



Royal Burgh of Falkland & Newton of Falkland Community Council

**Minute of Meeting – 12th April 2022
held at 7pm at Falkland Community Hall
(public invited to attend)**

Welcome from Chair

Present: Rod Crawford, Jim Brown, John Smith, Roz Esslemont, Peter Burman, Douglas Young, David Anderson, Lauren Ballantine (minutes)

Councillors: Cllr David McDiarmid **Police:** nil **Residents:** nil

Apologies for absence: Gavin Lawson, Stuart Knowles, Cllr Andy Heer, Cllr Donald Lothian

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1	Welcome from chair	
2 Declarations of new Interest	None.	
3 Minute of Previous Meeting	March minute, taken by Lauren Ballantine. Approved.	
4 Matters arising not on the agenda	JS proposed bigger CC noticeboard for Newton of Falkland and will investigate options for local supply on volunteer project basis.	
5 Police Update	Monthly report for March circulated.	
6 Correspondence	Nothing of significance to report. i) Correspondence with Heids & Hearts ii) Correspondence regarding Community Halls/Events.	
7 Planning, Listed Buildings and Conservation	i) No controversial applications relating to Falkland & Newton of Falkland CC area. ii) CC noted with approval the renovation of the Lomond Tavern as a tearoom/ chocolate shop and the successful opening of the new business.	
8 Falkland's Future	i) Sustrans project; Change Control Request approved to transfer remaining grant funds balance to next financial year.. New Sustrans contact, Paul Hilton confirmed but is based in Bristol and may be interim appointment. Grant claim for final OPEN invoice approved by Sustrans. ii) JB trying to set up meetings with Fife Council management to evidence higher level 'buy in' with our proposals but not a lot of success to date.	



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	<p>Various sections in Roads and Transportation passing responsibility between them. Will propose further online meeting to resolve.</p> <p>iii) RC – we need to identify dates and proposals to start community engagement for next phase.</p>	
<p>9 Residents Issues</p>	<p>i) Bamblae / West Loan Access Road –Resident James Paton has offered to provide JCB to regrade road. JB/JS to meet to review more permanent options.</p> <p>ii) Resident issue – playpark at East Loan park looking sad, in need of investment.</p>	<p>JS to meet with James Paton to discuss interim actions.</p>
<p>10 Community Council Issues</p>	<p>i) Fountain. Roughly 6 weeks have elapsed since meeting with Scottish Water with no feedback. PB to re contact.</p> <p>ii) Flood Action group. JS – contact at Scottish Flood Forum, Paul Laidlaw has highlighted Rebuild back better initiative by Flood Re- up to £10,000 funding available for prevention works where there is history of flooding. Link to be circulated. Query around land ownership above factory site – believed this is owned by Falkland Estate.</p> <p>iii) Community Hall standby generator. JS – noted generator provided by Falkland Estate currently being overhauled.</p> <p>iv) Queens Jubilee. PB – update on beacon proposals, Ladybank CC drumming up support for local communities to participate in beacon project – some resistance from Landowner and FCCT due to wildfire risk. FST are planting Jubilee tree(s) in Home Park, close to Chapel in the estate. Bench with commemorative plaque to be installed. Falkland Festival group planning summer event on June 19th but this will not officially be part of Jubilee celebrations. NTS and FCDT considering children’s party events. Gardening Group meeting next week to discuss their options.</p> <p>v) Benches – application to local planning budget successful for £4000, various pricing differences based on materials used (plastic/wood). Benches to be located Lomond Crescent, East Loan, West Loan, 2 no. in cemeteries, and at the bank building. Sub</p>	



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	group of CC members PB, Cllr McDiarmid, JB, & RC to meet to finalise proposals.	
11 Cllr McDiarmid Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Completed walkabout with JS and John Brown. ii) Leaky barrier – still to get response from relevant contacts. iii) Bamblae – bridges/railings painted by Community Payback team. iv) Burnside Cottage – re-attach sign. v) Find solution for Bamblae. Bins to be emptied over weekend. Prior to lockdown bin services were on rolling rota. vi) Castle Park. DY – gardening group looking in to use of perennials / shrubs with bright colours. Noted FC still using weed killer. vii) Community Payback team will refresh Newton Play Park. 	
12 Elected Members Issues	None.	
13 A.O.C.B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Back Dykes /East Loan play park update. RE noted that sub-group has been established and questionnaire to be issued to primary school pupils to find out what equipment they would like. 	

Next Meeting: Tuesday 10th May 2022