



COMMUNITY GREEN INITIATIVE  
Dunipace, Denny & District

**Meeting of Management Committee**  
**26 March 2015 7.00 – 9pm**  
**Reading Room, Dunipace Parish Church**

**Present**

**Tracy McNeil – chair**  
**Christine Bell - treasurer**  
**Donna Heaney**  
**Les Wallace**  
**John Watson**  
**Jean Weir- minutes**

**Apologies**

**Peter O'Donnell**  
**Graham Stirling**  
**Heather Stirling**

|            |   | <b>Action</b> |
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| <b>1.0</b> | <b>Welcome</b><br>Tracy welcomed all to the meeting.  |               |
| <b>2.0</b> | <b>Minutes &amp; Matters Arising from February Meeting</b>  |               |
| <b>2.1</b> | After minor amendments the February minutes were approved.  |               |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b>Treasurer's Report</b><br>The balance is £1988.37. This included the final payment of £1482.88 from FVL LEADER, Funders for the Park Project.  |               |
| <b>4.0</b> | <b>Membership</b><br>No new membership applications.  |               |
| <b>5.0</b> | <b>Correspondence</b>   |               |
| <b>5.1</b> | Keep Scotland Beautiful – CGI is registered in the It's Your Neighbourhood Scheme. JWE & TMcN are the CGI contacts. It was agreed that the KSB newsletter could be forwarded to committee members.  | <b>JWE</b>    |
| <b>5.2</b> | An application has been submitted to SCVO as part of the Celebrating Communities Award. CGI is grateful to Michael Matheson MSP for proposing a CGI application and Jim Blackwood for agreeing to be an independent verifier for the application.   |               |
| <b>5.3</b> | European Day of Parks –Theme Nature is OUR Business. It was agreed that we register again this year as part of the Gala Day 23 May. We were the only Scottish registration last year.   | <b>JWE</b>    |
| <b>6.0</b> | <b>Herbertshire Castle Park</b><br>The unsightly storage unit at the top park and the recycling containers at the car park were discussed. TMcN agreed to contact relevant people re the storage unit.<br>Awareness raising of the litter and dog fouling in the park was discussed. JWE & JW hoped to do a dog fouling survey w/b 30 March weather permitting. Damage to some young trees was mentioned.   | <b>TMcN</b>   |
| <b>7.0</b> | <b>Litter Picks</b>   |               |
| <b>7.1</b> | On 14 March CGI and CATCA joined forces for the Rosebank Community Woodland Cleanup and launch of the new path through the woodland - 16 people and 2 dogs helped with the cleanup. About 37 bags and flytipping materials were removed.<br>A dog fouling survey (flour put on the dog poo) was done by some young members of the community. At least 175 examples were recorded.<br>Within a week of the event notices were put up at the entrances to the area highlighting the work done. It is hoped that this publicity has a positive impact. |               |

**7.2** It is noted that the sign/post for Rosebank has gone. It is not clear if this will be replaced by FC.

**Litter Picks contd**

**7.3** Thanks to C & M Bell for doing a separate cleanup of the path area off Stirling Street.

**7.4** It was agreed that CGI would have another litter pick on Thursday 23 April instead of the formal committee meeting. Location R Carron paths/Winchester Ave 6-8pm.

**7.5** The annual Skinflats litter pick will be on 19 April.

**8.0 Gala Day**

It was agreed that CGI would be 'On the Move' during the Gala. We will focus on litter picking and GDW.

**9.0 Funding / Fundraising**

A suggestion was made that some of the KSB money could be used for equipment eg loppers and litter pickers. CB agreed to discuss first with FC Litter Strategy the possibility of CGI having its own equipment.

**CB**

**10.0 New Leaf News/Media/Publicity**

**10.1** CGI is grateful to Fraser Johnston and Christine Bell for working on The Spring Edition of New Leaf News commemorating Michelle. It is due to be completed in time for Michelle's Anniversary 18 April.

**CB**

JWE agreed to contact Tim Schreurs from Holland who had visited CGI in Spring 2013.

**JWE**

**10.2** The website is gradually being updated. Access to the CGI email account is in hand.

**11.0 Community Liaisons & Projects**

**11.1** The project to improve the entrance to Denny at Winchester Industrial Estate is ongoing. Improvements have already been made with the help of volunteers and Denny HS pupils. The repair of the wall is the priority over the next few weeks. CGI is grateful to local businesses especially Smiths, James Strang and Blueton, for their advice, support and practical help.

**11.2** CATCA – CBell gave an update of the recent projects. There is potential for the local area to benefit from possible future SNH Green Infrastructure Funding.

**12.0 AOB**

**12.1** Quiz night 10 April – CGI is hoping to have a Team. This is a fund raiser for the Gala. CGI congratulates the Denny & Dunipace Events Committee for all their hard work for the Gala and other events they have organised.

**12.2** A request has been made from Carronvale Tenants and Residents Association for information and volunteer support with regards to the repair needed to a section of the Milton Row Fireplace Wall. JWE agreed to liaise with Roy Bogle, to research information and seek insurance clarification from TCV and Denny & Dunipace Heritage Society.

**JWE**

**13.0 Dates to Note**

Earth Hour – 28 March 8.30pm

CGI meetings 23rd April Litter Pick, 28th May, 25th June