

Giffordtown & District

COMMUNITY COUNCIL



Minutes of Meeting – Mon 3rd July 2023 7:30pm in Village Hall – DRAFT

1. **Chair's Welcome.** Neil Brooks (Chair/Secretary), Andrew Christie (Treasurer), Monique Sanders (Vice Chair), David Ellison, Jan Wightman, Stewart Easson, Cllr Holt. One member of the public (thank you David Maillie for your continued support)
2. **Apologies.** John Kennet, Angie Emler, Cllr Lothian
3. **Approval of minutes for meeting 1st May 2023. Approved**
4. **Reports:**
 - 4.1 Finances. Current bank balance £4875.97. In this period we have received total income of £1367.41 (£900 donation received from Rock Solid and £424.84 Fife Council grant). Expenditure was £1898.31 (£1649 was e-bikes). It was noted that that we are currently underspending by £1660 according to the plans put in place at the start of the financial year. Mostly this was due to £600 delayed decision on Autospeedwatch system, revised decision on Cairn and less money planters. The committee continue to welcome ideas for how we can invest back into the community
 - 4.1.1 Electronic banking partially in place. Can now view statements etc online, but electronic funds transfer is still not possible
 - 4.1.2 Proposal for PWG to spend £300 on paths signage. Approved. Note: we anticipate that this money will be refunded by Lairds upon production of receipts.
 - 4.1.3 Request funds for e-bike mirrors £10. Approved by increased to £20
 - 4.1.4 Request funds for e-bike protective covers £20. Approved.
 - 4.2 Paths Working Group. Signposts and stiles to be purchased. Way marker circles are to state Giffordtown & District with a direction arrow. Quarry diversion path now open from Coffin Road to Burnside. Extension path round to Kilwhiss/BackHouse road has been cut back and is now accessible. Ongoing maintenance being carried out on Coffin Road all the way to Kinloch entrance **A. Christie.**
 - 4.3 Speed reduction/speed awareness. Awaiting confirmation of meeting with Senior Police officers to discuss the continuing speeding issues. Will deploy Speedwatch teams where possible. **D. Ellison.**
 - 4.4 Road matters. Blocked gullies next to Woodside House and flooding under bridge leading to recycling centre being investigated by Fife Council teams. **Secretary.**
 - 4.5 Community Resilience Planning. Results of communications tests presented. There is a correction to the data presented. Updated results will be circulated via WhatsApp and next steps agreed after discussion **D. Ellison.**
5. **Business arising from previous minutes:**
 - 5.1 Trafalgar junction visibility & Development.. No progress to report. **CLOSED**
 - 5.2 Flower tubs update for B937. All completed now. Looking great. Well done to all involved for their hard work and commitment. **CLOSED.**
 - 5.3 Community e-bikes delivered and being used. & loans so far. **CLOSED**
 - 5.4 Edentown noticeboard. Will bring back to table once tree cutting is complete **CLOSED.**
 - 5.5 Succession planning - elections. Awaiting information pack from Fife Council. Due August.
 - 5.6 Commemorative tree. No progress to report **A.Christie**
6. **New Business:**
7. **Correspondence:**
 - 7.1 Donations received from community for Fire equipment issued. Letter of thanks to be issued. **Secretary**
8. **AOCB**
 - 8.1 IBA update report presents. High levels of stockpiles noted. Rock Solid state processing to be done soon and potential market for processed material close to being agreed.
 - 8.2 A card and book token were presented to Monique for her many years of service to the community council in various roles.
 - 8.3 Concern was noted about the reason why so many vehicles were parked in the layby just north of Edentown. Anecdotal evidence was presented which justify contacting our Community Police Liaison Officers.