

WATERSIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

Minutes of Meeting Held on Tues.18<sup>th</sup> October 2016

Present: (Chairman.) B.Lapping

(Vice Chairman) D.Scott

(Secretary.) J.Whyte

(Treasurer) J.Herriot

Cllr. J.Jamieson

Also in Attendance: E.Carlin, K. Chesney, C. Lilly and three other members of the community

- 1 Meeting commenced at 7.30pm. The meeting was held in the Waterside Miners' Welfare Hall owing to the temporary closure of the Subscription School.
- 2 A presentation was made by the Chairman to Karen and Neil on behalf of us all for her forthcoming wedding on 21<sup>st</sup> October.
- 3 The new constitution should be in the hands of the Chairman this coming week. A lot of work has gone into this and we cordially thank Cordy for carrying this out.
- 4 The tree obstructing the bus stop on Bankhead Road has still not been cut back; Cllr.Jamieson is passing on this complaint to the appropriate department.
- 5 The fence at Craig Crescent to be taken down at the end of the grass-cutting season.
- 6 Dog snatching: rumours have arisen that this is still a threat in the area and dog owners have been advised to be vigilant.

- 7 River clean-up was again a great success and showed marked improvement. Karen is intending to organise more litter picks probably later in the month.
  
- 8 The idea of sowing wild flower seeds and creating a wild meadow was suggested once more. Cllr.Jamieson is intending to ask the Council if they would perhaps assist us with this project, as it would cut down expenses for them and benefit everyone. Dave gave us a very informative talk on how this could be achieved. Areas suggested were at the roundabout at Cairnview, Moss Road roundabout and on the banks of the Luggie etc. This would add colour and make the village pleasanter for everyone. It would also require no maintenance, obviously cutting down on costs.
  
- 9 Parking on Bankhead Road is becoming more dangerous than ever. Cllr.Jamieson informed us that speed cushions are soon to be introduced on this section of road in an attempt to slow traffic down.
  
- 10 School closures were discussed and the main theme was child safety going to and from the new schools; as it is in the two-mile radius, buses are not thought to be necessary, something with which we all disagreed.
  
- 11 A request for a Christmas tree at the grass area at Moss Road was passed to Cllr.Jamieson. This was a practice years ago and it would be nice to see it being re-established
  
- 12 More complaints as to the state of Alexander Place, where the weeds and overgrown hedges have still not been dealt with. It would appear the Council seem to forget this area when the road sweeper comes round; Cllr. Jamieson has again taken this on board for attention. The issue of spillages on the road after bin collections was also brought up for his attention.
  
- 13 The Action Plan following the Village Walkabout that took place last April was requested, as it would appear that very few of the items on the list have been dealt with.

- 14 Fence at Moss Road at bridge has still not been dealt with, this is a potential danger for children on the School route, Cllr.Jamieson took a note of this.
- 15 Guy Fawkes Bonfire night was discussed; Karen is organising this and has many volunteers to help. Karen has also volunteered to speak at next year's Tenants' Open Day.
- 16 As there was no correspondence and no further corporate business, the date for next meeting was set as Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov. (at the Miners' Club). Meeting closed at 8.50pm. The chairman thanked those in attendance and apologised for any inconvenience caused by the change of premises. It may result in the meetings being held on a Tuesday for the period.