



COMMUNITY GREEN INITIATIVE  
Dunipace, Denny & District

**Meeting of Management Committee**  
**23 January 2014 7.00 – 9pm**  
**Reading Room, Dunipace Parish**  
**Church**

**Present**

**Christine Bell - Treasurer**  
**Donna Heaney**  
**Tracy McNeil - Chair**  
**Michelle MillerAllen - Secretary**  
**Peter O'Donnell**  
**Jean Weir- minutes**

**Apologies**

**John Watson**

	<b>Action</b>
<b>1.0 Welcome &amp; Administration</b> Tracy welcomed everyone to the meeting. Prior to the business meeting, Susanne Campbell and Mary McLaughlin of 1 <sup>st</sup> Dunipace Brownies were introduced to the group. There was a brief discussion about the Brownies being involved with CGI for a Litter Pick and Green Dog Walker promotion at the Gala Day in May. Michelle and Jean agreed to do a presentation for the Brownies as part of an Environment Badge in February or March. Topics to be covered - Litter, GDW and Recycling.	<b>MMA</b> <b>JWE</b>
<b>1.1 Minutes/Matters Arising from November Meeting</b> It was agreed that the discussions on Falkirk Council Licensing Procedures should be included (new item 1.3). With this amendment, the minutes were then approved and seconded by CB and TMcN. JWE agreed to minute the meeting and to make the changes to the previous minute. Approved minutes to be included on the website.	<b>JWE</b>
<b>1.2 Treasurer's Report</b> The current balance is £2017.56. This includes the Award of £250 given to CGI as part of the Paths for All Community Volunteer Award presented to J Weir in December 2013.	
<b>1.3 Membership Applications</b> There were no new applications.	
<b>1.4 TCV Insurance</b> It was agreed that until further notice J Weir would continue to deal with the Insurance administration. The renewal is due in February. The annual cost for 2014 remains at £196.76 which includes CGI's membership of The Conservation Volunteers (TCV)	<b>JWE</b>
<b>2.0 New Business Top Priority</b>	
<b>2.1 Gala Day</b> in Herbertshire Castle Park/Gala Park Saturday 24 May 2014. TMcN and CB gave an update of the arrangements to date. CGI plans to have a stall to promote our work including GDW. CGI will coordinate Litter Picking on the day. The Brownies will be involved with CGI.	<b>All</b>
<b>2.2 2014 Litter Picks</b> Spring - Sunday 16 March 10-1pm Carronvale/Old Railway line path/R Carron area Summer – Saturday 24 May Herbertshire Castle Park/Gala Park Autumn / Halloween – Saturday 25 October Location TBC	<b>All</b>

<b>3.0</b>	<b>Ongoing Business</b>	<b>TMcN</b>
<b>3.1</b>	<b>Herbertshire Castle Park/Gala Park Regeneration</b>	
<b>3.1.1</b>	<b>FC work</b>	
	<p>Further tree felling started W/B 13 Jan. This and the removal of the tree stumps due to be completed by the end of February. The creation of a path, using some of the cut wood, is due to start after the completion of the slope work. There is also an option for some of the cut wood to be used by CGI. TMcN agreed to follow this up with a local contact.</p> <p>There are still plans for the slope to be a wildflower meadow.</p> <p>FC is aware of the Gala Day in May.</p>	
<b>3.1.2</b>	<b>Interpretation Panel</b>	<b>JWE CB</b>
	<p>Liaison with FC designer is ongoing. Information and support provided by Geoff Bailley and John Reid have been very much appreciated.</p>	
<b>3.2</b>	<b>Promotion of Area</b>	
	<p>There was a discussion about positive ways to promote the area of Dunipace and Denny. Topics discussed ranged from a slogan, logo, mascot, floral displays, a flag. It was agreed that this could be followed up at a future meeting.</p>	<b>PO'D et al</b>
<b>3.3</b>	<b>Geocache Walk</b>	<b>JWE MMcD</b>
	<p>JWE was in discussion with Morag MacDonald about a possible geocache walk in the Dale Bridge to the Blue Pool area.</p>	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Funding/Fund Raising</b>	
	<p>The difficulties of securing raffle prizes were discussed. The suggestion was made that CGI could have a tombola at the Gala Day in May.</p>	
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Media</b>	
<b>5.1</b>	<b>New Leaf News</b>	<b>MMA</b>
	<p>It was agreed that the agenda item re discussion about NLN be held over to the next meeting and be discussed early in the meeting.</p> <p>The suggested publication dates are 1<sup>st</sup> week in Feb, April, July and Oct. There is now an option for a colour centrefold. The next edition will be launched at the FC Litter Strategy Award evening and the colour centrefold will be the nominations for the various awards.</p> <p>There is now a Facebook page for NLN.</p>	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Community Liaisons &amp; Projects</b>	
<b>6.1</b>	<b>Stoneywood Care Project</b>	<b>JWE</b>
	<p>CGI is delighted that the group is willing to adopt Herbertshire Castle Park for litter picking. JWE due to have a planning meeting with representatives from the group on 24 January</p>	
<b>6.2</b>	<p><b>CATCA update</b> CB gave an update on some of the recent project work including Fish in the Classroom. 6 schools are involved and they will be helping to produce displays for the World Fish Migration Day which coincides with the Gala Day in May. The Bonny Water Cleanup is to be raised at the next Bonnybridge Community Council Meeting.</p>	
	<b>Green Dog Walkers Update</b>	
<b>6.3</b>	<p>MMA gave an update of the work with Scottish Natural Heritage Roadshow for professional dog walkers, Council Access Rangers and Ditch the Dirt campaign.</p>	
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Other Business/Ideas</b>	
	<p>There were no further items.</p>	
<b>8.0</b>	<b>Dates to Note</b>	
	<p>W/B 3 Feb CBabies Mr Bloom Here and There featuring C Bell and St Patrick's PS</p> <p>Date of Next Meeting 24 February 2014 (subsequently cancelled)</p>	