

Lauderdale Community Council

Minute of Meeting of Lauderdale Community Council on
Monday 13th October 2014 in Blainslie Village Hall at 7.30pm



ITEM 1 – WELCOME ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

In Attendance:

Jack Ponton (Vice Chairman) welcomed all present.

Anne Hogarth (Secretary), Graeme Donald, Judy Gunn, Michael Middlemiss, Ian Stevenson Irene Thomson.

Councillor PC Michael Norrie plus 4 members of the public

Apologies:

Gaye Colquhoun (Chair), Dave Cash (Treasurer), Ruth Mason, Edward Maitland-Carew, Alistair Smith, and Councillors David Parker, Iain Gillespie and Jim Torrance

ITEM 2 – POLICE REPORT

PC Michael Norrie spoke to his report.

He was asked to note that visiting games teams at the weekend were parking their cars on Manse Road and blocking entrances and exits. There is no signage pointing to the ample car parking at the Primary School.

It was also noted that the police were touring round Lauder much more regularly and this was a great help.

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ITEM 3 – ADOPTION OF THE MINUTE OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting dated 8th September 2014, in Lauder Primary School, was adopted as a correct record by all present; proposed by Irene, seconded by Graeme.

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ITEM 4 – MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

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ITEM 5 – RESILIENCE APPLICATION

Irene reported that this is being followed up.

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ITEM 6 – LAUDER TOWN HALL

Graeme reported that he had found grant money for a £5,000 study to find out reasons to keep and use the Town Hall. He had raised this at a Lauder Common Good meeting on 10th October and found that SBC Councillors were not in favour of this study/survey. He asked the CC for their support for this which was unanimous among those present.

ACTION

ITEM 7 – NOTIFICATION OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Stained Glass Window Unveiling Ceremony had gone very well with 3 songs from P7. Road surfaces A68 in Lauder and C11 in Blainslie area. Clothing bins are not being emptied often enough	ACTION Anne Iain
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ITEM 8 – REPORTS

<p><u>Lauder in Bloom (LIB)</u> – it was agreed to wait until Ruth could attend.</p> <p><u>Walking Festival</u> – this is being followed up.</p> <p><u>Joint Venture with Church</u> – During ‘Tour de Lauder’ it will be arranged that there could be entertainment and activities for children for around 2 hours while the ‘Tour’ was en route.</p> <p><u>Planning: New house at St Leonards</u> – no objection.</p> <p>Re-arrangement at Coop/garage. It was agreed to draw attention to the prospect of cars parking on the road between the entrance to Brownsmuir Park and the new entrance to the pumps beyond which could be dangerous. Also there is no sign for the large car park to the rear. Anxiety was expressed about the placement of the ATM and whether this would lead to dangerous parking.</p> <p>An application is in process to build a house at Lauder Barns on an old dump which is contaminated land. This is causing problems.</p> <p><u>Windfarms:</u> A 4th proposal for turbines at Muircleugh has been received. It was agreed that this should be objected to on the same grounds as the previous – visual impact, damage to views on Lauder Common and cumulative effect.</p> <p>A Public Enquiry for the Girthgate development has been confirmed. After discussion, it was agreed that the Planning Committee would contact other affected CCs with a view to putting a joint case to the Enquiry.</p> <p><u>Common Good</u> – this will be discussed at the next meeting.</p>	ACTION Anne
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ITEM 9 – BUSINESS

<p><u>Tennis Club</u> – Graeme reported that discussions with the Tennis Club are ongoing.</p> <p><u>Lauder Town Survey</u> – this will be discussed at a future meeting.</p> <p><u>Lauder Burgesses</u> – 4th November 2014 in Lauder Town Hall at 7.30. Michael will invite David and Gaye to host and the 4 Honorary Burgesses and 1 new one will sign the Roll. CC members are encouraged to attend.</p>	ACTION
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ITEM 10 – BUSINESS RAISED

<p><u>Signage on Harryburn Road</u> – it was agreed to raise this with Iain.</p> <p><u>Signage at Riggsyde and High Cross</u> – Alistair will report back at next meeting.</p> <p><u>Lauderdale News Invite for Views on Wildflower Meadow</u> – Anne reported that 19 responses had been received supporting the Wildflower Meadow, 1 supporting the skatepark and 3 asking for a swimming pool in Lauder.</p> <p><u>CC Minutes on Website</u> – it was agreed to ask Dave if the CC minutes could go up on the website.</p>	ACTION
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ITEM 11 – TREASURER’S REPORT

This was approved.
DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 10th November 2014, 7.30pm: Lauder Primary School