

GAVINTON, FOGO & POLWARTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of a meeting held at Gavinton Village Hall on 5 July 2010

1. Present were: Margaret Bishop (Chair), Ellen Curran, Peter Gibbens, Kerry Renton, Janet O’Kane (Secretary), Cllr. Trevor Jones and 2 members of the public. Apologies had been received from: Jane Jeffrey, Terry O’Gorman, John Marjoribanks, Cllrs Renton and Moffat
2. Police input – none
3. Minutes of the meeting of 17 May 2010 were approved and signed
4. Matters arising
 - Report on windfarm benefit received from Mrs Darling. The grant scheme is now up and running and advice/application forms are available online from <http://www.blackhillcommunityfund.co.uk/>
 - Gavinton Futures project – update from J Jeffrey will be received at next meeting
 - Gavinton village green parking – Cllr Renton is waiting to hear back re an exact cost
 - Commemorative bench in Gavinton – this has been installed, and SBC have done an excellent job
5. Gavinton playing fields – enquiry from Duns Amateur Football Club. Mr Marjoribanks is investigating who exactly owns the land, but it is believed that it cannot be developed, which is the Club’s concern.
6. Email from new Police Inspector for Berwickshire (already circulated) – CC members have nothing specific to comment on.
7. Planning applications – Mr Marjoribanks has circulated the July summary, and CC members agreed to go along with his recommendations.
8. Treasurer’s report (inc. remuneration for CC website webmaster) – the account stands at £510.17. The SBC grant and room rental refund have not yet been received. Mrs O’Kane is to send Clare Malster a copy of the AGM minutes which confirm the CC’s agreement to abide by SBC rules, and these monies will then be released. John Robertson has submitted a bill for his webmaster services. It was agreed to pay this, and CC members commented that he is doing a first-class job.
9. Correspondence received:
 - SBC Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance on Wind Energy – respond to consultation by 8 September. Passed to Mr Marjoribanks.
 - SBC – Campaign to establish the level of interest as regards availability and potential use of allotments. Mrs O’Kane to respond positively on behalf of the CC.
 - Berwickshire Citizens Advice Service: Young Citizen Project
 - SBC – consultation on affordable housing and development contributions (respond by 19 August). Passed to Mr Marjoribanks.
 - Tweed Forum newsletter spring 2010
 - Scottish Borders Elder Voice, June 2010
 - Scottish Borders Community Councils’ Network annual seminar (2 October) – request for training/information
 - Scottish Health Council – *connect*, Spring 2020 and ‘Improving Participation’
 - Notification of military exercise flying activity, 5-15 July
 - SBC – Submission of unresolved issues for the finalised Scottish Borders Council Local Plan Amendment. Passed to Mr Marjoribanks.
10. AOCB
 - Fogo bridge: sign still awaited
 - Path to Fogo footbridge: Community Justice will undertake the repair of this
 - Mrs O’Kane thanked CC members for the donation to her recent MoonWalk
 - Mrs Bishop proposed that as there has been no response to the letterboxing seeking a new Fogo representative, Mrs O’Kane should become a full member of the CC. This was agreed, and will be confirmed at the next meeting.
11. Dates of future meetings in 2010 (all at 7pm in Gavinton village hall unless otherwise stated):
 - 6 September
 - 18 October
 - 29 November