

# RALSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of meeting on 5 December 2019 in Ralston Community Centre

**Present:** Fergal McCauley (Vice Chair & Treasurer), Alison Scott (Secretary), Sandra Reynolds, Simon Hall (minutes), Rod McLelland, Bill Gray.

**In Attendance:** A resident.

**Apologies:** Cllr J Adam-McGregor, Cllr N Graham, Allan Thompson, Bill Whyte, Catherine Gooding, May Fernie, Robert Elliot.

### **Action**

**Welcome from the Chair:** Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

**Police Report:** No police present.

**Councillor's Report:** No Councillors present.

**Minutes of the previous meeting:** Proposed by Alison Scott, seconded by Rod McLelland.

**Matters arising from the minutes:** Cllr J Adam-McGregor emailed St Mirren regarding litter around the grounds, who in turn have asked those concerned to not drop litter, St Mirren have also offered to get involved in the next litter pick arranged.

The secretary confirmed that information regarding drone usage has been forwarded onto the resident concerned.

The Provost's community awards were promoted on the Community Council Facebook page (but not on the website due to changing host). Simon has been nominated for arranging the Barshaw Park clean-ups.

An external cabinet for the defibrillator costs approximately £450. A code is required to open the cabinet, which is available from emergency services. It was agreed that we'd discuss with Anne McNaughton whether the Community Council can pay for this.

**Fergal**

Samples of newsletters have been gathered, however most Community Councils communicate with residents online. It was agreed to carry this forward to the next meeting.

**Secretary's Report:** Secretary advised that since the last meeting, 9 emails had been received, 3 of which had been circulated. Those not circulated, 2 were weekly planning lists out with our area, information regarding the works in the nursery car park from Cllr J Adam-McGregor, 2 regarding documents for various council boards and 1 regarding a pilot scheme for common housing repairs not relevant to our area.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer advised that since the last meeting there was an income of £743, expenditure of £0.00 and a current balance of £2879.26.

**AOB:** St Mirren Lighting – A resident stated that each of the 8 posts around the training ground that currently have 2 funnelled lights, are being replaced by 5 LED lights on each post. The new lights aren't angled down or funnelled, as a result are affecting houses in the surrounding streets. Complaints have been raised with St Mirren and the Council. The Council advised that St Mirren are in the process of installing and angling the lights, once complete the Council will consider the matter further. Residents are not satisfied with this response, as their properties are being affected now. The Community Council agreed to raise the issue with local Councillors to progress. It was recommended that any residents who have concerns should raise them with the Council and/or the Community Council, using case reference RE10415.

**Fergal**

Honeybog Hill – The Scottish Rights of Way and Access Society (ScotWays) is a charity promotes public access rights in Scotland: [www.scotways.com](http://www.scotways.com). It was agreed to await legal advice and carry forward this matter to the next meeting before proceeding.

Website – hosting and email services have been moved to TSO Host, the domain will be moved when it's due for renewal. A calendar has been installed on the website which will contain a diary of events in the area.

**Date of next meeting:** Thursday 9 January 2020 at 7.30pm in Ralston Community Centre.