 BO’NESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting held on 13th March 2024**

**St. Catherine’s Church Hall 7.30pm**

1. **Welcome**

Madelene Hunt welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves to new member William Ballantine who is representing St. Mary’s Church.

**Sederunt**

Madelene Hunt (Convenor), Brian Dempsey (Treasurer), Stuart McAllister, Val Spowart, John Ogden, Lennox Ainslie, Billy Horn, William Ballantine

**In attendance**:

Councilor David Aitchison, PC Graeme McDougall. A copy of the Police Scotland report is due to be forwarded.

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Councilor Stacey Devine, Brian Laird (Vice Convenor), Jaine McLean (Secretary), Wendy Turner (Minute Taker), Gordon Clark

1. **Minutes of the 14th of February 2024 meeting**

Minutes were approved as read.

1. **Matters Arising**

**Councilor David Aitchison**

Falkirk Council are re-surfacing roads at present and I understand that Carriden Brae is due to be re-aligned, which should be a bonus.

**Val Spowart**

Val told David that were signs on Crawfield Road, along by the Old Pump House that construction work was being carried out in the area.

1. **Police Report**

PC Graeme McDougall forwarded the Police Report. He reported that levels of crimes were consistent at 40 to 50 a month and that there is a new reporting system. Reports include juvenile crimes too however not to details or arrests.

1. **Reports**

**Billy Horn**

Billy notified us that Buzzness were having there AGM on 18th March, hopefully in the Corbie Inn. An application has been submitted for the toilet. Billy will update at the next meeting if there are any developments. Buzzness hope to get the keys to a storage unit sometime this week.

**(Treasurer) Brian Demspsey**

No report

**John Ogden**

Concerned about the number of trees along Sycamore Avenue and wondered who is responsible for their upkeep and should we be notifying Falkirk Council.

**Lennox Ainslie**

Concerned about the number of temporary road closures around the town at present. The worst has to be just past the entrance to the Drum Housing Estate, with heras fencing and temporary traffic lights, however you never seem to see anyone working. Just outside the entrance to Miller Homes new Antonine Brae Development. Can we please invite representatives along to a BCC meeting for an update for an update on progress.

**Councilor David Aitchison**

David kindly informed us that Bo’ness Library should be open again to the public in approximately six weeks’ time with the new lift allowing access to upstairs and making it easier to access and DDA complaint.

Falkirk Council considering introducing 20mph zones on roads between Airth and Blackness. Parking attendants will work in pairs and issue £100 tickets for bad parking etc.

**Stuart McAllister (Planning)**

Only one Planning Application P/24/0086/LBC for listed building consent of the installation of gas pipework on the Avon Bridge, Bo’ness Road, Grangemouth.

Community Council : Bo’ness

Applicant : SGN

Case Officer : Katherine Chorley 01324 504704

 Email : katherine.chorley@falkirk.gov.uk

Earliest date of decision : 22 March 2024

**(Chairperson) Madelene Hunt**

No report.

1. **Correspondence**

No correspondence was received.

1. **AOCB**

To save time prior to meeting please check the minutes for accuracy and any changes to what has been recorded so we can quickly note these, adopt the minutes and move to matters arising.

**The date of our next meeting is Wednesday 10th April 2024 at 7.30pm at St Catherine’s Church Hall**