**TILLICOULTRY, COALSNAUGHTON & DEVONSIDE**

**COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE BEN CLEUCH CENTRE ON THE 19th APRIL 2022 AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT –Ronnie Beveridge, Ewart McAuslane, Ian Millar, Mark Briggs, Damian Sherwood -Johnson, Alex Robertson, Robert McAuley, Mhari Leel, Melanie White, Councillor Balsillie, Fiona Law, PC J Miller, Robert McClelland, Helen Saunders, Willie Lamb.**

**AGENDA ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES – Councillor Balsillie**

**AGENDA ITEM 2 - POLICE REPORT– PC Miller outlined the pattern of offences over the month. The report will be posted on the boards. He referred to pressure on the Force from COVID and recruitment and retention problems and asked for the community to bear with them. He raised in particular antisocial behavior in and around the empty house at 11 Elistoun Drive and the fear that fires being lit in the house could result in a repeat of the Moss Road experience. The current record will be passed to the CC with a view to trying to get Clackmannanshire Council to address the matter.**

**Two other issues were raised namely**

1. **The use of a dirt bike driving around the Town. The community was advised to keep reporting incidents to improve the prospect of catching the individual in the act.**
2. **Egging – there had been incident that day and Police were investigating.**

**DS-J will organize a meeting with the Police to look at how the CC could help to improve the local position.**

**AGENDA ITEM 3 - MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - The Minutes had been circulated and were approved. Proposed by RB and seconded by IM.**

**AGENDA ITEM 4 – GALA – 19TH JUNE 2022 – arrangements for the Gala are well underway. The football will return, organized by Tillicoultry FC. There will be a Coalsnaughton Gala held on the 18th of June. It will be a small scale event co-ordinated by the Burns Club and linked to the Primary School.**

**AGENDA ITEM 5 - PLANNING – RB gave his report as follows –**

1. **Traffic calming on the B9140 through Coalsnaughton. Some confusion over when the works will start.**
2. **Coalsnaughton North Housing Site – Allan Finlayson from the Council has suggested a meeting between the developer, the Council and the CC which should happen shortly.**
3. **Place Plan – Grant Baxter has been appointed Place Officer and the need to get up to speed early to maximise the benefit to our community was stressed. EMcA and RB met with the Roads Officer and Lead Person for the Town Centre Improvements (G.Fraser) and the Place Officer (Grant Baxter) for early networking purposes relating to the Town Centre Initiative and for the way forward in Place Planning . It proved a helpful dialogue which will inform future contacts.**
4. **CTSI are holding a husting on 26TH April with an open invitation.**
5. **Devonside Planning Breach – He had written to the Planning Service a month ago but had had no response.**
6. **Weekly Planning Bulletin – he warned that the bulletin was not totally reliable at the moment.**
7. **Dollar Road Housing site – work had started in contravention of the timing requirements designed to protect nesting birds. Approaches had been made to the Council and the work stopped.**

**AGENDA ITEM 6 - DEVELOPMENT OF PLACE PLAN – DS-J updated members on progress towards the development of the Place Plan and the CC’s links with the Coalfields Regeneration people. They will provide support, resources and graphics in the process. The next step will be calling a public meeting to form a Steering or Management Group to oversee the process. It is likely that the meeting will be at the end of May with the first meeting with CRT being held early in June.**

**AGENDA ITEM 7 – AOCB AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING–**

1. **EMcA referred to 2 Micro Grant applications which were not able to be processed due to the applying agents being in receipt of income over the MG limit of £6k. He suggested that given both projects are supported by the CC that they agree to make a £250 payment to the OYCI towards them setting up their base in tillicoultry High street and that the CC make a payment of £250 towards the cost of the Coalsnaughton Gala Day from the 2022 EDF Events Grant. Both proposals were approved unanimously.**
2. **DS-J informed the CC about money which had come from the Co-op’s Community Fund towards the cost of the GROW AND GRAB GRUB project. One session on willow weaving had taken place with other events due to take place raising environmental issues through developing working relationships through randomized coffee trials involving the Devonvale Hall and Tilly Tea Rooms.**
3. **DS-J had run an egg hunt and litter pick at Coalsnaughton Glen.**

**The next meeting of the Community Council will be on the 10th May 2022 at 7.00pm in the Ben Cleuch Centre.**