston Publishing Refund | £0.00 |
| £33.80 | Vat Refund | £0.00 |
| £10,269.47 | Total | £8,725.99 |

| 2011 / 2012 | Expenditure | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| £212.00 | Insurance | £212.00 |
| £685.60 | Advertising | £150.00 |
| £573.97 | Donations | £662.00 |
| £322.32 | Bunting | £321.80 |
| £4,394.05 | Gala | £3,371.71 |
| £61.85 | Hall Rental | £83.97 |
| £361.59 | Lenzie Jog | £93.75 |
| £498.34 | Xmas Events | £405.52 |
| £120.38 | Scot Rail | £92.34 |
| £0.00 | Monument | £300.00 |
| £2,972.26 | Closing Balance (acc 191075) | £2,493.69 |
| £67.11 | Closing Balance (acc 189577) | £539.21 |
| £10,269.47 | Total | £8,725.99 |

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I have examined the Income and Expenditure Accounts of the Lenzie Community Council for the year ended 31st. March 2013, and have found them to be in accordance with the books and records maintained.

Signed

Date