

## MINUTES OF A TYNRON COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

held in Tynron Parish Hall on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 p.m.

Committee members present: George, Janet, Eunice, Phil, Jane, Madge, Colin, Rona, Sue K-S.

Members of the public: Mary, Sophie, Christopher, Alex, Sue C-T, Mary, Linda.

Apologies: none

Minutes approved: for May meeting (Madge proposed, Sue K-S seconded) and for July meeting (Janet proposed, Phil seconded)

Statistical Account: George congratulated all who have produced it. **Sue K-S will print it off along with the Newsletter and send a copy to the Ewart Library.**

Tynron Gala: This was cancelled owing to the sad and untimely death of Kevin Bailey. For tributes, see the Newsletter.

Hallowe'en Ceilidh: to be held 3 November. Phil has contacted the Fire department and Association of Community Councils about feasibility of a bonfire: no response as yet. **Phil will contact the Backroom Band and confirm that the ceilidh is to be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> not the 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

Website: George read out Simon Dale's specification. It was thought that there was not enough going on in Tynron to warrant the spending of £600 on this design. Discussion included the possibility of going in with the Moniaive website, building our own with Beebo, and investing in a cheaper software package with which the young could build a website. Local experts (Mary, Madge, Rona, etc.) would be consulted about this.

Streetlights: Rona has conducted an informal survey as requested, and the consensus is that, in the interests of security and safety, no streetlights are to be turned off.

Buying the field: George has investigated prices and it seems £12,500 would be needed. Options were discussed, such as renting part of the field for a play-area from Hugh and Madge, or buying the field and renting it back to them. Little was decided, except to shelve the matter for 6 months and to establish that **Hugh and Madge would give the TCC first refusal if they decide to sell the field.**

Youth: It was noted that Alex and Sophie were present.

Water-trough: Feelings ran high. Fraser will be spoken to again: **by Mary.**

Children's Hallowe'en Party: Wed 31 October, 6-9pm. Appleducking, whack the bat, Frances's throwing games, fancy-dress etc. **Phil to ask Gill Dykes to be judge.** Sweets as prizes. Food: hot dogs, mashed potatoes with cheese, eyeballs, jellies with ghouls, multi-coloured juice, etc: **ladies to confer. CD player needed.**

Christmas Lights: 9 December, 5.30. **Punch and mince pies**, singing. **George to ask John, Colin to ask Emily.**

Police Matters: Peter not present.

Secretary's Report: A planning application has been submitted by Hillhead Cottage. To help publicise such information it was agreed that, in addition to giving helpful alerts to the relevant people, **Janet would post a small notice of planning applications on the noticeboard.**

Geoff and Muriel are worried about 1 Kirk Cottages, advertised as having the possibility of development in the garden. It was decided that this was an unfoundedly hopeful advert, as the garden is protected by the conservation area scheme.

Treasurer's Report: Eunice reported that the amount in the account is still around £6,000.

Hall Report (Phil):

- The application for maintenance funding (for repairing the back wall) was successful (£1400), probably owing to lobbying by Gill whom Phil has thanked. Work was supposed to begin last week but the weather was too wet.
- The Hall has joined the Federation of Halls which may offer insurance at reduced premium.
- Tabletop sale (22 September) made £91.
- Frances has re-started Dancercise; bowls will start again next month.
- Tearcraft soup&roll morning: Sun 11 November.

AOCB:

- The litterpick date would be settled for sometime in the spring.
- Colin asked for an outside light on a sensor at the Hall door. **Phil will see to this.**
- Eunice pointed out that there is a lot of water on the road near Stenhouse. Colin explained how it had come about.
- Janet said there is a problem with the memorial: **George will see to it**
- Possibility of a swing in the Memorial garden: even if made of nice materials, probably still distasteful.

The meeting ended with the usual coffee and biscuits.

The next meeting will be on 26<sup>th</sup> November.

Key to names:

Alex = Alex Collins-Taylor  
Arch = Arch Courage  
Christopher = Christopher Craig  
Colin = Colin Forsyth  
DGC = Dumfries & Galloway Council  
DGAA = Dumfries & Galloway Arts Association  
Emily = Emily Smith  
Eunice = Eunice Laidlaw  
Frances = Frances Forsyth  
Fraser = Fraser Dykes  
Geoff = Geoff Harland  
George = George Freeborn  
Gill = Gill Dykes  
Helen = Helen White  
Hugh = Hugh Rorison  
Jane = Jane Blair  
Janet = Janet Davies  
John = John Cowdery  
Jonny = Jonny Blair  
Linda = Linda Macdonald  
Madge = Madge Rorison  
Margaret = Margaret Irving  
Mary = Mary Newbould  
Peter = Peter Bryden  
Phil = Phil Armstrong  
Rolf = Rolf Buwert  
Rona = Rona Dent  
Sophie = Sophie Armstrong  
Sue C-T = Sue Collins-Taylor  
Sue K-S = Sue King-Smith  
TCC = Tynron Community Council  
Terry = Terry Kirkton