

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

Members Present

Joan Murphy
 Fiona Dyet
 Jude Treliving
 Fiona Berrow

In Attendance

Di Alderdice
 Andrew Fraser
 Chara Parraco
 Cllr Nunn
 Max Hislop
 6 residents

Apologies

Parvin Morrissey
 Bob Dale
 Carol Robertson
 Ashleigh Phillips
 Lorna Smith

Minutes	Actions
<p>1. Welcome</p> <p>Joan Murphy welcomed everyone to Riverside Primary School (RPS).</p>	
<p>2. Treelink</p> <p>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</p>	
<p>3. Declarations of Interest</p> <p>No Declaration of Interest was recorded.</p>	
<p>4. Approval of Previous Minutes</p> <p>Minutes for August adopted. Fiona Berrow proposed; Fiona Dyet seconded.</p>	
<p>5. Matters Arising from previous minutes not to be addressed within the meeting</p> <p>Everything will be addressed below.</p>	
<p>6. Reports</p> <p>a. Chair</p> <p>Lovers Walk Noticeboard: This new noticeboard had been damaged in a recent storm but has now been fixed. Riverside Community Council (RCC) has again not been charged for this fix, so there is still money in the noticeboard fund.</p> <p>Park Management Rules Consultation: RCC has received a letter from Stirling Council regarding potential rule changes in playparks as there have been reports of children being alarmed by barking dogs which are off-lead.</p>	<p>- Fiona Berrow to look into returning the last amounts of Noticeboard fund</p> <p>JM to complete questionnaire and return it to Council with CC to</p>

<p>Community Advisory Group: Stirling Council is looking to set up a group to work with the Council regarding the Forthside Plan.</p> <p>Causewayhead Road: Causewayhead Road will be closed southbound from 18/03/24 until 15/04/24.</p> <p>c. Treasurer</p> <p><u>Income</u> We received a £600 seed grant from Forth Environment Link. This will be used to plant/maintain the Community Council planters around Riverside.</p> <p><u>Expenditure</u> £216.88 was spent on equipment and tools for the Old Harbour Woods project.</p>	
<p>7. Sub-Groups</p> <p>a. Environment:</p> <p>Gritting: The gritting equipment has been acquired and grit bins are to be delivered soon.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>- Bob Dale to check the grant conditions in case money needs spent before end of March</p> <p>- Di Alderdice to organise a litter picking time for Riverside</p>
<p>8. OAB</p> <p>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</p>	<p>- Joan Murphy to email Cllr Nunn</p>

<p>was a general discontent raised about the junction and the following issues were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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 <p>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.</p> <p>Cllr Nunn to ask officers for a site meeting; Jude Treliving and Joan Murphy to join.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>- Fiona Dyet to email</p>
<p>Next meeting: Wednesday, 27th March 2024. Venue: RPS.</p>	