Grangemouth incl. Skinflats CC

Minutes of Public Meeting via Zoom

Date 16th September 2020

Time 7pm

Attending:

W.Inglis, M.Richards, K.McIntosh, D.Higgins, A.Gillies, D.Balfour (Cllr)

Apologies:

A.Mullen, T.Brown, S.Aitkenhead, A.Black (Cllr)

Police Scotland Report

Circulated and Noted see attached

M.R. advised no feedback from Community Sergeant reference request to meet with Community Inspector. M.R. also raised concerns in relation to vehicles inappropriately parked in streets.

W.I. suggested that contact be made with MSP Michelle Thompson who we understand may have a meeting with Police Scotland arranged, to flag up our concerns across a number of issues raised over a period of time and that she gets back to us with responses from the Police. (MR to action).

SEPA Report

Circulated and noted see attached

W.I. advised that he had been in contact with SEPA to expand on our concerns in relation to the SPORTEX development at Abbotsinch industrial estate. SEPA has responded and offered an online meeting to discuss our concerns. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 22nd September (W.I. and D.H. will attend).

W.I. advised that a response has also been received to concerns about oversight of operations within the Port of Grangemouth. W.I. requested that D.H. peruse the response and advise if it covers the concerns then we can respond.

Presentation Slot

None scheduled

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Circulated to interested parties

Content moved by K.Mcl. and seconded by A.G.

Matters Arising from Previous Meeting Minutes

M.R. gave feedback on our request for information from Falkirk Council that would allow us to return to Face to Face Public Meetings.

M.R. also highlighted the imminent dissolution of the current Community Council has an impact.

D.H. advised that the Community Education Unit caretaker will be returning to work and that there are Covid precautionary measures in place at the unit to facilitate groups meetings.

A.G. advised that he had been made aware that if an individual tested positive for Covid wether vaccinated or not they could test positive for up to 90 days. On that basis it was agreed by those present that we continue to meet via Zoom.

Correspondence

Circulated and updated

M.R. requested that when colleagues are invited to offer comment on circulated information that they take the opportunity.

Planning Report/GFIB

W.I. advised that he has now emailed P.Reid at FC with a request for an update on how and when the community engagement aspects of GFIB will kick in.

W.I. also advised that Pirimal have been in contact via email to provide information on their planned piling operations associated with their development at Earls Gate Park. The Head of Engineering has offered to meet with us to further discuss and answer any questions we might have.

D.H. advised that the parking associated with the developments at Earls Gate park is already problematic and may get worse.

D.H. also flagged up a change of use for 3/4 Lumley Street. Description of use: for slow moving engineering items in relation other projects within the area. (K.McI will check).

Post Meeting Note: We have responded to the invitation to meet with Pirimal and an online meeting via Zoom has been arranged for Monday 11th October at 7pm.

Local Community Planning

W.I. advised that an email had been circulated by FC to all those who had attended the LCP community engagement events seeking responses to what is now proposed. W.I. asked colleagues to review and revert with any comments.

Treasurers Report

Current Balance £4496.11

Annual Accounts signed off and passed to CCLO

Matters Raised by Members of the Public

K.McI. raised a concern in relation to paths in and around the Marshall Street location that are covered in moss and come the winter will likely become hazardous.

W.I. suggested that K.McI. report the problem via the FC website as a first step to resolving the problem.

K.Mcl. also advised that she had received a response from waste management in relation to her suggestion for improved bulk waste storage and control. Basically we will do out our way.

AOCB

W.I. wished to place on record the thanks of the CC for the work that is being done by our colleague Adam Gillies in his role with Friends of Inchyra Park. Adam and his friends have secured funding from various sources to improve the park and have also put significant personal effort into bringing their plans to fruition. Well done to all concerned.

Next Meeting Thursday, October 21st at 7pm via Zoom