Riverside Community Council Public Meeting Minutes Riverside Primary School Date: 28th February 2024

Members Present	In Attendance	Apologies
Joan Murphy	Di Alderdice	Parvin Morrissey
Fiona Dyet	Andrew Fraser	Bob Dale
Jude Treliving	Chara Parraco	Carol Robertson
Fiona Berrow	Cllr Nunn	Ashleigh Phillips
	Max Hislop	Lorna Smith

6 residents

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1. Welcome	
Joan Murphy welcomed everyone to Riverside Primary School (RPS).	
2. Treelink	
Max Hislop gave a presentation about the aims and ambitions of	
Treelink:	
Treelink is a community-based, volunteer-run charity aiming to	
increase the quantity and quality of trees in the Stirling area. This	
involves planting trees, managing forested areas and dealing with	
non-native species.	
More information for residents to get involved is available at	
www.treelinkstirling.org	
3. Declarations of Interest	
No Declaration of Interest was recorded.	
4. Approval of Previous Minutes	
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Minutes for August adopted. Fiona Berrow proposed; Fiona Dyet seconded. 5. Matters Arising from previous minutes not to be addressed within the meeting.	
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1. No Person May:

Allow a dog, other than a guide dog, or any other animal in their care to enter the safety surface zone around children's play equipment.

2. No Person May:

Allow a dog, other than a guide dog, or any other animal in their care to enter a prepared sports surface e.g. multi use games area (muga).

3. Vehicles:

Persons must not bring or drive any motor vehicle including go-karts and quad bikes or any other wind or mechanically propelled vehicle including radio controlled craft or apparatus or any motor homes, caravans or trailers into a park without the prior written consent of the Council. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing contained in this clause shall prevent the use of personal disabled transport within the park.

Of the 12 people present who were voting, the response was:

Question 1: 11 voted to agree

Question 2: 11 voted to agree

There was discussion about whether dogs should be walked in playparks as at all, regardless of being on-lead or not, and whether dogs should be allowed in school playgrounds. Question 3: a vote did not occur as the attendees felt the question was badly worded and confusing.

b. Secretary:

Police Report: Three cases: one of domestic abuse, one of minor drug use and one involving the river. There were 15 calls that received cards but did not require call outs.

Polmaise: The tip at Polmaise now can take mattresses and hard plastics. There is also now a facility to donate good quality furniture to Transition Stirling at the tip, as well as return walking aids to be refurbished by NHS Forth Valley. Cllr Nunn clarified that the 12 visits per annum limit to the tip does not apply to personal cars of residents.

Insurance: the new tools from the Old Harbour Wood need to be added to the insurance.

Dunblane Community Council (DCC): There was a discussion about whether RCC should commend a letter written by DCC to Stirling Council concerning the proposed budget. The letter was commended by RCC and added to the website.

Stephen Bly

Fiona Dyet to action this

Community Advisory Group: Stirling Council is looking to set up a group to work with the Council regarding the Forthside Plan.

Causewayhead Road: Causewayhead Road will be closed southbound from 18/03/24 until 15/04/24.

c. Treasurer

Income

We received a £600 seed grant from Forth Environment Link. This will be used to plant/maintain the Community Council planters around Riverside.

Expenditure

£216.88 was spent on equipment and tools for the Old Harbour Woods project.

7. Sub-Groups

a. Environment:

Gritting: The gritting equipment has been acquired and grit bins are to be delivered soon.

Treelink: Stirling Council have agreed to the trees proposed at the last RCC meeting. Stirling Council have requested Treelink fund and plant the trees, which will likely not be until November.

Planters: RCC is looking for volunteers for maintaining planters around Riverside. There were suggestions that the planters could be filled with perennials rather than annuals and that the grant money could be used to fund a way to water the planters.

Spring Clean Scotland: From 15/03/24 to 28/04/24. RCC holds the litter picking equipment for Stirling, so is likely to be used during this time.

- b. **Parking**: Joan Murphy is still pursuing information about the zebra crossings and School Streets before every meeting, but information has not been forthcoming. Cllr Nunn agreed to follow this up.
- c. Old Harbour Woods (OHW): It is unclear whether the work will continue going forward in the OHW due to proposed Stirling Council cuts and lack of available rangers. There will be a group meeting to do some clearing on Saturday 2nd March from 10:30-13:30.

8. OAB

Shore Road Crossing: Joan Murphy raised concerns about the junction between Shore Road and Goosecroft Road, particularly regarding the lights, pedestrian crossing and cycle lane. There

- Bob Dale to check the grant conditions in case money needs spent before end of March
- Di Alderdice to organise a litter picking time for Riverside

- Joan Murphy to email Cllr Nunn

was a general discontent raised about the junction and the following issues were raised:

- the buttons are unclear for pedestrians and complicated to interpret
- the crossings do not automatically make a sound to alert pedestrians, and the buzzer is hard to make sound if needed
- the angles of the green man make it hard for pedestrians to see
- the crossing time is not sufficiently long to cross the road
- the waiting time appears longer than previously between pedestrian phases
- the cycle path is often covered in large puddles, particularly where the cycle path meets Shore Road, and there is no drainage There was also a significant concern about the safety of cyclists using the cycle lane, as the traffic lights for bikes is out of phase and encourages cyclists to cross Shore Road when, in fact, cars have right of way.

Cllr Nunn to ask officers for a site meeting; Jude Treliving and Joan Murphy to join.

Lovers Walk Underpass: A resident highlighted that buses, motorhomes and HGVs regularly cause congestion at the underpass as they are unable to get under the bridge, but there is no signage warning drivers.

- Fiona Dyet to email

Next meeting: Wednesday, 27th March 2024. Venue: RPS.