

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 5th February 2013 in Ayton Community Hall

PRESENT	Michael Cook (SBC)	MC	Rob Boyd	RB
	John Slater	JS	Kenny Combe	KC
	Graham Dolan	GD	Dick Noble	DN
	Helen Postle	HP	Paul Priestman	PP
	Norman Robertson	NR	Rob Weatherston	RW
	Paul Wilson	PW	Ian Logan	IL
	Raymond Allan	RA	Margaret Carey	MCa

1 Resident attended the meeting, which was chaired by RW.

ITEMS

Action

1 Police Report

No police report was received.

2 Eyemouth High School – Community Litter Project

No representative attended to give a presentation.

3 Open Forum

No business

4 Apologies for Absence

Joan Campbell (SBC) **JC**

5 Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting on 4th December were approved. Proposed by PP seconded by HP.

6 Matters Arising from Minutes

- **Queen’s Diamond Jubilee** RB is still organising a commemorative plaque. **RB**
- **Wind Farm Referendum** The referendum duly took place and was deemed to be very successful. Those involved were thanked for the work they did.
- **Blackmains Wind Farm** A liaison group meeting is planned for March.
- **Horn Burn Wind Farm** JS had circulated a paper before the meeting. This was a joint response to the planning application from Ayton, Reston & Auchencrow and Chirnside Community Councils. It was agreed that the paper be submitted to SBC as written. Proposed by RB, seconded by PP. JS and RB were thanked for the work involved preparing this.
- **Peelwalls Corner** The repair to the damaged bridge parapet is still scheduled to take place in the current financial year.
- **Cemetery Water Supply** A quotation of £646 + VAT has been received to carry out the work required. It is still not known what proportion of this that SBC is prepared to pay. **RB**
- **Shearlaw’s Road** SBC is still dealing with the request for a street sign. **JC**
- **Perryman’s Bus Service to Edinburgh** There had been no further response regarding a request for the 1510 bus from Edinburgh to call in via Ayton. GD and MC to check progress. **GD**
MC
- **Potential Small Wind Farm in CC Area** GD has still to set up a meeting with the developer’s agent. **GD**
- **Berwickshire Area Forum** JS had attended the previous meeting and circulated a report. He was unavailable to attend the next one on 26th February. RB agreed to attend if free. **RB**
- **Bowling Green Direction Sign** MC agreed to check on progress with SBC. **MC**
- **A1 Junctions** No action has been taken regarding the request to have both junctions

relined. MC agreed to pursue this.

MC

- **Street Lights** It was still the case that a group of lights in the High Street are permanently off. JC was dealing with this.

JC

7 Councillor's Report

Councillor Cook spoke about the SBC budget which was due to be announced.

There is a proposal to remove the SBC Warden Service from 2014/15.

A complaint had been received regarding traffic speed in the Old Town. A traffic survey was held between 24/1 and 1/2. The results of this are still being analysed.

8 Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Account: £842.29

Project Account: £616.55

9 Relevant Correspondence and eMails

Berwickshire Civic Society – Offer of help with planning issues

Jim Clark Rally 2013 – Route details

SBC – One Billion Rising event

SB Elder Voice

Scottish Water – Shaping the Future

SBC – Invitation to SBC's Council Administrator's Plans

ESSacSE – Newsletter

Redesigning the Scottish Justice System – Workshops

Community Empowerment and Renewal Bill Information

Community Resources Network Scotland – Invitation to join

SBC – The Planners forthcoming TV programme

Scottish Police Authority (SPA) – Draft Strategic Plan

NHS Borders – Changes to BGH Outpatient Dept

Welfare Reform Scotland – Conference

Scottish Civic Trust – My Place Awards

The Gathering – Glasgow 27/28 Feb

Changes to Town and Country Planning Legislation

Reivers 4x4 Community Response

BCCF – Proposal to remove SB Wardens

SBC – Winter Advice

LBP – Newsletter

SUP Newsletter

Shaping Scotland's Court Service

10 AOCB

Bowling Green Drains The bowling club had been experiencing drainage problems for some time. Scottish Water had been contacted on several occasions but the problem was not resolved. There was concern that new houses in Shearlaw's Road would exacerbate the situation as they have been added to the same drainage system. MC agreed to contact the Customer Services Manager for the Scottish Water Tweed Area.

MC

Closure of Village Shop MCa is to attend a meeting being organised by BAVS about setting up community ventures.

MCa

Black Bull Pub The CC had responded to a planning application (over the Christmas and New year holiday) for change of use from a pub to a dwelling house. Following a well attended public meeting it was agreed that the CC oppose the application. JS and RB had co-ordinated the response and were thanked for their work doing that.

Christmas Lights A resident has asked if it might be possible for Ayton to have more Christmas lights, particularly in the High Street. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

Welltower Park There was a question as to whether Welltower Park had been adopted by SBC. MC was able to confirm it was. There had been a case of part of the street not being covered by the snowplough. MC agreed to deal with this.

MC

Potholes in Lawfield Drive MC agreed to inform the Roads Dept regarding potholes in Lawfield Drive which were causing concern.

MC

Saltire on Clock Tower A new saltire was due to be erected when the weather was less severe.

DN

Meeting Time It was agreed that future CC meetings should start at **7.00pm** rather than 7.30pm.

War Memorial It was noted that the war memorial was in need of some cleaning and smartening up and that grants were available for this. Enquiries would be made and the subject discussed at the next meeting.

11 Next Meeting

Tuesday 5th March 2013 at **7.00pm** in Ayton Community Hall