



MEETING
Monday 11th March 2024 at 7:00pm
Letham Village Hall

Monimail Community
Council

MINUTES

Item	Welcome.	Action
1	<p>David Hamilton, welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>Attendance & apologies CC Councillors David Hamilton, Chair (DH), John Vaughan, Treasurer (JV), Juliet Forrest, Vice-Chair (JF), Kay Stuart (KS), Henry Broadhurst (HB), Willy Fenton (WF) Judith Finnie (JF) (co-optee), Michael Farrell, Minute Secretary (MF)</p>	
	<p>Local Community Anne-Marie Taylor (AMT), Andrew Henderson (AH), Alan Finnie (AF)</p>	
	<p>Fife Councillor in Attendance: Donald Lothian (DL).</p>	
2	<p>Apologies</p>	
3	<p>Minutes of meeting on 13th November 2023 Approved proposed by JF and seconded by WF The minutes can be found on the Letham Village web site.</p>	
4	<p>Matters Arising from the Minutes All on agenda</p>	
5	<p>Cllr Donald Lothian Questions</p> <p>Bus Timetable Update New timetable was supposed to come into effect from January put back to March. DH put survey out as agreed to seek community views on current and future transport provision - 38 responses. Action: DL to contact FC for an update on why the new timetable as agreed had not been implemented</p> <p>Water Issue on The Row Drain now cleared but pavement not yet restored. KS contacted FC but told it was not now a priority. However, there are still significant safety issues in relation to Secret Garden children and particularly older residents. Action: DL to follow up with Fife Council</p> <p>Mud Hut Root Damage Agreed that FC will remove tree as causing damage to neighbouring property. Timing still to be agreed.</p> <p>Recycling Appointment System There has been no progress yet in having this restriction removed.</p> <p>School Brae Issues of potholes and adoption were revisited.</p> <p>Key issue – not a safe route to school or safe for residents generally. Could residents/ CC involve school e.g. in letter writing campaign, parents to</p>	<p>DL</p> <p>DL</p>

	<p>express views? Ask school to review School Travel Plan? Residents minded to inform Fife Council that they were considering restricting access. Anja Armstrong from Cupar Development Trust agreed to try to progress the issue. However, she has no power to make any change.</p> <p>Action: DL will continue to press for pothole fixes but due to the existence of unadopted roads across Fife, he cannot press for adoption of the road as it is council policy not to adopt any roads that do meet a certain standard. There are also limits to what CC can do to support residents with this issue.</p> <p>Options:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Get a quote for repairs, all residents including FC take on share of costs. Potential liability issues that need to be investigated. This could include approaching Gilmartin re. carrying out repairs as corporate social responsibility. Action: residents to pursue this 2. CC to support a longer-term solution in consultation with School Parent Council. Action: KS to contact Martha Ramage - to request review of School Travel Plan. 3. DH explained there was nothing to stop FC applying a lower standard for older roads. How do we find out if there is a mechanism for this? Action: DH to email DL regarding this idea which the latter will then pursue with Fife Council. 	<p>DL</p> <p>AF/ JF</p> <p>KS</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Planning Applications Eden Springs Development</p> <p>DH has already put in an objection on behalf of CC and requested views from those present. Main concern is 'Trojan horse' strategy for further development of holiday lodges. Other issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood risk. • Community envelope. • Sewage/ Waste water concerns. • Environmental/ biodiversity concerns. • Increased traffic – safety for walkers. <p>Action: DH will draft a further objection & circulate to CC for comment</p> <p>The expectation is that the Holiday Lodge application will be made soon. The same approach will be adopted to this development.</p>	<p>DH</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>JV reported that the balance in the bank account was £2912.88</p> <p>Didn't apply for Floral Grant in 2023– if there is a project people want we can apply again for 2024. KS suggested a floral project related to Doocot. Action: Please pass ideas to JV who will co-ordinate application in new financial year.</p> <p>Replacement pads required on defibrillator. Action: JV to arrange for pads to be replaced; DH/ JV to reissue instructions. Code is C159X.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>JV/ DH</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Local Place Plan</p> <p>Following meeting on 23rd Feb, Anja Armstrong collated all the projects people had suggested and included them in the Cupar and District Local Place Plan consultation. These can now be voted on via the link provided on Letham Website: https://letham.org.uk/2024/03/local-place-plan/ Action: People urged to vote for all Letham and Monimail proposals</p>	<p>All</p>

	<p>Suggested that info should go on local noticeboards for those who don't have digital access. Action: MF to put up poster on village noticeboards</p>	MF
9	<p>Community Council Cohesion Day Proposal Suggestion for an event to get people involved. HB willing to co-ordinate but needs committed volunteers. Tapestry a possible vehicle for this. Action: To be discussed further; AMT to consult with working group and if agreed, put on agenda for next CC meeting.</p>	All/ AMT
10	<p>Community Groups Village Hall Options Appraisal process for hall insulation programme now almost complete. Final draft of report almost completed and JV/ MF meeting with Sam Foster of Arc this week. Excellent data has been provided to enable good decision making about the most cost-effective measures to choose and then apply for funds. Grant applications under way. Action: MF/JV to keep CC informed about progress. MF to circulate results of community consultation.</p> <p>Letham P.S. Noted changes to Parent Teacher Council Chair – this will be an opportunity to re-engage with the school. Action: Get a date when school children could meet with CC members to discuss what they think of Letham and how to improve the environment</p> <p>Letham Nights Extra date added for Fleur Darkin dance event – 25th May. Tickets for next show on 27th April selling fast. MF advised people to buy soon.</p> <p>Secret Garden (SG) Action: DH to send email to Trustees re ongoing issues.</p>	<p>MF/ JV</p> <p>??</p>
11	Any other Business	
12	<p>Date of Next Meeting 13th May 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall</p>	