

**Riverside Community Council Public Meeting Minutes**  
**Riverside Bowling Club**  
**Date: 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Members Present**

Joan Murphy  
 Fiona Dyet  
 Ashleigh Phillip  
 Fiona Berrow  
 Jude Treliving

**In Attendance**

Lorna Smith  
 Andrew Fraser  
 Chara Parraco  
 Cllr Gill  
 6 residents  
 PCs Hunter and Gray

**Apologies**

Parvin Morrissey  
 Bob Dale  
 Carol Robertson  
 Di Alderdice

Minutes	Actions
<p><b>1. Welcome</b></p> <p>Joan Murphy welcomed everyone to Riverside Bowling Club. Lorna Smith introduced as new Associate RCC member for accessibility.</p>	
<p><b>2. Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>No Declaration of Interest was recorded.</p>	
<p><b>3. Approval of Previous Minutes</b></p> <p>Minutes for August adopted. Fiona Berrow proposed; Ashleigh Phillip seconded.</p>	
<p><b>4. Matters Arising from previous minutes not to be addressed within the meeting</b></p> <p><b>Travel and Sustainable Transport/Parking:</b> There has been no update from Cllr Gibson regarding the zebra crossings or safety for bus passengers</p>	
<p><b>5. Reports</b></p> <p><b>a. Chair</b>  <b>Venue:</b> There has been considerable hassle in securing a place for this September meeting and the October meeting, as Riverside Primary School (RPS) is unavailable for those dates and Stirling Council doesn't pay for non-council buildings. Thanks to Cllr Nunn for her help with booking issues. It was asked whether the RPS Polling Station room could be made into a 'bookable space' as meeting in the main school hall often isn't ideal.</p> <p><b>Noticeboard:</b> The greenery around the Lovers' Walk Noticeboard has been confirmed: a Holly Tree. Second set of keys no longer need to be cut.</p> <p><b>Website:</b> Thanks for Pat Morrissey for his work on slimming down and simplifying the RCC website</p>	<p>- confirm meeting space for October meeting          - inquire re the RPS Polling Station room</p> <p>- Parvin to collect tree, and confirm whether one or two trees will be installed</p>

<p>(<a href="http://www.riversidecommunitycouncil.co.uk">www.riversidecommunitycouncil.co.uk</a>). Suggestion to collect and add a different photograph of Riverside per month, or perhaps a recipe.</p> <p><b>b. Secretary:</b>  <b>Abbey Road:</b> The entrance to the passageway from Abbey Road into Cooperage Quay has been closed, with work to secure the gable wall attached to the newsagent starting in the next week.</p> <p><b>Abbey Road Market:</b> Request to develop the space into an area for small businesses or light industry. Planning Application is available on Stirling Council's Planning website, reference number 23/00474/FUL. Questions as to construction hours, operation hours and noise in a residential area all raised.</p> <p><b>Engine Shed:</b> The Engine Shed has been closed since COVID, but was open for recent Doors Open Day. There do not seem to be plans to open it to the public more broadly again.</p> <p><b>Winter Watch:</b> Grit bins will be provided locally, as will grit, for the coming winter.</p> <p><b>Abbey Road Chargers:</b> The EV chargers on Abbey Road are to be operational within the next 3 weeks.</p> <p><b>Police Report:</b> There was no Police report this meeting, but with PCs Hunter and Gray present, there was a long discussion about anti-social behaviour and what residents should do when they see it happening. They suggested trying the 'Contact Us' on the Police Scotland website (<a href="https://www.scotland.police.uk/secureforms/contact/">https://www.scotland.police.uk/secureforms/contact/</a>) instead of calling 101 for non-urgent issues.</p> <p><b>c. Treasurer</b>  <b>Income:</b> No income was received this month. We have not yet received our administration grant (for 2023-24).</p> <p><b>Expenditure:</b> We used notice boards funds to buy black ink (£20.52), colour ink (£21.00) and paper and hooks (£9.75) to enable us to print community council information, posters etc. and display them on our new and existing notice boards.</p> <p><b>Upcoming expenses:</b> There is £398.71 remaining of our notice boards funding which will be used to purchase plants to screen the back of the new notice board and materials for notices</p>	<p>Ask community for photos</p>
<p><b>6. Sub-Groups</b></p>	

<p><b>a. Active Travel:</b>  <b>NCN:</b> Changes proposed by Council at the Cambuskenneth bridge to allow non-standard bikes to cross.</p> <p><b>Fix My Street App:</b> For reporting potholes, parking issues, graffiti to Stirling Council. Streamlines reporting issues, while making it easier to include photos.</p> <p><b>Cycle Share:</b> Application to Cycling UK's 'Shared Cycles Fund' for funding to purchase one or more cycles of various kinds. Potential for applying for a cargo bike, and perhaps also storage.</p> <p><b>b. Environment:</b> Old Harbour Woods application submitted for Community Pride funding to purchase tools.</p> <p><b>c. Defibrillators:</b> RCC has been given two defibrillators which need new pads and batteries. They could be offered to other local clubs or groups.</p> <p><b>d. Advent Windows:</b> There are only 10 dates for the coming Advent currently unfilled.</p> <p><b>e. Parking:</b> There has been no progress regarding Parking/Green space, despite emails to the Stirling Councillors and Stephen Bly. Email from Michaela Jackson did not clarify any progress. Lorna Smith suggested that in further correspondence with Stirling Council the primary emphasis should be on safety for residents. PC Gray asked regarding traffic calming measures. Question as to whether a combined effort between Causewayhead, Riverside and Cambuskenneth Community Councils might have more luck.</p>	<p>- Fiona Dyet to ask Stephen Bly to ask other CCs if they would use them</p> <p>- contact Causewayhead and Cambuskenneth CCs?  - restarting the Parking Sub-Group?</p>
<p><b>7. Local Groups</b></p> <p><b>a. Riverside Naturally:</b> Plans to lower the bee bed at the Community Orchard given tentative green light by Stirling Council. Have had successful volunteer sessions, including the planting of a Scots Pine and Aspen. Orchard Day has been postponed until 4<sup>th</sup> November, with more details to follow.</p> <p><b>b. Fair Trade Ceilidh:</b> Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November in Bridge of Allan Parish Church. More info and tickets at: <a href="http://ticketsource.co.uk/fairtradestirling">ticketsource.co.uk/fairtradestirling</a> or on Riverside noticeboards.</p> <p><b>c. Craft Session:</b> Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2-5pm at the Lawn Bowling Club. All welcome.</p>	
<p><b>8. OAB</b>  Question as to how changes at Polmaise will impact those without cars looking to recycle larger items.</p>	<p>To be considered</p>
<p><b>9. Next meeting: Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October. Venue TBC.</b></p>	

