

Draft minutes of Parish of Stow Community Council held in Stow Town Hall on Monday 3rd February 2020 at 7.30pm

Those present : C. Hendry, A. McNeilly, S. Jeffrey, J. MacKenzie, J. Mushlin, N. Hodgson, T. Millar
Cllr Aitchison.

Apologies : A. Riddell, R. Murphy, Cllr Anderson, Cllr Scott

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Proposed: C. Hendry. Seconded: S. Jeffrey

The work on the Old Station House will start with hard-core being put down on the sheep pens. 9 parking spaces will be cut off in the Station Car Park for a month. There will be no deliveries when the school is going in or coming out.. There will be parking cones on Station Rd. A public meeting will be held at the end of February. The work on the Station House is expected to take 29 weeks and be finished in August. It will include a village pub and kitchen. There will be some overnight working but local residents will be informed when this is taking place. Toilets will be open to the public when the kitchen is open. No one has yet been appointed to run the pub and kitchen. People in the the community will get preferential rates and booking for the Community Room.

Walks – The first leaflet is being prepared. The first map is being done professionally. This will provide a template for the rest. The owner of Middletoun is very keen on walks and will walk along the routes we wish. She is putting in fences and remaking paths at Middletoun, Mitchelston and Burnhouse Mains.

There is concern about the wall at Burnhouse. Water is running down the top at the back of the wall. It would be advisable to have the wall looked at professionally as the A7 would be closed if it came down.

Twenty people on Craighend Road have signed up for defibrillator training. It is also needed in Fountainhall. The Secretary will organise this in conjunction with S. Jeffrey.

The bill for rental for the Pensioners' Christmas Party was reduced to half price by Live Borders. There is to be a meeting with them. No one is dealing with the drains. There is a dip in the draincovers outside the toilet and an investigation with a camera is needed there. The heaters in the bathrooms have not been replaced. There are now 90 sets of cutlery in the pensioners' cupboard. There is shortly to be a pensioners' meeting. A list will be made up of everything that is required.

The members of the Community Council are not satisfied with proposals for white lining up to Torsonce and then from Fountainhall to Crookston. The Secretary is to email Martin Joyce to ask about his availability for a meeting to discuss the A7 and Stow Town Hall.

An invoice has been made out for the website. Chris McVie is coming to the next community council meeting to update members regarding the website.

An invoice has now been received for the Churchyard project, which has been paid. £1000 has been gifted by the Parish Trust.

The school requested a microgrant of £300 for recycling bins. They have been unsuccessful in getting suitable recycling bins through SBC and their recycling project is very successful, leading to the need for more bins. The grant was approved. Cllr Aitchison will look into why there has been such difficulty.

Galawater Horticultural Society applied for a microgrant for a laptop. Members of the Community Council wondered whether there was a possibility of getting a computer from the equipment bought by The Stow Community Hub. Cllr Aitchison will look into this.

Members wondered how many people have been fined as a result of the speed cameras in Stow. N.Hodgson will ask the Safety Camera Partnership for figures.

Councillors Report

Cllr Aitchison stated that the Ferniehurst Road has now been repaired.

There has been a meeting between Leonie Cairns and the Flood Prevention Officer and Craig Blackie and Cllr Aitchison regarding the Pump Track. The Secretary is to email Leonie Cairns to enquire regarding progress.

The fence has been damaged around the small park. Cllr Aitchison will look into this.

There seems to be little progress with the redundant trees around Stow Park. What is happening to them?

Planning

Raeshaw Estate – Erection of dwellinghouse and detached garage/kennels

Land North East of Nethershiels House Stow Scottish Borders

Mrs Ruth Flavin – external alterations to dwelling house

Dunedin 39 Townfoot Stow Scottish Borders

The next meeting of Parish of Stow Community Council is on Monday 2nd March at 7.30pm in Stow Town Hall

All Welcome

AGENDA

- 1 APOLOGIES
- 2 MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING
- 3 POLICE REPORT
- 4 GENERAL MATTERS
- 5 TREASURERS REPORT
- 6 COUNCILLORS REPORTS
- 7 PLANNING
- 8 CORRESPONDENCE
- 9 AOCB

