

## GAVINTON, FOGO & POLWARTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held in Gavinton Village Hall on Monday, the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7pm

Item	Comment				
1	Welcome and Introductions: Chairperson Keith Dickinson welcomed, Cllr John Greenwell, Cllr Mark Rowley, Cllr Donald Moffat, Amanda Stewart, Carole Wright, David Ward & Lorraine Tait.				
2	Apologies: Bryce Weir				
3	Declarations of interest: None				
4	Minutes of the GFPCC Meeting 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2018 Minutes approved with no amendments.				
5	Matters arising from the minutes and not covered elsewhere on the agenda KD wished to inform the CC that Steve Hunter passed away on the 7 <sup>th</sup> April peacefully with his family around him. Steve was always willing to help, getting involved in many CC projects to try and make a positive difference to our community. He will be sadly missed both as a community councillor and friend. Funeral arrangements have been shared with the CC members. CC agreed to make a £30 donation to the McMillan Cancer Centre at Borders General Hospital, the charity selected by Steve. DW and AS to send a card from the CC to Steve's family to express our condolences.				
	Steve Hunter had been due to meet with Darren Silcock to discuss the repositioning/purchase of salt bins and the passing places on the single-track road at Langton Lees. KD contacted to Darren to inform him of Steve's passing. KD will contact KA and Jacqui Bennet to gather information about where additional salt bins are required and will then discuss this with Darren Silcock. The works on laybys have been delayed by the bad weather, DM confirmed that funding for projects from the Small Schemes budget will be extended into the next financial year and that works should be carried out in the next couple of months.	KD			
6	<ul> <li>Treasurers Report.</li> <li>Angus McMillan has agreed to audit the CC accounts for this year, finalised accounts should be ready for the AGM on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018.</li> <li>The balance of the CC account is £1636.18</li> <li>£60 was received from SBC on the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2018 to pay for plants. CW to determine whether this was a late payment from the last financial year or for the year ahead.</li> <li>CW, AS, KD and DW signed RBS forms at the meeting to allow a change of signatory to the CC account from KA to DW.</li> </ul>	CW			
7	<ul> <li>Community Improvements and Maintenance</li> <li>Bus Shelter at Polwarth</li> <li>Cllr Rowley recommends that the CC contact Darren Silcock to request funds from the Quality of Life fund to cover costs of constructing the bus stops at Polwarth. AS to contact Darren Silcock. No works funded by the Quality of Life Fund will be carried out before June 2018 to allow projects that were delayed by the severe winter weather to be completed.</li> <li>MR has contacted the criminal justice team to enquire about bus shelters and is waiting for a response. KD to enquire as to whether the Men's Shed</li> </ul>	MR/AS			

	organisation may be able to construct bus shelters.  Update on proposals to improve parking at the football fields, Gavinton  • KD received an e-mail from Richard Dobson enquiring about ownership of the land used for football fields in Gavinton and stating that due to confusion over land ownership and costs involved in creating a new parking area Duns FC must think if this is a viable option and are considering other locations around Duns should they need to move from Gavinton. KD has contacted Nuella McInley from SBCs legal team to determine ownership of the land but thus far has had no response. KD to e-mail again for an update on progress. Duns FC previously stated that they would contact Darren Silcock to discuss parking options and report back to the CC before Easter. So far, we have received no update on this issue from Duns FC. KD to contact Richard Dobson for more information.  Update on potential funding for play-equipment, Gavinton Village Green  • The SBC budget for the new financial year has provision for play parks, Cllr John Greenwell is making enquiries into whether Gavinton would qualify for these funds. JG has taken photos of the play park to give to the funding officer. JG has also requested Claire Penney of SBC to investigate other sources of funding for play park equipment should this be necessary. If funding is approved JG to contact AS to arrange a site-visit.  Update on issue of vehicles crossing the village green to access parking  • JG to gather information on this issue and report back. JG to determine if this is a police issue or whether fencing is appropriate.  Update on re-surfacing of South Street, Gavinton  • Following queries received through the CC FB page AS contacted David Richardson of SBC to determine the status of these works. DR reported that it was the intention to begin preparatory works during March however severe weather has affected the programme, works are unlikely to begin before April. In advance of any significant works a letter drop will be undertaken to inform r	JG JG
8	<ul> <li>Update on the Gavinton defibrillator community familiarisation day</li> <li>The defibrillator familiarisation event will be held at Gavinton Village Hall on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> April 2018 from 10-12. Craig Prentice from Scottish Fire &amp; Rescue will demonstrate use of the defibrillator and CPR techniques.</li> <li>CC members were encouraged to attend and to help publicise this event. Posters are on display in Gavinton, KD and CW took posters to publicise the event in Fogo and Polwarth. KD to send e-mail information to the Cothill &amp; Polwarth group and add to the CC website. AS to publicise on Facebook.</li> </ul>	AS
9	<ul> <li>Correspondence</li> <li>Police report for March 2018 identified speeding as a local issue. JG to contact Garry Haldane of SBC to determine when a pneumatic tube system will be placed across Main Street Gavinton to collect data on speed and types of vehicles passing through Gavinton.</li> <li>Scottish Borders Physical Disability Strategy – KD suggested that information on this consultation be forwarded to Kirsten Arthur as this is within her field of interest.</li> </ul>	JG AS
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	<ul> <li>KD reminded the CC that a co-ordinator is required for the resilient communities' project. Additionally, 3 new members are required for the CC.</li> </ul>	KD/AS/AII

11	<ul> <li>All CC members are requested to seek suitable interested individuals. AS to publicise these posts on FB.</li> <li>KD gave information on the Evolis Radar Speed Sign to AS and requested this be filed.</li> <li>KD distributed posters advertising the contact number for SP Energy Networks that should be called in the event of a power cut. These posters will be displayed at the Village Hall and on notice boards in Gavinton, Fogo &amp; Polwarth.</li> <li>MR to forward an invitation to attend the Berwickshire Community Councils Forum on 26<sup>th</sup> April.</li> <li>MR to send KD a link to the consultations on the South of Scotland Enterprise Agency</li> <li>JG informed the meeting that he has been given the role of Ambassador for the Men's Shed organisation.</li> <li>KD noted that our local primary school, Duns Primary, was successful in gaining funding from the Localities Bid Fund. The next round of applications will begin on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018.</li> <li>Dates of Meetings Future meetings will be held at Gavinton Village Hall at 7pm on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018.</li> </ul>	AS  MR/KD  MR/KD  JG
12	The meeting closed at 8.15 pm	