

## LARBERT, STENHOUSEMUIR & TORWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING – 28<sup>th</sup> August 2017

RENNIE LOUNGE, LARBERT OLD CHURCH

### Attendance Details

#### Committee:

- Eric Appelbe (EA)
- Ted Bingham (TB)
- Jim Cowan (JC)
- Colleen Hurren (CH)
- Jim Kelly (JK)
- Peter O'Rourke (POR)
- Lauralin Scott (LS)
- Denis Shovlin (DS)
- Yvonne Weir (YW)

#### Also Present:

- Elizabeth Baba-Yemi, Annette Selywn, and Aiden Campbell - Larbert High School
- Cllr David Grant, Cllr Laura Murtagh and Cllr Gary Bouse
- Fraser Johnston, CATCA/Cycling without Age
- 12 members of the public
- PC Susan Wetton

#### Apologies:

- Community Safety Team (written report submitted)
- Greg Nicol, TCSC

### 1. Welcome and Apologies

- EA welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were noted.

### 2. Police Report

- PC Susan Wetton was in attendance at the meeting and gave the Police Report. There were a total of 161 reported crimes/offences from 26/06/2017 – 27/08/2017
- **Larbert / Torwood Area – 84 crimes/offences** - These crime reports/offences related to thefts, vandalism, assaults, road traffic matters including speeding, breach of the peace and drugs. One vandalism in particular impacted 14 people in Ewing Way.
- **Stenhousemuir Area FE13 - 77 crimes/offences** - These crime reports/offences related to fire-raising, vandalism, theft, assaults, road traffic, drugs, weapons, breach of the peace and domestic incidents. One included a fire-raising incident at the Drysdale factory in Stenhousemuir where there is a good lead of enquiry.

## **Environment**

- Kinnaird Village has seen a reduction in youth disorder over the last two months. Patrols within this area continue to be conducted with the assistance of the Crime Prevention Team. There has been a reduction in the number of calls in this area. Youths continue to congregate in playparks but there have been no significant issues.
- There had been a spate of vandalisms to car tyres with nails within Ewing Way Larbert. This area has now been cleaned by Falkirk Council and no further vandalisms have occurred. A 46-year-old male has been charged with these offences.
- There have been a few complaints regarding youth disorder at the golf course during the holidays. The majority of these children have been identified and warned by PC Wetton in the presence of their parents.

## **Speeding**

- Speed detection has been conducted with the local area and 4 persons have been charged as a result. There have been complaints in relation to the Stirling Road and Bellsdyke Road areas. Speeding will be on the Police agenda for the next few months and more resources will go to road traffic.

## **School Engagement**

- Larbert Village Primary after school club has been visited by PC Wetton and talks relating to vandalism, personal safety have been given.
- Glenbervie Kindergarden summer school programme was also visited by PC Wetton as part of a safety awareness during the school holidays. Glenbervie nursery hosted an emergency services week and PC Wetton attended to provide information to the children of duties Police undertake.

## **Other matters raised**

- PC Wetton advised that PC Christopher Morrison is currently on paternity leave.
- PC Imrie is currently back at LHS but once his LHS replacement is in place, he will move back to community policing in Stenhousemuir.
- PC Wetton advised that the issues in Carronvale Road have also been resolved.
- A resident from Evans Road raised concern over the speed of vehicles and lorries on Burnhead Road for the golf course.
- A resident advised that there had been a large number of youths congregating on Saturday night at the back of the Thistle wing in Kinnaird.
- DS advised he had experienced a lot of incidents of road rage and speeding vehicles whilst on his scooter.

- YW raised a series of Questions for PC Wetton which had arisen from correspondence/comments received by the Community Council by e-mail and social media over summer:
  - James Street Scout Hall windows – PC Wetton advised this is currently under enquiry
  - Vandalism at Tryst Golf Club (Trees) & cricket club (benches) – PC Wetton advised that there is increased security and crime prevention measures.
  - Cross-bow fired at a car on Pretoria Road – PC Wetton advised the Police are aware of this.
  - Vehicle fire at a house on Torwood Avenue – PC Wetton advised the Police are aware of this incident and making enquiries.
  - Speeding on Muirhall Road and on the Main Street to King Street – PC Wetton advised there have been hi-viz patrols in the area.
  - Speeding Inches/Kinnaird – call for 20mph limit. Councillor Laura Murtagh advised she had spoken to roads colleagues about this and that there is currently a government consultation. Such schemes are not currently enforceable but there could potentially be pilot schemes. DS advised there are similar issues in Kinnaird Drive and round about where a 20mph limit would be useful given the number of children playing in the streets. It was discussed that one of the issues with 20mph limits are that cars speed up after them.
  - Racing vehicles in evenings Stirling Road/Lochlands Loan area – PC Wetton advised the Police are aware of these issues and now have some registration numbers.
  - Speeding at new houses in Larbert Woods – This issue has not been raised with the Police to-date.
- JC raised that there are a number of people jumping the lights at the new traffic system in Stenhousemuir. This could increase with the new system.

### 3. Community Safety Team Report

- YW gave a brief overview of the Community Safety Team report from 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017 which can be viewed in full at: <http://lstcommunitycouncil.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/LSTCC-CST-August-2017.pdf> Key points of note:
- Kinnaird and Cricket Club area – The team continue to patrol this area with Police Scotland due to continued reports of groups of youths and associated noise. They have carried out some joint foot patrols with Police Scotland and are engaging with groups they meet and having restorative conversations to make them aware of the impact of their actions to residents.
- Torwood Castle - The Community Safety Team along with Police Scotland continue to monitor this area to deter fire raising, unauthorised vehicle use of the private road and upper car park area for anti-social behaviour.
- The team are monitoring and patrolling a number of streets and parks in the Larbert, Stenhousemuir and Torwood area in relation to dog fouling. If anyone has any information relating to those responsible in these areas (or any other), then please do not hesitate to get in touch via the details below. All calls are confidential.
  - Phone: 0808 100 3161 FREEPHONE 24/7
  - Email: [community.safety@falkirk.gov.uk](mailto:community.safety@falkirk.gov.uk)

- Online Falkirk Council Website: [www.falkirk.gov.uk/do-it-today](http://www.falkirk.gov.uk/do-it-today)

#### 4. Youth Report – Larbert High School

- The LHS report was delivered by Elizabeth Baba-Yemi, Annette Selywn, and Aiden Campbell.
- Aiden (Vice-Captain) gave a positive report about the return to school after the holidays. There continues to be an upward trend in results with more getting Highers and over 200 getting at least 1 higher.
- Last week the new S1s went on team building courses to Lendrickmuir. The S6s will do a similar course next week. The S6 Captaincy team have undertaken teambuilding training sessions at Carronvale to help them become more effective leaders.
- Elizabeth spoke about the school numbers with 350 S1 pupils starting this year. The school roll will continue to increase. It will be one of the biggest schools in the UK and Europe reaching c 2200 pupils by 2020. Extra funding and resources will be required and the school has taken over the former Carrongrange School building this year to provide more facilities.
- Annette advised that the creative arts department has moved into Carrongrange so that the music, art and drama facilities are all in one place.
- This year's Prizegiving will celebrate both academic and non-academic achievements with former pupils coming back to participate including Kieran Brown who is currently performing in the West End. By holding the prizegiving in the new term, the academic achievements will be based on actual exam results.
- Aiden advised that there have been improvements to safety at the school with 38 new CCTV cameras (50 in total) installed to help tackle anti-social behaviour.
- A resident asked how many pupils are going on to University. It was advised that 99% of pupils are moving into a positive destination. The resident asked about drop-out rates. It was agreed that more detailed positive destination figures would be brought along to the next meeting. **ACTION 1 – LHS to bring more detailed positive destination figures along to the next meeting.**
- A resident gave positive feedback to the pupils about their contribution at the meeting. He discussed that research would suggest that due to the scale of the school, performance should dip but that Larbert High is bucking the trend and not dipping, and that the work which has taken place over a number of years at the school has been massively progressive. It was noted that the School's performance has gone from the bottom to the top league in Falkirk. The resident commended the work of staff and pupils.
- DS advised that Radio Royal is looking for volunteers aged 16 plus on Tuesday and Thursdays to visit wards.
- It was advised that Mrs Kay has now left LHS to take up a new position at Kilsyth Academy.

## 5. Community Council Elections 2017

- Cllr Murtagh gave an update on the Community Council elections which need to be every 4-years and are due to take place this year. There has been a delay in getting the process underway following other commitments including the recent elections. There has been a further delay while consideration has been given to the implications of the Community Empowerment Bill on Community Councils. However, there is a recognition that there does need to be elections in next few months. Cllr Murtagh advised that the most realistic projection is for the elections to take place in November. A report will require to go to full Council or to the Executive committee. Cllr Grant advised he had received the same information.
- EA advised there may be a gap if the Community Council stands down as normal following its September AGM or the Community Council could consider continuing until the elections take place.
- A query was raised over what would happen if any of the Community Councillors did not wish to continue after the AGM. It was agreed a realistic approach would be required.
- EA confirmed that the majority of the Community Council would not be standing again and that there would be continued advertising of the Community Council to gain interest.  
**ACTION 2.**

## 6. Todhill Windfarm Update

### Main Grant Fund

- The deadline for the current round of funding for the main fund for grants up to £5K was 25<sup>th</sup> August. Confirmation is required from Foundation Scotland on timescales for the next panel meeting to consider the applications received.

### Micro-Grant Update

- YW advised there had been no applications received and that an exercise to follow-up on existing grants to gather evidence and outcome reports was now required. **ACTION 3.**
- YW and CH working on written report to report back on funding to Foundation Scotland.  
**ACTION 4.**

## 7. Matters from the Floor

### Larbert Station – Planting and Flower Beds

- A resident advised that the Vale of Carron Rotary had been adopters of the gardens and planning at Larbert Station. The Vale of Carron Rotary has now run down and the gardens and tubs at the Station are no longer being cared for. There are currently 3 people who want to start a group of residents to look after the station gardens. The group will need to work with Network Rail to get approval and to receive safety briefings. The tasks include the small tubs, big tubs and garden on Platform 1 and the train and tubs on Platform 2. Ideally the group would require 8 or 9 people. Scotrail provide a budget of £250 per annum

to buy plants/fertilisers. The resident will investigate insurance cover for the group. Ideally the group would be operational by Spring next year. The Community Council will put out a plea for volunteers to get in touch. **ACTION 5.**

### **Community Tidy-Up**

- A resident provided a report which he will circulate to create a wider group to undertake a regular tidy up of the larger area around station. The resident is keen to get statutory agencies together and some of the companies around the station actively involved. The idea would be to have a fixed annual clean-up and a properly funded maintenance regime in place. Further suggestions are required for the maintenance regime. It is anticipated that the group would be operational by Spring 2018.
- Cllr Murtagh advised she has a meeting within Falkirk Environment Trust and there may be funding support to help with start-up and logistics.
- The resident will forward the written proposal and the Community Council will forward to interested residents. **ACTION 6.**

### **Roads Issues**

- A resident raised the state of Bellsdyke Road where overhanging trees between the Inches Roundabout and the Call Centre mean that the pavement cannot be used. It was agreed to seek action on Bellsdyke Road. **ACTION 7.**
- A resident advised that the wall on Muirhall Road is not safe with trees growing out of the wall and stones loose.
- A resident advised there are issues with grass cutting around Evans St/George St.
- It was noted that the grass is now very high around the M876 junctions near Glenbervie Golf Club. This is blocking the vision of vehicles coming off the motorway. Cllr Murtagh to take up. **ACTION 8.**
- It was noted that the legislation for local Traffic wardens is still going through parliament. It was noted that on the 12th September the new signage will be up and Falkirk Council will be able to enforce.

### **Buses**

- A resident noted that the F11 Bus is still going the wrong way and is often late. Cllr Murtagh agreed to raise with Chris Cox at Falkirk Council. **ACTION 9.**
- Cllr Murtagh advised that progress is also being made with the No.7 bus. She is meeting with the Antonshill Residents Association to take forward discussions on the service.

### **Youth Café Proposal**

- A resident advised he had met with Jon Reid and Lorna Hurren at LHS along with Developing the Young Workforce representatives to discuss the idea to involve the school in the establishment of a youth café. This would provide work experience and enable

projects to help young people to get ready for leaving school providing skills in areas such as finance, marketing, catering, life skills etc. There may be potential to seek windfarm funding in the future for the project. In the interim, a feasibility study will be carried out. The project idea has been positively received by all.

### **Tryst Community Sports Club (TCSC) Update**

- Fraser Johnston gave apologies from Greg Nicol and gave a quick update on TCSC activities. The Club had its biggest programme ever over the summer with 220 kids taking part across all the camps. Falkirk Junior Bike Club ran free sessions with 84 taking part. TCSC has now taken over all leisure operations in LHS with activities taking place every night up to 830pm. There has been considerable interest from new groups especially in relation to the swimming pool.

### **Dorrator Bridge Update**

- Fraser advised that the Dorrator Bridge project is ongoing. The painting has been delayed due to adverse weather. The launch is due to take place on 15th September and Gordon Harper is due to come down to unveil the new structures. The project has been part-funded by the windfarm funds. Support has also been received from Concrete in the Classroom and LHS to develop the concrete searing installation.

### **Cycling Without Age**

- Fraser advised that 5 new bikes have been ordered to help increase capacity. They now have many volunteers and interest from across Scotland. The project is being funded through the European Social Fund for 6-months. There has been significant media coverage including a BBC film with over 25 million views of the project and £43K raised through crowd-funding. The project is receiving support from the Scottish Government to roll-out the project across the country and to grow the team to meet the project's vision. Falkirk Council is also looking at how they can adapt the path network to support cycling and all other users through the positions of dropped kerbs and bollards. Two bikes will operate from Denny High School and 1 will go to the Falkirk High Flats to be used to help get people out from their homes. The remaining 2 bikes will go to Dollar Park and Airth care homes. There is also a Scottish Parliament reception next Tuesday for the project.

### **Communities Along the Carron Association (CATCA) AGM**

- Fraser advised the CATCA AGM is on Thursday 31st August from 630-830pm at LHS.

### **Cycling Festival FVRH**

- YW advised there is a Cycling Festival taking place at Forth Valley Royal Hospital on Sunday 3rd September. Information has been posted on social media.

### **Community Defibrillator Update**

- Cllr Murtagh advised it is hard to get accurate information about where community defibrillators are located. She advised that a paper was going to the joint consultative committee last week about provision. There is also new guidance from Scottish

Ambulance Service which may be able to be shared. It was noted that all GP surgeries in the area have one. There is also an app with information but the app only has details of defibrillators that are operation 24 hours per day. It was agreed this would be an activity that the new Community Council would need to consider moving forward taking into consideration the best location and long-term maintenance requirements.

## 8. Approval of Minutes – Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017

- The minutes from the June meeting were proposed by DS and seconded by JK.

## 9. Matters Arising

- The following actions from the June 2017 meeting were discussed:

No.	Action	Responsibility	Action Taken	Outcome/Next Steps
1	Litter pick around Larbert Station – resident to submit proposal to LSTCC for consideration	Resident	Awaiting proposal. In interim, CATCA has confirmed they have equipment and other residents have expressed an interest	Resident attended meeting and project was discussed under matters from the floor.
2	Microgrant payment to be made to GN	YW	Payment made – letter dated 21/7/2017	Awaiting outcome report
3	Objection to be submitted to Planning Application - Drive Thru Restaurant, Tryst Road, Stenhousemuir – P/17/0319/MS	YW/CH	Objection submitted 19/7/2017	Acknowledgement received – Awaiting outcome.  September committee.
4	Comments to be submitted in response to Transport Scotland - Improving Parking in Scotland Consultation	JK/YW/EA	Comments submitted 29/6/2017	Acknowledgement received – Awaiting outcome.
5	Gladman Scotland – Proposed housing on Stirling Road – Comments to be submitted that LSTCC remains not in favour of proposal	YW	Comments submitted 19/7/2017 and copied to Falkirk Council	Acknowledgement received from Falkirk Council but not Gladman Scotland. Awaiting outcome of consultation.
6	Councillor Bouse to speak to cleansing re the removal of the litter bin on	Cllr Bouse	Carried forward from June meeting	Cllr Bouse advised the Golf Club had asked for it be removed. All the bins are



	Burnhead Road at the entrance to Tryst Golf Club			being removed and replaced with larger bins. Also, a trial in Grangemouth for bins with a sensor where if it is full a notification goes to waste. Tryst Golf Club advised that the issue is that rubbish still being left where the bin used to be. To be raised with the community Safety Team. <b>ACTION 10</b>
7	Contact to be made with Falkirk Council/Network Rail re the responsibility for removal of litter in the area at the green box at Larbert Station opposite the Station Store	YW	E-mail sent to <a href="mailto:waste.services@falkirk.gov.uk">waste.services@falkirk.gov.uk</a> on 26/8/2017	Awaiting response
8	Report for microgrant fund and request for next tranche of funding to be made to Foundation Scotland	YW/CH	Still to be done – draft started	To be completed
9	Contact to be made with roads to ask if the road at Sainsbury's in Kinnaird can be reassessed for a permanent crossing point. Councillors Murtagh and Bouse to explore further.	YW/Councillors	Update to be sought from Councillors at August meeting	Zebra crossing has been investigated. Residents have now had a response that it is not feasible or an appropriate place for a permanent crossing.
10	Response from Falkirk Council to be forwarded to resident for	YW	YW cannot find resident's e-mail address	YW to check with Stenhousemuir Football Club. <b>Action 11.</b>

	Sycamore Tree on land near Tryst Road			
11	Naming of path in Stenhousemuir – contact to be made with school	YW	YW e-mailed school before term end. No response received	Project to be chased up. <b>Action 12.</b>
12	FVRH – Bus shelter incident – update to be sought from NHS Forth Valley	YW	YW e-mailed Mark Craske 26/8/2017	Awaiting response
13	Resident to forward YW information on Scottish Ambulance Service and further research to be carried out on Defibrillators	YW/CH	Resident forwarded e-mail and YW e-mailed 26/8/2017. A further resident advised all GP practices now have them in Forth Valley	Discussed under matters from the floor.
14	LSTCC to take stand at Love the Lido Event on 19 <sup>th</sup> August	YW/CH/EA & Others	YW/EA/CH attended the event. 500 leaflets on the CC also produced for the event	There was discussion about approaches to set-up a gala day for the area.  A resident in attendance advised that they were looking at an event on 17 <sup>th</sup> June next year and had met with Falkirk Council to discuss plans. They have submitted paperwork for a license for the event.  It was noted that there appears to be 2 groups working to form a local gala day next year. Need to come together
15	Cllr Bouse to look into the issue of representations not appearing to be counted on	Cllr Bouse	Carried forward from June meeting	Cllr Bouse advised that the issues have now been resolved and that every

	Falkirk Council's e-planning site			comment (+ve and -ve) is accounted and reflected.
16	Third Sector Impact Survey 2017 – CVS Falkirk – to be completed and submitted	CH	Action completed	No further action
17	Discussion to take place with ASDA re proposed ATM machines in light of RBS closure	YW	E-Mail sent to ASDA 26/8/2017	Awaiting response
18	Letter to be sent to relevant bodies over issue of sewage in ponds in Kinnaird	YW	Letter sent to Rhona Geisler raising concern – advised not remit of Falkirk Council. Matter taken up by Cllr Bouse and correspondence now received that Persimmon and Cala are taking investigation and remedial works forward	Awaiting notification works completed.
19	Response to be sent to Antonshill Residents Association in relation to no.7 bus service	YW	E-mail sent 26/8/2017	Agreed to keep in touch re developments.
20	Check with planning re houses at Inches Farm	CH	Noted	No further action required.

## 10. Reports

### 10a. Correspondence Report

- The following items of correspondence received were discussed. A report showing all correspondence received and issued was circulated in advance of the meeting.

Date of Item	Item	Action Taken/Required
26/6/2017	Falkirk Community Trust – Update on pitch works – received at 10pm so too late for discussion at June meeting	<p>YW had received the following update from Falkirk Community Trust (FCT)</p> <p>Stewartfield – Goals are on order and will be put up over the summer along with other scheduled areas. The holes are after the work and we will have them filled in. There appears to have been some digging going on and a little fire damage also.</p> <p>Russell Park – The park has been cut and will be cut and lifted another few times. The ground is now level and a greater area has been made available to site a pitch. We will have the pitch area spiked and rolled to ensure</p>

		<p>it is in a good condition. The goals will be up for the start of the season.</p> <p>Lido – New lightweight goals will be in place for the start of the season. Funding was sought for these that was not part of the Section 75. SHM have not been charged for their season permit and were accommodated elsewhere where they had lets. FCT look forward to having them home at the start of this season.</p> <p>SHM Sports Centre – The drainage works here have been a success in drying out the pitch. Having settled, it will now be spiked and rolled for the start of the season.</p> <p>Stirling Road – The area of work has created the space to install 2 pitches to alleviate the demand on the others when required.</p>
28/6/2017	Resident by e-mail to Cllr Coleman with LSTCC cc'd in re state of the virgin works in Kinnaird asking what more can be done	<p>Damage to pavements was discussed. Cllr Bouse advised he has met with residents and the roads dept. and contractor. Damage is on either side. Falkirk Council will do a walk round – evidence will go to Virgin to bring up to legislation standards.</p> <p>Issues also noted with location of vehicle and equipment storage by Virgin Media.</p>
30/6/2017	Police Scotland on You Tube – video of the multi-agency work being undertaken re anti-social behavior in Kinnaird - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uMolt_gKCvA&amp;feature=youtu.be">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uMolt_gKCvA&amp;feature=youtu.be</a>	Noted
3/7/2017	Resident - north side of Bellsdyke road - between the railway bridge and the call Centre is very overgrown. Wants LSTCC to report to owners	Discussed under Matters from the Floor
4/7/2017	Falkirk Council – outcome of planning review committee for Planning applications P/13/0509 – 516 & 514 – Land to the South-East of Byways, Glen Road, Torwood – planning applications approved subject to conditions	Noted – POR advised the Woodland Group is considering next steps.
4/7/2017	NHS Forth Valley – Wheely Wednesdays <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recyke a Bike will be at FVRH rear staff entrance between 1-3pm on 12/26 July; 9/23 August; 6/20 September; 4/18 October; 1 November. They will be there to carry out free basic bike checks.</li> <li>• Stirling Cycle Hub will be at FVRH on the following dates from 9am - 2.00pm. 12 July / 9 August / 6 September / 4 October and they will do led cycles as well at 1215pm from main entrance to FVRH</li> </ul>	Being circulated on FB
10/7/2017	The Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) are running a survey for members of the public who are annoyed by aviation noise to tell the CAA which issues they feel should be prioritised when it comes to acting to reduce noise. The CAA are keen to understand what communities think they should be doing as they develop their work programme. <a href="https://consultations.caa.co.uk/policy-development/aviation-noise-impacts/">https://consultations.caa.co.uk/policy-development/aviation-noise-impacts/</a> - closes 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	Noted

12/7/2017	Information on new Lions Volunteer Club which has been established in the area	Noted
13/7/2017	Resident – copy of letter submitted objecting to proposals for extension of Kinnaird Primary School plus comments from other residents on Facebook	CH to review the letter and circulate comments.  A resident also raised concerns at the meeting over carparking and how deliveries will get in. The Councillors advised this would be satisfied by planning controls.
13/7/2017	Resident on FB – issue with noisy racing cars in evenings around Stirling Road/Lochlands Loan area. Has raised with Police	Discussed under Police Report
18/7/2017	Community Chartering – seeking response to previous e-mail re concerns raised by LSTCC	EA to respond. <b>ACTION 13</b>
23/7/2017	Speeding in Inches/Kinnaird and request for 20 speed limit or other measures	Discussed under Police Report
26/7/2017	Resident on FB - Concerned about the number of cars travelling across the Tryst "Fairground" to access Stenhousemuir Football Club. High speed parents, crossing ground where kids play and dogs can have a run	Discussed and noted. Watching brief in case there is further evidence of issues.
26/7/2017 & 20/7/2017	Larbert Station Gardens – residents interested in working with a group or volunteers to maintain the gardens. Also interested in the clean-up proposals from June Meeting	Discussed under matters from the floor
31/7/2017	Facebook – resident comments on ongoing issues to pavements and surrounds by virgin cable installation. Cllr Bouse investigation	Discussed above
31/7/2017	Ongoing issues on Facebook over overflowing bins (esp. with dog poo in children's play parks notably Rankin Dr), ownership of bins (i.e. factor or FC) and lack of bins in Kinnaird esp. Hamilton Road. Cllr Murtagh investigating.	Cllr Murtagh advised that there is a map of all adopted roads and what is private. This will also identify areas where it is the factors responsibility. Cllr Murtagh advised residents must speak to the factors and put pressure on them. Cllr Murtagh is also speaking to Falkirk Council about additional bins in the area incl Hamilton Road.
1/8/2017	Falkirk Council - Falkirk Council is seeking volunteers to establish a new Licensing Forum to shape the future of licensing in the area. The Licensing Forum will help shape the policies that affect alcohol licensing decisions locally.	Nominations by 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept. Info also posted on FB, Twitter and Instagram
4/8/2017	Invitation to Scottish Water Annual Consultative Meeting - Stirling on Tuesday 29th August, 515pm at Stirling Highland Hotel	Noted
5/8/2017 & 27/7/2017	Residents on FB – more photos of damaged windows on James St Scout Hall. Now damaged twice – fundraiser also in place	Discussed under Police Report
11/8/2017	Resident on FB – wishing to provide information for the Forth Valley Recovery Community project for people with addictions. Also advising there is a new café in Stenhousemuir for the project and a food larder in Manor Street open Mon-Fri operated by Forth Valley Community Focus	Noted
11/8/2017	Cllr Bouse – Update on sewage issues in Kinnaird – the consortium is undertaking investigations and rectifying	Information posted on FB
23/8/2017	Consultation on the role of the Scottish Health Council: Strengthening people's voices in health and social care - <a href="http://www.healthcareimprovementscotland.org/previous-resources/policy-and-strategy/shc-role-consultation.aspx">http://www.healthcareimprovementscotland.org/previous-resources/policy-and-strategy/shc-role-consultation.aspx</a> Closing Date 20th October	JC to consider. <b>Action 14</b>
23/8/2017	NHS Forth Valley - Cycle Festival at Forth Valley Royal Hospital - Sunday 3rd September – 10am-2pm	Advertised

23/8/2017 & 17/8/2017	Communities Along the Carron Association 7th AGM + Celebration Event – 31 <sup>st</sup> August 630-830pm at Larbert High	Noted
23/8/2017	Falkirk Council - Consultation on Proposed Permanent Relocation of Mariner Support Service from Weddingshall and Transfer of all Staff and Pupils to Laurieston Campus - <a href="https://say.falkirk.gov.uk/childrens-services/relocation-of-mariner-support-service/consultation/intro/">https://say.falkirk.gov.uk/childrens-services/relocation-of-mariner-support-service/consultation/intro/</a> - Deadline: 6 October 2017	Noted – no representation
23 & 25/8/2017	Residents – 2 approaches from groups interested in re-establishing a local gala day	Discussed under matters arising
25/8/2017	Scottish Health Council on behalf of Scottish Government - Charter of Patient Rights and Responsibilities: <a href="http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0040/00407723.pdf">http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0040/00407723.pdf</a> – Survey to see if it should be reviewed - <a href="https://kwiksurveys.com/s/9e1qgQN">https://kwiksurveys.com/s/9e1qgQN</a> - Deadline 22nd Sept	JC to consider. <b>Action 15</b>
26/8/2017	Resident on FB – concern that the pedestrian crossing at the Kirk avenue lights has been disabled which is proving dangerous for the kids to cross.	LSTCC and Cllrs to take up. <b>Action 16.</b>  Also noted there are issues with lines not being painted at Stenhousemuir Primary school. Also, to be raised
26/8/2017	Resident raising issues re speeding on Muirhall Road	Discussed under Police Report

## 10.b Treasurer's Report

- Bank details to be checked by EA. **Action 17.**
- YW to check with Falkirk Council over what reports and accounts are required. **Action 18.**

## 10.c Planning Report

- CH circulated the planning report. CH advised the key points to note/discuss from new applications:
  - Early years campus for Kinnaird Primary – CH will review comments received by the Community Council from residents and circulate information.
  - Change of use of shop to flatted dwelling - McLachlan Street. This was noted. No issues raised.
  - Variation of permission of access from temporary to permanent - Land North West of Woodside Glen Road, Torwood. This was noted. No issues raised.
- CH advised of key points to note/discuss from decided applications:
  - Gladman application for new houses at Stirling Road - Falkirk Council have approved modification of obligation meaning they could now apply for planning permission.
  - The holiday pods at Kersebrock Farm have been approved.
  - Planning permission for houses on the land south of The Bungalows has been refused in principle.

#### **10.d Other Reports**

- Ineos – EA represents LSTCC on the INEOS community liaison group. EA has received a letter in relation to the planning application for the closure of Bo'ness Road. Ineos has appealed to the Scottish Government on the grounds of non-determination from Falkirk Council. It was advised that Falkirk Council now needs to have a Council meeting to give a view to the Scottish Government on the planning application.
- Ineos – EA provided an update on plans for a new energy plant to provide contingency steam. A pre-application notice has been submitted to Falkirk Council to start the planning process. Public meetings are being held on 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> August.

#### **11. AOCB**

- A resident advised there had been anti-social behaviour issues related to fire raising in gardens near to the road up to the Inches Farm. This had been raised with Falkirk Council and the matter was responded to very quickly.

#### **12. Date of Next Meeting – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2017 - AGM**