

**Tarbolton Community Council**  
**Minute of Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019**  
**7pm at Tarbolton Community Campus**

In attendance

Robbie Mann	Tarbolton Community Council
William McColm	Tarbolton community Council
Jean McColm	Tarbolton Community Council
Ian Ferguson	Tarbolton Community Council
Mungo Taylor	Tarbolton Community Council
Cathy Thompson	Tarbolton Community Council
Nicola Kelso	Tarbolton Community Council
Cllr Arthur Spurling	South Ayrshire Council Elected Member
Joe Dalling	Tarbolton Tenants & Residents Committee

**Members of the public: 11**

**1. Welcome**

Chair Robbie Mann welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2 Sederunt**

Sederunt completed to record all present.

**3 Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest by any person present at the meeting

**4. Apologies**

Apologies received from Josie McMurdo, Mark O'Hara Thomas, Cllr Julie Dettbarn and Police Scotland.

**5. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018 were agreed as a true record.

Proposed by: - Nicola Kelso

Seconded by: - Mungo Taylor

**6 Matters Arising**

No matters arising.

## 7. Reports

### Chairman

Nothing to report.

### Treasurer

Nothing to report.

### Secretary

Nothing to report.

### Police Scotland

Following report submitted via email by PS Michael Cowan.

<b>Incidents and Crimes of note compared with same period last year</b>		
<b>Crime Type</b>	<b>January 2019</b>	<b>January 2018</b>
Housebreaking/Theft	0	1
Vandalism	0	2
Drugs offences	0	1
Assault	2	0
Breach of the Peace	0	1
Drink or Disqualified Driving	1	1

### Notes

1. This report provides comparison crime figures for Tarbolton for the month of January in 2019 and 2018 respectively.
2. Two assault offences were committed. Both were domestic related offences and have been detected.
3. No Drugs/Housebreaking/Vandalism/Breach of the Peace offences were committed which is a reduction on last year.
4. One drink driving offence was committed - officers will continue high visibility patrols to detect and deter road traffic crime.

Comments then made from floor regarding crime in village not being reflected by Police Report. Chairman pointed out that the Police Report reflects the crimes reported to Police Scotland, and if crime is not being reported, Tarbolton will continue to be viewed as a low crime area with a Police response to match. Discussion followed.

### **Link Officer**

Not present at meeting.

## **8. Special Reports**

### **Speeding**

Chairman addressed Cllr Spurling requesting an update on the progress of the Speed Gun Initiative. Cllr Spurling replied that progress has been halted due to a lack of volunteers willing to undergo training. Discussion regarding speeding then followed. Chairman then undertook to approach Police Scotland and South Ayrshire Council in relation to speeding in village.

### **Dog Fouling**

Chairman raised the matter of dog fouling within village, advising that if a particular time can be identified when the dog fouling is taking place, then South Ayrshire Council will have enforcement officers attend the village and issue fixed penalty tickets to offenders. Discussion followed taking in litter and fly tipping. Chairman undertook to put posts on Community Council and Tarbolton Times websites requesting people report incidents of dog fouling and providing the relevant contact numbers to do so.

### **Street Lighting**

Chairman reported that he has contacted Ayrshire Roads Alliance and raised the issue of the new street lights in the village and the number of complaints made about the lack of light. A R A had replied that the new Street Lighting conforms to the European standard required for street lighting, however they added that if there were areas of the village giving cause for concern, then they would be prepared to attend and monitor the light and, if necessary, take action. Joe Dalling added that Bobby Borland from Ayrshire Roads Alliance had attended the village and he has agreed to enhance the lighting at the swing park and in some other areas, however he stated that they will not be enhancing the lighting within the Tarbolton Campus due to a dispute with the Education department over financial responsibilities.

## **Tarbolton Landfill**

Chairman reported that Joe Dalling hosted a meeting within Tarbolton Community Campus on 5<sup>th</sup> February which was attended by representatives from SEPA and South Ayrshire Council. Cllrs Dettbarn and Spurling were also in attendance, as was Brian Whittle, MSP. The Chairman and Mungo Taylor attended on behalf of the Community Council. The meeting was mainly concerned with the ongoing sampling regime being undertaken by SEPA, the latest results of which have now raised the threat to surface water to a high risk. All other categories remain low risk. SEPA have undertaken to produce a report concerning the minimum required to make the landfill site safe, and to run it at a minimum level to remove the leachate. South Ayrshire Council have already produced an interim report regarding this issue. SEPA have agreed to attend any meeting of the Community Council they are invited to. It has also been arranged that the meeting of the 5<sup>th</sup> February will be re-convened on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019 within the Tarbolton Campus. Cllr Spurling stated that he, acting as a private individual, had approached the SSPCA regarding the effects of the leachate on the local wildlife. SSPCA have agreed to attend and examine the site. Discussion followed.

## **Tarbolton Surgery**

Chairman reported that following a request from resident in the village, he has contacted the surgery requesting an update on the current surgery hours now that new doctors have been recruited. He has had no official reply but has been told that the additional doctors are allowing the existing GPs to return to normal hours without the need for overtime, and there are no plans to alter the current surgery hours. A discussion then followed.

## **New Council Budget**

Cllr Spurling advised that two council representatives will be attending the Tarbolton Campus between 12:00hrs and 14:00hrs on 15<sup>th</sup> February to carry out a consultation on South Ayrshire Councils proposed budget plans for the coming year. He added that there are proposals to charge £4:00 per hour for parking in Ayr and an intention to cut subsidies on bus routes. A Discussion followed.

## **Local Anniversaries**

Chairman stated that he had been approached by Joe Dalling with a view to arranging celebrations for the forthcoming anniversaries of Tarbolton Village being granted a Royal Charter (350 years), The Masonic Lodge being established (250yrs) and the Church opening (200yrs), which all occur in 2021. Chairman has identified the need for a steering committee involving all village groups to organise a series of events to commemorate these anniversaries. Joe Dalling advised that some preliminary organisation has already taken place with the Masonic Lodge already starting planning. Joe will be attending a meeting within the County Buildings with South Ayrshire Council who have offered to provide staff to assist in the organisation of events. Cllr Spurling

added that Visit Scotland are also aware and are willing to be involved. He then asked the Chairman to chair any future meeting regarding the matter. The need to involve the village and to organise events to enable funding to be sourced has been identified. A discussion then followed. Chairman has undertaken to liaise with Joe Dalling and institute a steering committee to organise the celebratory events.

**9. Ordinary Business**

No ordinary business.

**10. Any Other Competent Business**

Nicola Kelso raised the matter of the Community Pot Awards and asked if Tarbolton Community Council intend to apply. Chairman stated that he would have the Christmas lights tested and if they are found to be faulty he will apply for funding from the Community Pot to replace them.

The Meeting was closed by the Chair who thanked all for their attendance.

**Date of next meeting:  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7pm in Tarbolton Community Campus**