

Grangemouth incl. Skinflats CC

Minutes of Public Meeting via Zoom

Date 18th November 2021

Time 7pm

Attending W.Inglis, M.Richards, K.McIntosh, T.Brown, S.Aitkenhead D.Higgins A.Gillies (circa 8pm), Cllr J.Flynn, Cllr R.Spears(circa 8pm)

Apologies A.Mullen

Police Scotland Report

Noted and circulated. M.R. advised no confirmation of meeting date with chief inspector.

SEPA Report

Noted and circulated. W.I. advised that he and D.H. had met with SEPA officers via Zoom on 28th October to be briefed on changes to the way in which SEPA will manage waste management licences. No environmental standards will be reduced however the manner in which the licence holder meets compliance will no longer be dictated by SEPA.

Presentation Slot

None scheduled

Minutes of the previous meeting

Agreed, proposed by D.H. seconded by S.A.

Matters arising from previous minutes

CC Insurance renewal agreed K.McI to action

Correspondence

M.R. advised all correspondence received has been circulated to colleagues

Planning/GFIB

W.I. advised that he had not noted any significant proposals on the recent weekly lists.

K.McI. raised a concern in relation application P/21/0426/FUL change of use from amusement arcade to restaurant/hot food takeaway at 1 La Porte Precinct. The concern being the management of waste from the premises. *Post meeting note this application has been decided and granted permission*

W.I. advised that following the intervention of councillor Spears (thank you) a response has been received from Falkirk Council in relation to the involvement of the community in the workings of the Grangemouth Future Industry Board.

W.I. advised that he had a lengthy telephone conversation with the council officer leading on this work and had received assurances that the community will be engaged with through various forums to not only update them but to listen to their views. *Post meeting note we have been advised that a meeting of the Grangemouth Stakeholders Group will be reconvened in December 2021. The Stakeholder Group last met in 2019 and had drawn up a Draft Community Plan*

Local Community Planning

NTR

Treasurers Report

Current Account Balance £4467.33

Pending Expenditure: Remembrance day Wreath £33.00

Community Trailer signage £40.40

CC Insurance £112.00

Matters Raised by Members of the Public

S.A. advised that he had been messaged by folks who had expressed an interest in taking up the offer made by FCT to lease the Zetland Park Kiosk. A couple of questions were raised during the following discussions.

What happens to the facility if the lessee is unable to make a go of the business, in particular how would that affect access to the included toilet facilities?

Will the premises be handed over in a condition that would allow the lessee to avoid significant cost to get the operation up and running?

T.B. expressed the view that it was important to get this facility up and running to establish its worth to the Zetland Park given that in the future it is proposed to demolish the existing building as part of the Grangemouth Flood Prevention Scheme and reestablish a facility elsewhere in the Park. The point being that if the existing facility is not seen as functional then the commitment to provide a future facility may be dropped.

Cllr J.F. gave a short update on how the transfer of assets from the FCT back to FC will be managed to ensure continuity of service.

AOCB

M.R. proposed a record of congratulations that was unanimously agreed to our colleague Adam Gillies from the CC in recognition his inclusion in the Provosts Award 2021 for his sterling work on behalf of Friends of Inchyra Park.

W.I. requested that we look further into reestablishing our public meetings on a face to face basis. M.R. advised that we have a booking to use facilities within the Community

Education unit part of the Sports Complex albeit we have indicated previously that we would not take up facility until January 2022. There was also some discussion around how we could establish a hybrid style meeting when guests or members of the public could participate via the internet in future face to face public meetings. In so doing we could reduce concerns around numbers attending to safely manage and socially distance attendees at meetings.

D.H. asked when the parking restrictions on HGV's overnight parking come into force as he understood it to be the 11th of November but he had noted no visible change to the numbers of vehicles overnight parking. *Post meeting note TRO/21/011 came into force on 11th November 2021*

There being no further business meeting closed

The next scheduled meeting 16th December 2021