**Kirkliston Community Council**

**30 - 04 - 24**

1. **Present –** D. Buchanan, N. Davidson, A. McKay, P. Vaughan, S. Lee, J. Richardson, A. Hancock, R. Bentley, Cllr. L. Younie and one member of the public

1. **Apologies –** A. Rothney, S-A. Hunter, S. Wilson, Police
2. **D. Buchanan** pointed out that **KCC** is not quorate this evening, and that means that any decisions taken are not binding; Previous Minutes cannot be ratified, but have been noted as a true reflection of the meeting in March. **D. Buchanan** further pointed out his disappointment in the lack of Community Council members in attendance, both at this meeting and on previous occasions, and also, the need for more **Council** members. **Cllr. L. Younie** will add this to the next Lib. Dem Newsletter; **S. Lee** will do so on the Facebook page and **A. Rothney** to be asked to place the request on the Cheesetown page.
3. **Matters Arising –**

* Section regarding the Police Report under K.P.S.A. heading to be removed
* Section 75 money has been tracked - £32000 available to be used in the Pikes Pool/Path Brae area

1. **Police Report –**

* Officers have been out with the Speed Gun, focussing on roads where the majority of complaints have been received
* Efforts to be concentrated around schools, addressing issues of road safety
* A.S.B. Youth Disorder – glass bottles thrown in the area of Pikes Pool Drive – nobody traced
* Regular hotspots are patrolled to deter anti-social behaviour

1. **Friends of Pikes Pool –**

* This group is disbanding – **KCCV** has been approached to take it over
* It is hoped that what funding the group has can be transferred to **KCCV**, once the fund-givers have been asked to approve this
* Progression is being made regarding the boundary wall with Millars

1. **G.T.R.A. –**

* The Hub will close tomorrow due to rising costs
* **P. Vaughan** is looking into information regarding a diesel generator and will approach the Airport Funding Committee
* **D. Buchanan** will speak with M. Leighton of CEC re possible finance as nobody wants to see the children being disadvantaged
* **P. Vaughan and D. Buchanan** meeting with **G. Norwell**

1. **Scouts –**

* **New leaders for Monday’s groups,** but still struggling to get other volunteers
* Gala preparation is ongoing
* Group Company is planning for Fordell Camp

1. **K.C.C.V. –**

* No potter and pick this year, but three people have taken on a raised bed each to make use of them
* **Plants** for the planters have been ordered and it is hoped to get the plants in by 12th May
* Litter Pick on Sunday went well; the next one will be 2nd June to have the Main Street looking tidy for the Gala
* **Guides** are digging over the wild flower patch
* **CEC Nursery** has given funding for plants opposite it on Queensferry Road

1. **K.P.S.A. –**

* Meeting again on 13th May
* **Funds** are being allocated at that meeting e.g. for books, I.T., playground and outings
* **D. Buchanan** suggested the K.P.S.A. apply to the Rotary Club of South Queensferry for funding towards school trips
* **P1 will move into the new Early Years Centre in August**
* Safe Routes to School – low level of response to the problem and has been taken further up the chain
* Scouts have helped with a clear-out of the burn
* Stirling Road – **Cllr. L. Young and D. Sinclair** will meet on-site with **Community Council** to discuss the railings on the south side

1. **Kirkliston Heritage –**

* **A.G.M.** held on 30th March; **A. Rothney** remains in the Chair
* Recipe Book on hold – pursuing funding
* **Village Signage** – an application has been sent; it is hoped to gain a brown sign re the seat of the first Scottish Parliament
* **Contacted Ratho Foundry** re a special sign for the Church Square
* **Gala Centenary Celebrations** – a Display was held of past Galas in the Community Centre and excellent feedback was received; leaflets describing a Village Walk have been produced
* **H.E.S**. has had a look at the Community Centre and it is hoped it will become a listed building; **K.C.C.** could make positive comments on the portal to support the bid
* Joining various societies e.g. **Scottish Antiquary Society**

1. **Secretary’s Report –**

* Bus Gate – 23rd September 2013 to 1st April 2024, 22057 vehicles at a cost of £666710; from 25th February 2024 to 1st April 2024, 111 vehicles at a cost of £3330
* Caithness slabs at the Main Junction to be completed by end of May
* Double yellow lines at primary school will not be done until much later in the year, as an out-of-date drawing had been used initially
* **Trees at Foxhall Gait** – concerned about the number of trees lost in this area; at Conifox, many have been lost – **R. Bentley to send details to Cllr. L. Younie** who will look into the planning permission for this to have happened.

1. **Treasurer’s Report –**

* K.C.C. Current Account - £578.40
* Developers’ Account - £10353

1. **Councillor’s Report –**

* Most points have been covered during the meeting
* **Landowners are in discussion with CEC** re land for the new High School without the addition of housing
* **Breakfast Clubs** – any information about them, please pass on to Cllr. L. Younie, as he is working on this issue which needs much improvement

1. **Planning Report – please see**
2. **Appointment of Secretary – N. Davidson** is stepping down as Secretary to K.C.C. after 14 years in the post. **D. Buchanan** spoke appreciatively about the work **N. Davidson** has done over the years in his service to Kirkliston. Sincere thanks were expressed.

A replacement is now required. **Cllr. L. Younie** will include this in his party’s Newsletter.

1. **Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 28th May; 7.00pm; Kirkliston Library**