

WATERSIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2022

PRESENT: J. Whyte (Secretary); C. Lilly (Communications Coordinator); K. Chesney-Bathie;  
M. Todd. (Co-opted Member)

Cllr. S. Murray

In Attendance: C. Notman; F. Gilmour.

Apologies: PC C. Addyman; E. Carlin; J. Marks; A. Thomson; I. Bowman;  
C. Dalziel (Barton Wilmore)

1. Meeting commenced at 7.45pm. C. Lilly chaired the meeting in the absence of the chair.
2. **Police report:** Drivers have been advised not to leave ignition running in cold weather to clear windscreens etc. as this could lead to car theft. Kids on scooters, bikes etc. have been reported once again – an accident waiting to happen. No further police incidents reported.
3. **Guest from Barton Wilmore** sent apologies as ill. Design team looking at options in light of the substructure and the facilities provision in this area of the site.
4. **Minutes of previous meeting** were read and approved.
5. **Village walkabout:** Cllr. Murray had suggested having this at 2.00pm on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October, meeting at the bridge area. Housing and roads officers will be attending.
6. **Growing space:** Wimpey owns the horse's field, including the hardstanding currently being used for parking, which could be good for raised beds. C. Notman will ask Wimpey on behalf of WCC about the possibility of renting the area once it is no longer needed for parking.
7. **Halloween event** will be from 5.00 to 6.00pm on 30<sup>th</sup> October at the Shed. Dressing up and carved-pumpkin competitions. Luggiewatch and WCC each donating five prizes.
8. **WCC nomination documents** were filled in for sending to Lesley McKenzie, EDC, by tomorrow. Current five-year term is now over, with the next one starting next meeting.
9. **Correspondence:** Ms Hunter from Merkland School had written asking about WCC litter picks. C. Lilly had directed her to Luggiewatch, and Ms Hunter and two other teachers had joined in the most recent Luggiewatch pick along with a family with connections to the school. The school would be interested in information about local history. C. Lilly had passed on copies of two of the books compiled by Edward Z. Smith.
10. **Biodiversity zone:** Some concerns had been expressed by local residents about drowning risk posed by pond/biodiversity zone. According to the project manager, 'it will be green as it is to be seeded. However...this area was always, is just now and will be a defined flood plain area that will have the capacity to have some degree of water at varying levels over the winter months...The depth of the water appears deeper than it actually is. Right now it's only around 400-500mm deep.'
11. **Visibility issues:** Parked vehicles at entrance to the convent are causing problems for drivers trying to exit the area; an ambulance was unable to gain access because of obstruction. Traffic cones get moved if placed there. Police to be informed.
12. **Dog fouling on the school path:** Caroline Notman had requested that children at Gartconner design posters (for installation on lampposts) asking people to clean up their dog's mess.
13. **Bankhead Road:** problems were noted due to utilities barriers narrowing the blind corner; no traffic management in place.
14. **Flytipping:** Rubbish being thrown been into the Luggie at Duntiblae to be reported to Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA).
15. As there was no further business, the meeting closed at 8.20pm. Cordy thanked everyone for coming and said the date for the next meeting was 8<sup>th</sup> November.