

Denny & District Community Council
Monthly Meeting

Meeting Minutes-Monday 4th March 2019

Meeting held in the Baptist Church, 7.00pm – 9.00pm Minutes by L. Hay

PRESENT	REPRESENTING	APOLOGIES	REPRESENTING
Colin Belbin	DDCC Convener		
Bill Gray	DDCC, Vice Convener		
Louise Hay	DDCC, Secretary		
Jim Muir	DDCC		
Carrie Drummond	DDCC		
Craig Rennie	DDCC		
Sharon Tait	DDCC		
Christine Bell	DDCC		
James Marshall	DDCC		
Cllr Garner	Falkirk Council		
Cllr Blackwood	Falkirk Council	ABSENT	REPRESENTING
Cllr Harris	Falkirk Council		
Cllr Collie	Falkirk Council		
PC Devlin	Police Scotland		
D. Frize	CST		
P. Crawford	CST		

Members of the Public Present: Lewis Cruse, Pete Aitken, Frank Campbell, Adele Deeley, Kate Davison Brown, Dave Brown, W. Black, C.Croy, Liz Anderson, E. McWatt. R.McElroy, James Lynne Wilson, J.Carrick, Norman Graham.

Minutes

1.0	Welcome Convener C. Belbin welcomed all to the meeting, introduced CC Members present and advised that meeting is recorded for minute purposes and will be deleted once minutes have been approved.	
2.0	Police Scotland Report	
2.1	Police Scotland in attendance, PC Devlin - spoke to member of the public and local business owners about an incident that took place in Denny Town Centre the previous Friday, heard their concerns and also talked about how and when to report incidents that are ongoing or happening on a regular basis within the community.	
2.3	Monthly report, this can be found in DDCC folder in Denny library	
3.0	Community Safety Team	
3.1	Community Safety Team officers were in attendance and discussed the area they cover - from Banknock to Skinflats area of Falkirk, large area.	
3.2	Main areas of focus in the last month are fly tipping on Dunavon Road and reports of off road bikes being used in the old Denny High School land. Dog fouling in the Barnego Road area.	
3.3	CST asked that reports are needed from public so they can	

	follow up based on information given. Unfortunately cuts to all services mean limited resource, CST staff have not been cut but will be deployed appropriately. They Are also looking at social media platforms to make easier reporting for the public.	
13.4	Monthly report, this can be found in DDCC folder in Denny library	
4.0	Acceptance of previous minutes	
4.1	March 2019 Prop: Louise Hay, sec: Bill Gray	
5.0	Matters Arising	
5.1	no matters arising from previous meeting	
6.0	Neighbourhood Watch / SFRS	
6.1	Bill Gray updated for Neighbourhood watch and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service news as officer could not attend from local fire station.	
6.2	SFRS have a national recruitment drive at the moment alongside a new reporting system in our area. Local fire service are willing to participate and give advice in defib training to members of the public who are interested. DDCC are looking into other locations for defibs to be place such as the library, chapel, shops etc.	
6.3	Bill updated Stirling Police are adding reports to Neighbourhood watch alert system and Falkirk police have started using this more to alert public to incidents when they feel necessary.	
7.0	Convenor's Business	
7.1	No Convener business this month	
8.0	Treasurer's Business	
8.1	Sharon Tait gave update to funds. Total is standing at £16496.39. Mostly Event Committee money for events such as Gala Day. Full breakdown can be given. We recently invested in our own printer to make paperwork an easier issue for meetings and in between times. Gala retinue were chosen at the meeting by members and members of the public in attendance.	
9.0	Secretary's Business	
9.1	Nothing for the month	
10.0	Community Councillors Business	
10.1	Jim Muir updated on notice board project - new fabricator located and awaiting costing and information. update to follow	
10.2	Christine Bell gave some information about the local heritage rooms hosting an John de Graham event (unfortunately this evening so she could not attend) Also is looking into the Carrondale Bridge for information if this has to be replaced, update at next meeting. Christine also had some information about Bonnybridge nature reserve and the good work on awareness for dog walkers in the area, this has been received well and it was suggested this could be something to look into for Dunipace / Gala park area.	
10.3	James Marshall spoke with local councillors about bins being left	

10.4	<p>on pathways in and around Overton Crescent area causing hazard for pedestrians, Cllr Garner reassured this was looked into by council staff and he would re report this to them as they have not been removed from footpath area.</p> <p>Louise Hay noted a recent email from CCLO Brian Pirie about the upcoming Royal Garden Party at Hollyrood. There are a small amount of invitations, and if anyone knows of someone that they would like to nominate for an invitation to get in touch with the community council.</p>	
11.0 11.1	<p>A.O.B</p> <p>Norman Graham gave some information about Christians against Poverty, a debt counselling charity. Denny is setting up an advisory centre, hopefully will be up and running in April. This will be locally based and running courses plus giving advice.</p>	
12.0 12.1 12.2 12.3	<p>Ward Area Councillors Business</p> <p>Cllr Garner update he has looked into local litter strategy, hopefully involving community groups and schools in the area. This is something that has been working well in other areas of the Falkirk ward inc Hallglen. Funding is available for groups for equipment etc. He would suggest a single point of contact to take on this role to liaise and organise. Volunteers would be welcome.</p> <p>Bollards in the town centre have been installed outside Greggs and bollards will be installed soon to south side near Llyods Chemist - to deter unsafe parking on the pavement areas.</p> <p>Cllr Garner asked about any further discussion and / or thoughts to a New Years event held in the Town. It was agreed that this would be added as a separate item to the agenda from next month (April) for discussion and to look to move forward with the event if possible.</p>	
14.0 14.1	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Monday 1st April 2019, Baptist Church @ 7.00pm.</p> <p>Thanks to Rev Norman Graham for ongoing hospitality.</p>	