

MINUTES OF HCC ZOOM MONTHLY MEETING 29.07.21	ACTION	STATUS
<p>1.PRESENT FOR HCC: Norman Muir, Roger Ferdinand, Tariq Durrani, Nigel Millar, Roger Clarke, Stewart Noble, Norman McNally, Sarah Davies, David Allan, John Tacchi, Stewart Steel, Rosie, David Sinclair, Irina Agnostelli, Rosie Sumsion.</p> <p>PRESENT FOR A&B COUNCIL Cllr Richard Traill, Provost Cllr David Kinninburgh</p> <p>Press / Public: Craig Borland, Ian Baird, Douglas Walker, Vivien Dance, Angela Anderson, Viv's I Pad.</p> <p>APOLOGIES: Peter Brown, Cllr Lorna Douglas, Cllr Gemma Penfold</p> <p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: S Noble - Town Visitors Book</p> <p>MINUTES: Accepted as an accurate record of the AGM and Monthly Meeting held 24.06.21. Proposed John Tacchi seconded Tariq Durrani.</p>		
<p>2. FINANCIAL REPORT: Treasurer Stewart Noble The Treasurer's report was circulated 27.07.21. Points of note: Income : £1790 A&B grant received Outgoings: Zoom subscription Purchase of plants for shrub beds £456.00</p>	SN	Done
<p>3. REFOCUS OF HCC</p> <p>Further to the June meeting Stewart Steel gave a presentation based on the information gleaned from his online chats with a group of community councillors. Following the meeting Norman Muir circulated the presentation to HCC members on 01.08.21. The presentation focussed on :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Vision Statement > Values > Being reactive > Positive Networking > Applied Expertise > Active Engagement <p>COMMENTS</p> <p>JT: Agreed with 99% of content, stated that HCC was closest to the community and noted the lack of interaction with A&B Councillors that is vital.</p> <p>Cont/....</p>		

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VIVIEN DANCE: Representing the Chamber of Commerce made the following points:

- > How will the success of the mission statement be measured?
- > What distinguishes Helensburgh?
- > Who is the message for?
- > What does HCC do with its money?

NMCN : Relationships should be established not only with councillors but also with council officers.

IA: Young people - Helensburgh is a growing town and should be a place where all generations are involved.

SN: Money - Helensburgh receives the lowest contribution per head of any of the councils in A&B.

NM: Congratulated Stewart Steel on the presentation and commented that the mission statement addressed both current and future needs.

4. PLANNING UPDATE

NMillar: Commented that the Taylor Wimpey (TW) consultations despite being poorly attended did let us hear what they wanted to say.

NMillar points of note:

- > TW are marketing views of the sea but how will they achieve this with the current layout?
- > What about bus routes and stops? Suggested a circular route to include Morrisons.
- > Noted access to site is along East Abercromby only
- > Affordable housing is concentrated not integrated.
- > Potential issues with water / sewage flow.
- > Provision for pedestrians.
- > Problems with parking.
- > Sustainable heating not specified as yet.

Summary: There is room for improvement and the importance of making HCC views to councillors.

JT: Apologised for not attending any of the presentations but his key issues are:

- > Removal of sewage.
- > Access.
- > Impact on local schools and services.
- > Strain on local services from Ardencaple, Colgrain and Golf Club developments.

JT will raise issues at meeting 30/7.

NM ansr: TW are addressing the impact on services.

NMillar: Impact will be resolved if passed by SEPA.

DA: Asked if there are plans to provide shops/convenience store.

NMillar ansr: TW did consider but felt not necessary.

SN: Pointed out the proximity of shops at Churchill

SD: Asked if the TW Sustainability Officer was at presentation; NO.

<p>5. COP HCC need to participate 18-25 Sept. Plastic Free Helensburgh, Grey Matters etc are organising a week of activities. > Film nights / zoom nights > Schedule to be distributed once confirmed > Activities across the community > Market stall addressing Food / Energy / Fashion / Environment SD To meet with Carrie Ann and Ross McLair to discuss Civic Centre involvement. Twenty plus businesses have now signed up as Plastic Free Businesses. Need support of A&B council. A&B have given £1600 and Arnold Clark £700. SD: Asked that HCC endorse the initiative by agreeing to the Plastic Free Helensburgh Partnership Pledge If no comments are received by 6.08.21 it is minuted that HCC will commit to the pledge. JT proposed a vote but NM pointed out that not everyone had received the SD email sent 28.07.21. TD: Informed the meeting that Rotary has organised a poster competition for primary school children in A&B to be presented at the COP event at the SECC. It is proposed to display the posters locally at schools, the Community Centre and Council Offices from 06.09.21. TD asked HCC to support the printing of posters and pop up stands estimated cost £400. RF asked if three competitive quotes had been obtained TD said they had two and would forward spec to RF to obtain a quotes from local supplier Admin Design & Print. HCC agreed in principle to support once 3 quotes had been reviewed.</p>	<p>SD</p> <p>RF</p> <p>RF</p>	
<p>6. HCC ROUND UP</p> <p>> Pavements / Bins</p> <p>Suitability of bins - position and capacity.</p> <p>DA:After CHORD the new bins were described as insufficient and inadequate, A&B said they would replace with bins fit for purpose but have not delivered on this promise.</p> <p>NM: Will write to Jim Smith A&B Roads Dept expressing HCC concerns of lack of action.</p> <p>SD: PFH are conducting a litter bin survey and litter collection survey that they will present to A&B.</p> <p>IA: Reminded HCC that in Europe businesses take responsibility for cleaning the area in front of their premises.</p> <p>RC: If bars and restaurants have use of the pavements it should be sufficient incentive for them to keep the area clean.</p> <p>Cont/...</p>	<p>NM</p>	

**HCC ROUND UP
Pavements / Bins Cont/..**

SD: Commercial rubbish collection should be completed before businesses open.

Angela Anderson PFH: Have visited carry out businesses to encourage use of plastic / polystyrene free packaging. Have communicated with Hugh O'Neil but no money is available

JT: Agreed with DA that at start of CHORD A&B said they would replace the bins if inadequate.

NM: We have a close relationship with Roads and Amenities and will continue to progress the issue.

Summer in the Square

TD reports: Working with Stall Hire Scotland preparations for Music in the Square are well advanced. A programme of performances by musicians and dancers has been put together for Saturday 28th August. Details will be released closer to the event.

Faslane Base

NM and TD Have met with the Base Commander who agreed that the Base should be more involved with events in the town.

He agreed to:

- > Contribute to the next series of webinars.
- > Participate in meetings and take up HCC vacancies by providing a representative from the base.
- > Offered use of facilities at Drumfork for future HCC meetings.

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Webinars

TD: Informed that the next series of webinars will commence 14/10/21 and include :

- > Medical Centre
- > Sustainability

Beach Clean:

SD: Reminded the meeting that the next beach clean was scheduled for Sat 31/7.

The Grab Trust have produced stickers for use on the bins.

Helensburgh Visitors Book

SN: Reported that the book has been acquired from the auctioneers at a reduced price of £750.

The Heritage Trust members have contributed £395 toward the £500 from the Trust.

It was agreed that HCC would donate £100 toward the cost.

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NM: Suggested that it be brought back into use and displayed in the corridor at the Civic Centre.

RC: Asked where the book had come from

SN: It was purchased as part of a job lot at auction by Angela Hope resident in Spain.

TD: Asked that thanks be recorded to SN for bringing the item back to the town.

Vision for Helensburgh.

NMCN: Reminded the meeting that he will require funding of £700 for Vision for Helensburgh presentations.

Prepared by RF.

TD