



COMMUNITY GREEN INITIATIVE  
Dunipace, Denny & District

**Meeting of Management Committee**  
**28<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014 Dunipace Church 7.00 – 9.00pm**  
**Minutes by Christine Bell**

**Those present**

**Christine Bell**  
**Tracy McNeil -Chair**  
**Peter O'Donnell**  
**Jean Weir**  
**John Watson**  
**Les Wallace**  
**Jessica Paterson - Falkirk Council - Guest**

**Apologies**

**Donna Heaney**  
**Graham Stirling**

	<b>Action</b>
<b>1.0 Welcome</b> Tracy opened the meeting and introduced Jessica who came to provide an update and discuss the Gala park.	
<b>2.0 Minutes</b> Previous meeting minutes were approved with no amendments necessary.	
<b>3.0 Treasurers Report</b> Balance on 2 <sup>nd</sup> July £2589.14 + £91.68 raised recently from Michelle's legacy. Gala Raffle raised £711 Tickets cost £61.19 £649.81 to be split between CGI, DDHS and DDCC (c. £216.60)	
<b>4.0 Correspondence</b> Previous membership application requiring parental consent not returned. Meeting agreed a letter of support was in order for Stonewood Care proposed project at Dunipace Jnrs location for a Community Hub.	<b>JWE</b>
<b>5.0 FC Raffle Licence</b> Meeting agreed we should apply for another licence this year. £20 Small Lottery renewal fee due 21 Sept Agreed that Treasurer's address be main CGI address. JWE to continue with necessary paperwork.	<b>JWE</b>
<b>6.0 AGM – Admin inc possible Amendment(s) to Constitution</b> Confirmed date is 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct 2014. Possible changes to the constitution were discussed. The AGM Agenda and any proposed amendments require to be notified 21 clear days before AGM. Minutes from last AGM to be finalised. CBell to arrange for accounts to be verified. Jean will email constitutional amendments for proposal. Final plans and arrangement tbc. Venue is Heritage Rooms	<b>JWE</b>
<b>7.0 NLN</b> All agreed next edition would be dedicated to Michelle. All members to submit whatever they want included to C Bell who has the template. No timeline of deadline, we will just produce it when we can. C Bell to check possible outstanding payments for ads in last/previous editions.	<b>All</b>  <b>CB</b>

## **8.0 Update on Michelle's Book**

Christine updated on the visit to Canterbury where she and Jenny went in Michelle's honour as she was due to be Creative Writing Director at the Warnborough College Conference. Visit went really well and all present at the conference appreciated the promotion and book reading from Michelle's Guardian of the Dark School.

Posters and promotional materials had to be printed for Michelle's book and all agreed this could be paid from CGI account given that Michelle was responsible for most of the funding applications over the years. Total bill is £65 inc vat. C Bell will arrange payment.

## **9.0 Halloween Litterpick**

Agreed this will be planned for 25<sup>th</sup> October in the Gala Park

## **10.0 Calendar of events**

Jean agreed to create an annual calendar for significant events for the year and will present it at next meeting.

## **11.0 Gala Park Update**

The CGI Access Path for Wheels project has been included in the Celebrating 100 Projects publication produced by Forth Valley & Lomond Leader. It is encouraging to see a number of local projects included.

The design of the Interpretation Panel aspect of the project is near completion. A time extension has been requested from LEADER.

## **12.0 Paths for All Case Study**

On 9 July JWE, DH, MMcD met in the park with a journalist and photographer from Paths for All as part of the information gathering for the proposed Case Study.

## **13.0 Denny PS Nursery**

In August JWE had been invited to join a group from FC and the Nursery to tour the park and discuss the proposal for it to be used for the nursery's outdoor learning programme. The park offers a lot of potential.

## **14.0 Funding/Fundraising**

Nothing to report

## **15.0 Core park funding budget**

Jessica confirmed that core park funding of £10K is remaining for Gala Park. A meeting is needed with all concerned to explore and confirm possibilities for this spend.

Peter mentioned the possibility of drones to fly round the park and publicise the park and the possibilities. The group were reminded of the Students' plans for the park on the CGI website. These should be revisited when making the master plan.

David Pugh is the new area officer for our park

## **16.0 Media / Publicity**

Nothing to report

## **17.0 Community Liaisons & Projects**

CATCA update - RSPB Nature of Scotland Award shortlist

C Bell and J Weir submitted a nomination for CATCA into the Nature of

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Scotland Awards and they have been shortlisted for two categories, Sustainable Development award and Community Initiative Award.

GDW Update - Over the summer volunteers had taken part in Canine Capers & Apex Vets Open Day. Both events were a huge success. It was good to see the Gala park being used for the 6<sup>th</sup> Canine Capers event.  
Thanks to the CGI volunteer efforts, many Pledges were signed

#### **Westquarter Glen Event**

Les provided an update of the event, which was his final as he has resigned from the Westquarter Wildlife Group. Those who have been involved in the Meet the Species events, praised Les for all his hard work.

#### **Other Business/Ideas**

Jean to contact Claire Muldoon re CGI website updates  
Steve marketing graduate from FC to spend time with CGI members to fully discuss GDW

#### **Dates to Note**

Dunipace Church - Let meeting Monday Sept 1 Dunipace Church  
Christmas Community Event being arranged by Tracy and Gala day team, dates to follow.

Next Meeting date Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Sep 2014

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