

## **Bo'ness Community Council Convenor's Annual Report 11th September 2019**

### **October 2018**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting with Jill Kennan about lease on Portacabin in Seaview Place car park
- 10<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting Alex Orr in attendance re housing development on Crawfield Road
- 29<sup>th</sup> CC Convenors Forum meeting with Brian Pirie 3 attended
- 31<sup>st</sup> Meeting in old Kirk about Cenotaph Service and order of programme

### **November**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Licensing Forum
- 10<sup>th</sup> Festival of Remembrance in Falkirk Town Hall 3 attended Harcus Strachan VC slab put in situ in garden near Cenotaph
- 11<sup>th</sup> Attended Service in Old Kirk and then to Cenotaph to lay a wreath, good turn out
- 14<sup>th</sup> CC monthly meeting
- 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Library with local representatives and officers from Falkirk Council about Community Action Plan -22 attended
- 20<sup>th</sup> PPF Sensory Centre
- 22<sup>nd</sup> AGM of CVS Falkirk
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Planted pansies in tub at Harcus Strachan Memorial
- 29<sup>th</sup> Kinneil Woods consultation in Recreation Centre
- 29<sup>th</sup> Ineos Liaison Group

### **December**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Alex Orr at Recreation Centre update on Crawfield Road Application
- 4<sup>th</sup> Salvation Army Carol Concert in Town Hall
- 6<sup>th</sup> Ineos Apprentice Exhibition
- 12<sup>th</sup> CVS over 50's meeting; CC monthly meeting
- 19<sup>th</sup> Locality Planning meeting in Denny

## **2019**

### **January**

- 9<sup>th</sup> January CC monthly meeting
- 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of all CC convenors in Falkirk with Angus McDonald MSP
- 24<sup>th</sup> Hate crime meeting with Police in Sensory Centre 2 attended

## **February**

6<sup>th</sup> Launch of Silent Film Festival in Hippodrome

11<sup>th</sup> Presentation of £500 cheque from Miller Homes for Marcus Strachan Memorial Garden

13<sup>th</sup> CC monthly meeting Representatives from Miller Homes attended re housing at Bo'mains Farm

19<sup>th</sup> Licensing Forum

27<sup>th</sup> Budget meeting with Brian Pirie 3 attended

## **March**

6<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Safety Cabin with representative of Bo'ness Community Bus re receiving McLaren Trophy

7<sup>th</sup> Planning meeting in large room from 7 – 9pm Joan facilitating 22

11<sup>th</sup> meeting in Seaview Place re lease of portacabin for Community Space

13<sup>th</sup> CC monthly meeting

18<sup>th</sup> 2 of us attended Buzzness AGM

22<sup>nd</sup> Opening Gala Silent Film Festival 3 attended

24<sup>th</sup> Closing event of Film Festival 3 attended

## **April**

2<sup>nd</sup> McLaren Trophy to Bo'ness Community Bus

10<sup>th</sup> CC monthly meeting

13<sup>th</sup> Former member of BCC Gus Goodwin died

14<sup>th</sup> meet with IFL

16<sup>th</sup> CVS over 50 meeting **Age is just a number**

25<sup>th</sup> Licensing Forum

## **May**

2<sup>nd</sup> meeting with the Licensing Board

7<sup>th</sup> Kinneil Advisory Group meeting Bo'ness Library

8<sup>th</sup> CC monthly meeting

9<sup>th</sup> meeting with Douglas Duff and Pete Reid re town centre grant from Barnet Formula. £1.97 million available, Bo'ness got £1 million thanks to CC being made aware of a post on twitter. Committee of interested groups taking plan forward. Update soon but will include free wi-fi in town centre and changes to the library including a lift.

14<sup>th</sup> met with Kate from IFLI re available grants for our community

Also attended Exhibition and update of Community Bus, 2 years in Town Hall

18<sup>th</sup> Exhibition in Callendar House re Gladiators and discoveries in York

28<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Bo'ness Academy re future development at Northbank

29<sup>th</sup> drop in session in Town Hall Sue Walker from IFLI Windings and Wanderings

## **June**

5<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Library re closure of Walled Garden in Kinneil Estate with Mandy Brown

10<sup>th</sup> meeting in Kersiebank with members of Grangemouth CC

12<sup>th</sup> Monthly CC Meeting Alex Orr attending to update us on Crawfield Road development

13<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Kersiebank Centre with Grangemouth CC and Angus McDonald MSP re road closure and changing how planning decisions are made

18<sup>th</sup> Joan and I spent a few hours tidying up area around Marcus Strachan VC memorial

Val Spowart attended a meeting in Falkirk re Bus services

20<sup>th</sup> Seminar in CVS Falkirk re Good Governance

Stewart Milne display in Cowdenhill Community Centre re housing development at Stacks Farm

21<sup>st</sup> Several of us attended a memorial event for Alex King one of our Community Councillors for many years who died on May 6<sup>th</sup> in the Richmond Park Hotel.

Joan and I attended an event at Kinneil Railway which included afternoon tea on the train

24<sup>th</sup> Emergency meeting of BCC called at less than 24 hours' notice re Trust plans for local facilities

26<sup>th</sup> Several of us attended a full Council Meeting in the Chambers This was to hear the debate on Falkirk Community Trust plans to close most of the facilities under their control in Bo'ness

## **July**

2<sup>nd</sup> meeting with Jessie from Big Lottery re funding

9<sup>th</sup> CVS Falkirk

10<sup>th</sup> Monthly CC Meeting

16<sup>th</sup> Bo'net launched a new updated leaflet

17<sup>th</sup> Bought new slab for Marcus Strachan path. Growness boys did the work free for us.

20<sup>th</sup> Stuart and I attended and helped at the opening event of Kinneil Trails for mountain bikes

23<sup>rd</sup> 4 of us were present at the launch of Bo'ness Without Fear Book about the names of the deceased on Bo'ness War Memorial This was a great project, which we supported

30<sup>th</sup> Attended an event in Horns Café about decoding Bo'ness. This was a study by students from Edinburgh University. Really interesting and we look forward to receiving hard copy information on this

## **August**

1<sup>st</sup> Volunteer Workshop in Library, free to attend

2<sup>nd</sup> BRAAS presentation in Corbie Inn when we received £500 towards seating at Marcus Strachan Memorial

14<sup>th</sup> CC monthly Meeting

21<sup>st</sup> Drop in session at Cowdenhill Hall re Housing development at Stacks Farm

27<sup>th</sup> Attended Hippodrome to see interviews with local people all over Falkirk area. An amazing event

29<sup>th</sup> Bo'net /CVS event in the Town Hall - Volunteering Fayre- BCC, Bo'ness Community Safety Group and Bo'net joined forces to make people aware of what we do in the community. It was a well-attended event and all those taking part were pleased with results.

## **September**

9<sup>th</sup> Photoshoot with Miller Homes and Kinneil Band for presentation of Cheque for £750 to the Band and then coffee for everyone in Richmond Park Hotel, Len and I attended.

Thanks to you all for your support throughout the year. We were very sorry to receive Gail Nash's resignation but understand the reasons and wish her well as she studies for a further degree and we will continue to support her in any way we can.

We especially give our thanks to Police Scotland who have attended most of our meetings and kept us up to date with what is happening in our community

A special thanks to our secretary Joan who has also had to be minute secretary on several occasions. Thanks to Robyn who did the minutes several times as well. We really appreciate Robyn and Owen's work with the website and are delighted with the number of hits we now get to our website and Facebook page

During the year we were represented at Bo'net, Taxi Forum, Falkirk and District Community Safety Panel, WLMB CIC, Friends of Kinneil, Bo'ness Churches together and Newtown Park FC meetings.

Details of our monthly meetings and minutes are available at [www.bonesscc.org](http://www.bonesscc.org)

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