

INVERKIP & WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Business Meeting Held on Thursday 7th October 2004 In Wemyss Bay Primary School

Present: Cliff Lyons (treasurer), Innes Nelson (chair), Ron Potter (vice chair), Hugh Ritchie, Harold McPherson & Lorraine Marshall (secretary).

Apologies: Lynne Chambers & Paul Maloney.

In Attendance: 2 members of the public, Cllr Forbes & PC Kenny Wilson.

Innes Nelson welcomed all present. At 7.30pm the meeting was opened.

Police matters: Stats: calls 78

Disorder: Disturbances 2, Assault 4.

Dishonesty: Fraud 1, Theft 5, Theft from Vehicles 5, House breaking 3.

Traffic: Vehicle Escort 2, Traffic Misc. 4, Vehicle Pursuit 1, Drunk Driver 2, Abandoned vehicles 2, RTA 3.

Miscellaneous: damage to property 9, Alarms 6, Fire 3, Flooding 1, General Complaints 15,

Assist Members of Public 7, Delivery of message 3.

REPORTED CRIMES 34 detections 15

Main areas for concern are parking in Main Street Inverkip. Over 30 drivers have received warnings in the last month. Enforcement will follow.

Driving to and from Hill farm estate. Again enforcement to follow.

Weekends quantities of alcohol have been found in the Inverkip Main Street area bound for street consumption. Resulting in seizure and destruction of the alcohol and two reports under sect 68(3) of the Licensing Act (Scotland) 1976 and will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

Assault with intent to rob took place on the foot bridge over the A78 to Inverkip Marina. 2 persons will be reported for this.

Car thefts in Wemyss Bay are random and considered to be opportunist. This area will be targeted.

Antisocial behaviour within the youth section will be targeted under the Antisocial Behaviour Order which is similar to grounding for under 16's.

A second officer was due to have been appointed but deployed elsewhere. This position should be filled in due course.

The traffic problems within Inverkip are resultant of the school drop off and collection runs. The police are looking at ways of alleviating this and an option for consideration would be a one way system through the village.

A traffic warden is to be reinstated at the foot of Finnock Bog road for school times.

Minutes: The minutes of the previous Business Meeting held on 2nd September 2004 were approved.

Matters Arising: BRIDGE OVER A78: There are no lights on this bridge but an area at the village side is very dark. PC Wilson is to request that this be lit. Cllr Forbes will also contact Manor Kingdom in this regard.

BUSSES: C Lyons and Cllr Forbes continue to look into this matter. SPT advise that the only official bus stop on the A78 is at IBM and Ardgowan Road Wemyss Bay. On an A regulated road busses should only be stopping at Pull-ins.

They are to continue to gather as much info as possible and then seek public opinion before taking further steps in this regard.

RIGHT OF WAY HILL COTTAGE: on the Land Register this is Joseph Lafferty's Land. E Firth has yet to make the purchase of the new section of land from Stewart Milne Group. Clyde

Muirshiel have the funding available to implement and maintain the new right of way. The Inverclyde Council Solicitors are taking a considerable time to enforce this and it has been agreed that in **2 full months** we will ask the council to take immediate action to assert the right of way through the courts.

PLI: Letters are to be sent out to all objectors with the results of this and a full copy of the report will be available in Inverkip Library and on the Inverclyde Council Website.

COMMUNITY COUNCILS FORUM: each community council is to nominate a delegate to sit on the board of the Association. They meet twice yearly anywhere in Scotland. Expenses will be covered by the Forum and Community Councils.

LETS FOR SCHOOL HALLS: will only be covered by Inverclyde Council until 8pm thereafter this will need to be paid for.

Secretary's Report: Lorraine Marshall had dealt with much correspondence.

B Purdie is asking for the constitution. There was a delay in this being typed due to family commitments but should be available shortly.

Treasurer's Report: Current balance £13.00

C Lyons is meeting with the accounts dept. of Inverclyde council this Tuesday. Where they should issue a payment to ourselves on finding the accounts to be in order.

Newsletter/website/press matters: This will be printed before the school break but will not be distributed until the schools return.

Planning Matters: 4 Cullen Place Inverkip – 2 Storey side extension
16 Kip Avenue, Inverkip – erection of extension to dwelling house
Ardvar Cottage, Wallace Rd Wemyss Bay – pitched roof with front & rear dormer
Inverkip House Station Avenue Inverkip – erection of 8 dwelling houses by Inverkip House Ltd
Replacement windows Three flats (2 retro) Ivy bank main street Inverkip – recommendation planning permission be refused. At meeting on 6th October.

Cllr Forbes is to check if Inverkip House has been listed with Historic Scotland .

Date & Time of Next Meeting: 4 November 2004 at 7.30pm in the Inverkip Hotel.

AOB: Bruacre Junction – this is very dark Cllr Forbes to request that this be lit in the underside.

Bruacre Junction the Greenock Off Ramp the drains continually leak. Cllr Forbes to Investigate.

An Engineers Report has been commissioned regarding the residual water on the A78 at the Cottages.

Flooding at Bankfoot Roundabout – Amey are providing an engineers Report.

Residual Water on Finnock Bog Road at Sub PowerStation to Howie's Farm Cllr Forbes to chase up as previously investigated.

Spey Road – since Scottish Water laid new cables there is now a hole in the ground. Cllr Forbes to investigate.

Water at the bottom of Langhouse Road has been reported by A Masterson. Cllr Forbes to Investigate.

Surface Water pipe at the Inverkip Hotel in road. The ground is unstable here and although this is repaired annually this is not clearing the problem from the root source. Cllr Forbes to Investigate.

All of the above will be emailed to Jim Anderson at the roads department.

The Bankfoot roundabout is to be planted in October.

Street Lights it is helpful to email Cllr Forbes with light numbers which are not working. There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.30pm.