

Galston Community Council
Minutes of Meeting held on 12/04/16

Present Community Councillors

In Attendance EA Cllr G Mair

Apologies EA Cllr E Whitam,

The minutes of the last meeting were proposed by _____ and seconded by _____.

Matters Arising _____ had been omitted from the list of attendees at the last meeting. The footpath issue was brought up by _____. _____ said that an engineer has visited to assess the site.

Ged Hainey from Crucible Developments was welcomed to the meeting.

Police Report

As reported

_____ reported a car that he has seen in Henrietta St, a ford focus _____ that has been 'abandoned' for a while.

_____ mentioned an incident in which a dog (a lurcher) has chased a deer into the road. D Cassidy mentioned that she has seen two men with lurchers. Fears were raised about the possibility of poaching.

Parking outside the chemist on the double yellow lines was raised again.

Ged Hainey was invited to make his presentation; He is looking at a development for 2 retail units on Henrietta St with 22 car parking places. The plans are being drawn up with the Coop in mind which would be relocated from its current site.

Discussion about the site followed, whether the post office would move too and how this would affect footfall elsewhere within Galston.

EAC

EA Councillor Mair

- The roof has caved in at the Primary school, it's not regarded as dangerous as the property is fenced. Substantial discussion followed, the general feeling of the committee is that this has been allowed to happen by the owner.
- Ross Court is in a disappointing state of repair, it requires roof repairs, decorating, and new flooring
- The Loudoun Castle Development is being looked at by 2 reporters who will determine the application, they will be reporting back to the planning committee on 29/05.

_____ asked if any of the schools in EA are subject to the same PPF arrangements as the schools in Edinburgh. G Mair replied that 4 schools have been funded in this way but there are no concerns about their safety.

_____ commented that the steps into the 'new estate' are very narrow, too narrow for disabled access.

Secretary

As reported

Discussion about the Portland Arms development followed. J Smith suggested that the Community Council should object to the proposals. It was viewd however, that this is Trust business.

Finance

As reported

AOCB

The Community council will have a stall at the Community Trust fete on 13/6.

reminded all about the litter pick on the 17/04.