Lockerbie & District Community Council

21st May 2024 Community Council Meeting Minutes (FINAL)

1. **Welcome** –
2. **Apologies** – Avril Bailey, Ken Bailey, Stephen Thompson, Lauren Jardine
3. **Present** – Ian McLatchie, Doreen Jenkins, Roger Claymore, Lucie Dudgeon, Carolyne Wilson, Gail MacGregor, Robert Humes, Simon Poole
4. **Public Forum**- Request for defibrillator cases for 2 at Lockerbie Academy to be installed externally allowing more access outside school hours.
5. **Police Report –**. None Received
6. **Youth Report** – No Attendees – request to Lockerbie Academy to ask any pupils wishing to represent at meeting.
7. **Minutes of previous meeting** Approved Ian McLatchie, seconded by Roger Claymore
8. **Treasures Report** – none – Temporary Treasurer Nominated by Ian Mclatchie, Seconded by Doreen Wilkins and Simon Poole, all council members in support. Books handover and auditing of funds required on previous disbanded CC
9. **Chairs Report** –
   Funding requests available to community via Muirhall Energy and more information on being involved in community share ownership is available.
   Request – Lockerbie Medical Practice – Attend a meeting or hold a meeting for the community.
   Access to noticeboards required for publishing of meeting minutes. External board outside Commonwealth takeaway requires Perspex replacement
10. **Constituents News, Issues and Updates**
    - **a)** Issue with new play park slide top access at Quass Loaning as a potential serious head injury risk for children. – *D&G Council reviewed, tested by LCC. These are installed with safety to prevent high falls from top of slide, Closed.*
    - **b)** Park Projects – D&G council confirmed start dates of activities agreed will commence post gala.
    - **c)** Park View Place residents' access issues to buses stopped entering location. *Bus schedule not agreed to serve Park View due to size and if small local buses have done this, it has been drivers own actions – Closed*
    - ***d)*** Buses using High Street where contractual clauses require use of service road. *Chair will contact companies to request they adhere to contract upon his return*
    - **e)** 20mph - DGC Roads depts is currently producing a communications plan and implementation programme for the temporary TRO process, communications and site works, with a target of late June 2024 for completion of works and an enforceable temporary 20mph speed limit. A Communications Plan will be produced including a press statement and advertising/ social media campaign to inform, promote and encourage compliance with the new speed limit.
    - **f)** Email received from residents on Eskrigg Place playpark condition and maintenance. *D&G council cannot support any upgrade/replace, they only maintain the grass area. Closed*

g) New signage at Bridge Street for new car park at head height with additional visibility concerns for drivers and pedestrians – *D&G Council reviewed and LCC. Cannot see what could be considered differently and risks are minimal. Closed*

h) Corrie and Common good survey report received. The updated reports tells of a significant number of trees requiring either removal or a large amount of work carried out on them, approximately 60 in number. A further report will be heard at Lockerbie and Lochmaben Common Good to determine how to proceed.

i) Cellar Issues at old Cinema with potential for damage/injuries – *D&G council to provide target date for remediation*.

j) Manhole noise pollution on Mains Street, Arthurs Place and Dumfries Road – *Residents raised again with Council and Scottish Water – Mains Street corrected, Arthurs place and Dumfries Rd, not so – contacting Scottish Water for updates*

k) Pothole causing drivers to risk potentially fatal crashes with Timber traffic on c97a in Dryfe Valley –*Council confirmed and highways department remediated. Closed*

l) Concern raised about building conditions of Bluebell Inn/hotel on High Street request to get owner to rectify – *D&G Council to continue to monitor. Closed*

m) Concern raised about planning consent for development of 25 houses at the Old Creamery at Park Place and lack of sharing to community council. *D&G council to provide update on planning application as other concerns raised about egress access to site/houses and parking requirements*.

n) Lockerbie Scouts group beginning the process of looking for new place

o) Lockerbie CC and Community Groups **-** LCC would like to invite groups across Lockerbie to come together to support improving and maintaining the look of Lockerbie via Blooms, Planters, Hanging Baskets and other ideas for the benefit of the community

11) Correspondence

Submitted supporting letter for the Lochmaben to Lockerbie Access route, (pedestrian and cycle path)

Received Kings Portrait for Lockerbie Town Hall

Request from Fred Olsen Renewables to attend a meeting, council agreed Sept meeting would be more appropriate

12) AOCB

Co-opting of new councillors – LCC have determined that it needs more Councillors and are Co-opting volunteers. LCC have decided that nominations and proposers of Robert Humes and Lauren Jardine meet the criteria as per the scheme of community councils. Forms provided to submit to D&G council for community councillors for confirmation of appointment and eligibility are to be processed to complete this action. Appointment of Robert Humes was proposed, seconded and approved Robert Humes, 38 West Acres, Lockerbie, proposed by Simon Poole 29-31 Mains Street, Lockerbie

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Community Council Election – October 3rd 2024 – All community councillors will have to be submitted and nominated one proposer by 5pm Tuesday 3rd Sept 2024. Please consider joining the council to have your say and support the community's best interests

Request for funding to support Christmas Lights total is £2000, *will send form to requestor*

Request for funding to support Gala Run Medals with Annan & District Athletics Club – *Approved*

Request for funding to purchase Gala Sashes for 2024 £653 – *Approved A Form to be submitted for treasurer.*

Request for Funding support of Nurture group trip from Lockerbie Academy, 2 days residential *–Approval of half of funding request – form to be sent to requestor*

13) Date and Time of Next meeting

Tues 18th June 2024 7pm in Lesser Hall at Lockerbie Town Hall

All Members of the Public are welcome to attend.