

Tarbolton Community Council
Minute of Meeting 28 March 2018
7pm at Tarbolton Community Campus

In attendance

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| Robbie Mann | Tarbolton Community Council |
| William McColm | Tarbolton community Council |
| Jean McColm | Tarbolton Community Council |
| Ian Ferguson | Tarbolton Community Council |
| Cathy Thomson | Tarbolton Community Council |
| Samantha Brown | Tarbolton Community Council |
| Janine Summers | Tarbolton Community Council |
| Cllr Arthur Spurling | South Ayrshire Council Elected Member |
| Neil Mellon | NHS Ayrshire & Arran |
| Dr Alison Hill | Taiglum Medical Practice |
| Dr Alastair Steven | Taiglum Medical Practice |
| Pamela Milliken | East Ayrshire Health & Social Care Partnership |
| Joe Dalling | Tarbolton Tenants & Residents Association |

Members of the public: 0

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 were submitted on behalf of Mark O'Hara Thomas and Link Officer Karen Monaghan

5. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 31 January 2018 were agreed as a true record.

Proposed by: Billy McColm

Seconded by: Catherine Thompson

6 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

7. Reports

Treasurer

The application to open a bank account with RBOS has been abandoned due to continued difficulties in processing application. An application to open an account with Bank of Scotland has been initiated and should be completed in the near future.

Secretary

Result of Community Council Election:

The number of candidates did not exceed number of posts available, so no vote was necessary, and all three candidates have been duly elected to serve on the Community Council. The successful candidates are Catherine Thompson, Janine Summers and Mark O'Hara-Thomas.

The Community Council has been asked to formally elect office bearers and complete a form supplying details of said office bearer and proposer and seconder for each post. The completed form has to be returned to South Ayrshire Council

Notification has been received from South Ayrshire Council detailing increased charges for Outdoor Pitches, School & Hall Let Charges.

Police Scotland

Police Scotland were unable to attend.

Link Officer

No Link Officer present at meeting.

8. Special Reports

Taiglum Medical Practice: Dr Alastair Steven addressed the meeting advising that Taiglum Practice are about to lose a Doctor from the practice reducing the current number of GPs from seven to six. Due to a current shortage of GPs in Scotland there is no immediate prospect of a replacement and consequently the number of surgeries the practice currently undertakes have to be reduced. The decision has been taken to make the required cuts at Tarbolton as the

existing premises offer much poorer facilities than the more modern premises at the other three locations where the Practice have surgeries; Coylton, Drongan and Mossblown. Additional appointments will be set aside for Tarbolton patients at Mossblown Surgery, and for one of these sessions a bus service is being arranged. A copy of a letter which will be sent to patients detailing cuts was distributed. A lengthy discussion followed, during which Drs Steven and Hill expressed hope of obtaining a new GP and expressed Taiglum Practice's commitment to retain a surgery in Tarbolton. Neil Mellon advised that the Health Board have no funding available to replace or upgrade Tarbolton Surgery. Letter from Pharmacist read out by Chairman detailing Services on offer at the Pharmacy to assist with current situation.

South Ayrshire Information & Advice Hub:

Secretary addressed meeting on behalf of SAC South Ayrshire Information & Advice Hub providing an overview of services and assistance on offer. Discussion followed.

9. Ordinary Business

a. Incinerator:

The Chair reported that information had been received that the Landfill has stopped taking in waste, so in an effort to clarify the situation, he has made enquiries with SEPA. An email has been received from Steven Devlin advising that as of 21/03/2018 Tarbolton Moss Landfill has ceased the acceptance of waste. SEPA are currently engaging with the operator to clarify whether this is a temporary or permanent measure

10. Any Other Competent Business

Chairman offered congratulations to Tarbolton Woods Campaign on recently receiving a funding grant.

Cathy Thompson raised concerns over drug dealing in the village. Discussion followed. Outcome was that this is a Police matter and all such instances should be reported to them. Request to be made to have Police attend future Council meetings to discuss concerns. Neil Mellon advised that he would follow up on any instances of prescription drugs being sold on, should information of persons involved in these activities be passed to him.

Cathy Thompson raised concerns over litter in village. Discussion followed, and the decision taken to have Cathy research the possibility of Community Council registering with the Keep Scotland Beautiful national campaign and organising a litter picking event.

Chairman raised the matter of the increase in the let charges for Outdoor Pitches, School and Hall Lets. Discussion followed leading onto a general

discussion about the Community Campus. Councillor Spurling advised he will continue to query the ongoing situation within the Council.

Billy McColm raised concerns re Herris fencing left on site Community Centre causing a hazard by blocking view of vehicles.

Samantha Brown advised the meeting about an online petition regarding the setting up of a Burns walking trail. It was suggested that the originator be contacted and invited to the next meeting.

Councillor Spurling advised that he is involved in a project to set up bus tours around South Ayrshire visiting various Burns sites before ending at the Gaiety, in Ayr, where entertainment will be provided.

Joe Dalling requested that the proposed work on the church wall be added to the agenda for next meeting.

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

**Date of next meeting (to include AGM):
25 April 2018 at 7pm in Tarbolton Community Camp**