

GAVINTON, FOGO & POLWARTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held in Gavinton Village Hall on Monday, 3 July, 2000 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Mrs B Darling (Chairman), Mrs C Allman, Mr S Brodie, Mr I Gill, Mr N Humphry,
Mr A Macmillan, Mrs F Renton, Mrs U Robinson, Mr F Seed.
Councillor W L Forrest
Mrs J Wheadon (Committee Secretary).
1 member of the public.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology was received from Mr B Weir.

2 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD ON 15 MAY 2000

The Chairman signed the Minutes, which had previously been circulated, as a correct copy.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3,3,9 Millennium project: Plaque to Gavin family – Mrs Darling showed 2 designs incorporating the year 2000 and it was decided to order a plaque with the date inside the main circle. Two people had offered donations towards the cost and Mr Paterson said he would fit it to the Village Hall wall, for which he was thanked. A fund raising event to be held when the plaque is fixed.

3,8(q) Borders Floral Gateway – the rules for this had been circulated with the Minutes. Mrs Darling had queried item 5, Commercial Premises, as our village does not have any. Thanks to Mrs Aitchison, Mrs Clark, Mr Gibb, Mrs Majoribanks, Mr Markby, and Ms Reid for planting up the public areas in Gavinton and to Mrs Allman for doing Fogo. A second lot of plants had had to be purchased for the Village Hall due to weather damage.

8(b) Greenrig – the easement for access to the garage is a legal matter and Mrs A Isles, SBC, is dealing with it.

8(c) Noticeboards – still to be looked into.

8(d) Gavinton play area – Mr Weir was to have given a report but was not present.

4 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Polwarth Village – 59 houses were proposed and plans had been displayed in Gavinton Village Hall. The Community Council had replied that they were not in favour. A new brochure had been received and the application has yet to be considered. Mr Seed emphasised that it went against the Local Plan. Councillor Forrest said he would keep us informed of any developments.

(b) Plot 2, Polwarth Rhodes – outline planning permission sought, no objections.

(c) Gazebo, 27 The Glebe – notification received.

(d) Garage Site, South Street Gavinton – outline planning permission approved subject to conditions regarding water supply and drainage, and garage or parking spaces.

5 CHECK UP 2000

Document circulated with Minutes. Mrs Darling attended the launch on 2 June. There is to be a meeting in Duns, date yet to be fixed; as The Knoll hospital is a concern.

6 SCOTTISH BORDERS HOUSEHOLD SURVEY RESULTS

Mrs Darling to attend the meeting on 6 July in Kelso.

7 SCOTTISH BORDERS COMMUNITY PLAN

Mr Seed went to the meeting which had been badly attended. He said no hard facts emerged.

8 BERWICKSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY PANEL

The first Newsletter of the Berwickshire Community Safety Panel had been circulated. Mr Curry, Chairman, Neighbourhood Watch, asked if funding was available from the Community Council to purchase further copies for distribution to Neighbourhood Watch members. This was agreed.

9 COMMUNITY TRUST FUNDS

Notification of 5 trust funds relating to Gavinton, Polwarth and Fogo had been received from SBC and circulated. Mr Gill said he did not know of the existence of the one for the upkeep of Gavinton village hall and he would let the Village Hall Committee know. Mr Winchester, SBC, to be asked to attend a Community Council meeting to give more information so that we can prepare a suitable projects(s) for the use of the monies.

10 TWEED RIVERS HERITAGE PROJECT – PHASE II APPLICATION

There were no projects we wished to pursue.

11 BERWICKSHIRE COMMUNITY COUNCILS FORUM UPDATE

Mrs Darling is the new Chairman. She said it had recently lost momentum. The Treasurer agreed to pay the £5 subscription now due. Nomination of second delegate to be included in next agenda.

12 TREASURER'S REPORT

The grant for £360 had been received which gave a balance of £620. The £10 subscription to the Association of Scottish Community Councils paid.

(Councillor Forrest left the meeting at 7.55pm)

13 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

- (a) Wonderland News, 3rd Edition.
- (b) National Carers Week 12 – 16 June, AGM 7 June.
- (c) SEPA View, Spring 2000.

- (d) SMP Playgrounds Ltd.
- (e) Calor Gas Scottish Community of the Year entry form.
- (f) Southern Uplands Partnership Newsletter, Spring 2000.
- (g) Licensing Board, Quarterly applications for East Division.
- (h) com.com/holyrood – Linking Scotland's Communities to Scotland's Parliament
- (i) Association of Scottish Community Councils AGM, 10 June
- (j) BAVS AGM, 19 July.
- (k) Community Learning Strategy, meeting 22 June.
- (l) SBC Community Planning in the Scottish Borders, seminar 8 September, Galashiels.
- (m) SBC questionnaire re National Lottery funding.
- (n) SBC Community Planning survey of IT projects.
- (o) Scottish Borders Enterprise, Annual Report & Accounts 1999/2000.
- (p) Borders Local Health Council, Update, June 2000.
- (q) SBC Telecommunications Masts and Planning Permission.
- (r) SBC refuse collection best value review – essential to have skips 3 times a year.
- (s) SBC proposed Borders Community Councils network, seminar 21 October.

14 ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

- (a) Death of Mrs Redpath at 111 – sorrow expressed. Mrs Darling represented the Community Council at the funeral.
- (b) Lynne Blaikie, Wynsome Maid – best wishes to be sent to her for a happy week.
- (c) School bus - which children will be allocated seats will not be known until just before the new school term. To be discussed at the next meeting.
- (d) Millennium Cross, Dirrington Little Law – Mr Seed said this was a good community effort and more meaningful than many Millennium commemorations.
- (e) Jim Clark Memorial Rally – Duns tennis club who organised the parking had benefited by £2,600. Ladyflat parking had only raised £70 due to cars parking on the side of the road

Concern expressed that over 100 cars were parked in Gavinton and it would not have been possible for an emergency vehicle to get through. As next year's rally will probably be bigger Mrs Darling to write to Mr Colin Pagan, Rally Manager, requesting him to attend a Community Council meeting when all matters of safety, parking, provision of toilets at the Ford etc can be discussed and solutions found in good time.

- (f) Grass cutting, Fogo – still not satisfactory, church yard grass not cut.

9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, 14 August 2000 at 7.00pm in Gavinton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

Chairman B.S. Darling Date 14/12/00