



COMMUNITY GREEN INITIATIVE
Dunipace, Denny & District

Meeting of Management Committee
27 November 2014 7.00 – 9pm
Reading Room, Dunipace Parish Church

Present

John Watson – vice-chair

Christine Bell - treasurer

Donna Heaney

Peter O'Donnell

Graham Stirling

Heather Stirling

Jean Weir- minutes

Hannah Brackston - Guest Icecream Architecture (Until 8pm)

Apologies

Tracy McNeil - chair

Les Wallace

1.0 Welcome & Guest Speaker

In the absence of Tracy McNeil, John Watson chaired the meeting. He welcomed everyone to the first meeting following the AGM. A special welcome was given to our guest, Hannah from Icecream Architecture.

1.1 Hannah outlined the work that Members of Icecream Architecture have been involved in within the Denny & Dunipace area in relation to the Public Arts Strategy.

She then spoke about the 'Charrette' that is being planned for Denny in late March 2015. She explained what a 'Charrette' is, as this model of community consultation was new to most of the group.

As well as describing the process Hannah provided a useful handout. "The aim is for the public and stakeholders to work with a specialised design team to generate a specific community vision." The Denny Charrette is linked to phase 3 of the town centre regeneration. There will be preparatory work in Jan/Feb leading up to the event in March.

2.0 Minutes & Matters Arising from September Meeting & AGM

2.1 The September minutes were approved and seconded by Christine Bell & John Watson. There were no matters arising.

2.2 Arising from AGM held 23 October – confirmation of the new committee members and office-bearers. The Secretary post is vacant. Welcome to two new committee members – Heather Stirling and Les Wallace.

Two amendments to the constitution had been approved. There was further discussion about the composition of the committee, Item 30. It was agreed that it would remain unchanged.

The Certificate awarded to Stoneywood Care Group has now been presented.

3.0 Treasurer's Report

The balance is £2051.01. Payment of £1540.80 for the Interpretation Panel in Herbertshire Castle Park is due shortly.

4.0 Membership

No new membership applications.

5.0 Correspondence

FC have provided a Meadow Mix Poster which could be laminated.

Paths for All – list of courses

CVS AGM 12 November

Action

JWE

CBE

6.0	Litter Picks CGI Halloween Litter Pick 10-12 noon on Saturday 25 October in Herbertshire Castle Park was cancelled due to the park being used on that day for a rally.	
7.0	Herbertshire Castle Park	
7.1	LEADER project - The interpretation panel for the park is being stored at FC Earls Road dept until ready for installation. CB & JWE to liaise with FC. The informal launch of the panel is being planned for Sat 20th December at 10am. More details to follow. The final paperwork for the project will be submitted to LEADER in December.	CB JWE JWE
7.2	The plans for another interpretation panel near the 'Spanish Chestnut Tree' are in hand. CB provided drafts of the panel.	CB JWE
7.3	FC works - The path/steps work was completed in October. It is hoped that consideration will still be given to the use of log retainers. The slope was mown using a remote control mower during W/B 29 September.	
7.4	CGI is grateful to the volunteers from TCV and the local community as well as FC staff for helping us with raking the slope and sowing seeds (including yellow rattle) in October. CGI is also grateful to CATCA for arranging for TCV to be involved in cleaning up the R Carron and banks at the park.	
8.0	Funding / Fundraising A grant of £250 is available through Keep Scotland Beautiful – Community Grant Scheme Deadline 15 Dec. It was agreed that JWE would submit an application based on project(s) to enhance the entrances to Denny & Dunipace.	JWE
9.0	Media/Publicity The updates to the website have been made. The Denny Library is still keen to be involved in providing Book Reviews for New Leaf News.	
10.0	Community Liaisons & Projects	
10.1	CATCA has recently been awarded Climate Challenge Funding of £146K. CB gave information about the project due to start in April 2015 for one year.	
10.2	CGI congratulated CATCA for winning the Community Initiative Award at the prestigious RSPB Nature of Scotland Awards event in Edinburgh on 20 November.	
10.3	CGI plans to work with CATCA and Denny High School on a project in Winchester Industrial Estate.	
10.4	Green Dog Walkers Update - TMcN, CB and JWE reported back on the meeting held with FC Litter Strategy. CGI as founders of the scheme were able to give a lot of input to the discussions. It is felt that there is a need for a 'Rebirth' of the Campaign with a focus on rewarding good behaviour. CB asked that we all promote GDW as often as possible.	All
11.0	AOB	
11.1	TMcN had provided an email update on the plans for the Christmas event in the town centre – 29/30 November.	
11.2	Donna raised concerns about the human fouling in the Winchester Avenue/ R Carron area. This is a topic that has been discussed before and needs a coordinated approach to seek solutions. DH agreed to contact the local councillors.	DH
11.0	Dates to Note Next Committee meeting – 22 January 2014 7pm Reading Room, Church	