

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BIGGAR COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD  
AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 23 JULY 2018 IN THE LIBRARY ROOM, BIGGAR SPORTS CENTRE**

**Present:** Gordon Cunningham, Ann Harrison, Graham Kerr, Diana Nutt, Peter Rae, Jimmy Ritchie (Chair)

In attendance:

5 members of the public

**1. APOLOGIES**

1. William Buchanan, David Wesencraft (Police), Alex Allison, Iain McAllen

2. The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

**2. POLICE REPORT - No police report**

**3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD APRIL 2018**

3.1 It was noted that Stagecoach seems to have won the contract for the bus service but still looking at funding. No official timetable as yet

3.2 Biggar Primary School Car Park - noted that no new signs in place yet and no-one has been contacted regarding a key.

*Minutes proposed by GC, seconded by AH*

**4. SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCILLORS' REPORTS No councillors present**

**5. CHAIR'S REPORT**

5.1 Chair has not been contacted by Police Scotland to reschedule meeting regarding Hogmanay 2017

5.2 Gladman Associates- The Chair reported that there is no change in circumstance or any more information available

5.3 Bield Care Home - Chair has had no word if meeting in August is to go ahead but will chase

5.4 The lights at the Burnbraes will definitely be fixed this financial year

**6. TREASURER REPORT**

6.1 Incentive account - £1203.31 including monies from Glenkerie fund £369.12.

Business account - £515.00

Windfarm fund - £1691

**7. BIGGAR COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

7.1 Commercial Buckets in High Street should be moved to rear, Chair has spoken to staff in Aroma and they say that they are unable to move the buckets. Chair will speak to owner.

- 7.2 Road degrading badly in High Street parking areas, Chair will follow up
- 7.3 RBS Meeting for 1<sup>st</sup> August seems that this is for individuals - Chair will ask for meeting with RBS for update
- 7.4 Hartree Road - verges really high and need cut back, Chair to contact SLC. Also, corner of The Wynd, the bushes need cut back as pedestrians need to walk further out into the road

## **8. MICROGRANTS**

- 8.1 These are discussed by a sub group following the main meeting. All grant applications meeting the criteria are considered.

## **9. AOCB**

- 9.1 Concerns about lack of signage and placing of signage to inform drivers to slow down entering the town from East and West. Also, speeding traffic is a concern in the 40 and 30 MPH areas. Speed Cameras possible? Chair to speak to Inspector McCallum. Would a roundabout be a possibility at Skirling turnoff to promote slower traffic? Thus works at West Linton at Robinland roundabout and there is also a higher Police presence in West Linton
- 9.2 Talks are taking place regarding a possible Community Bus from Edinburgh to take place of services allegedly discontinuing
- 9.3 Planting is going ahead in some beds but in talks with SLC who are doing survey and what lies under these areas. Lack of hanging baskets in Biggar, Chair has complained to SLC, no reply. It was noted the water bowsers to water the baskets are not high in SLC's priorities.

## **10. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

- 10.1 7 pm Monday 20 August 2018.