

Dalton and Carrutherstown Community Council

Dalton & Carrutherstown Community Council Meeting Minutes

Place of Meeting : Carrutherstown Primary School

Date of Meeting : Thursday 20th May @ 6.30pm

PRESENT : Dalton & Carrutherstown Community Council (DCCC) Sandra Marshall (SM)
Lyndsay Cannon (LC)
Tina Fitzsimon (TF)
Kirsten Edgar (KE)
Rob Salthouse (RS)

ABSENT/APOLOGIES None

Members of The Public Linda Harkness, Daniel Turnhoat, Heather Robb, Marie Brown, Ronnie Dempster, Jonathan Weller, Graeme Wilson, Gemma Anderson

DISTRIBUTION	Sandra Marshall, Lyndsay Cannon, Kirsten Edgar, Tina Fitzsimon, Rob Salthouse, Gemma Anderson, Ronnie Dempster, Jaime Nicolson & DGC Community Council Email, DCCC Facebook Page
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ITEM	PROCEEDINGS	ACTION
1.0	Welcome, Apologies, Quorum	
1.1	LC welcomed everyone and opened the meeting, with no apologies and the Quorum has been met.	
2.0	Casual Vacancy Election – Welcome new CC members	
2.1	LC introduced and welcomed Rob Salthouse to the Community Council	
3.0	Coopted Community Council Nominations	
3.1	Ronnie Dempster – Proposed by SM and Seconded by TF	
3.2	Gemma Anderson – Proposed by LC and Seconded by KE	
3.3	LC asked all other members of the CC if anyone had any objections and there were none.	
3.4	LC welcomed Ronnie and Gemma to the Community Council	

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4.0	Approval of previous meeting minutes	
4.1	Proposed - SM Seconded - TF	
5.0	Matters Arising	
5.1	Items 6.3 & 6.4 Accounts handed over to KE and mandate was completed for bank to update signatories.	
5.2	Item 8.2 LC had successful correspondence with Foundation Scotland regarding the ANCBC Harestanes fund and were pleased to have been awarded the £4000 grant with a further £500 cost of living increase.	
5.3	Item 9.2 It was noted that the top of Carrutherstown at Hetland is getting bad with litter again. LC encouraged all members of the community to complete the Litter Strategy Survey being carried out by Dumfries and Galloway Council. KE suggested another community litter pick and LC asked if anyone had objections for the Community Council to complete the survey as well.	KE/LC
5.4	Item 10.1 application was made for DVH to MINSCA and money was awarded. Due to banking issues DCCC have been unable to present DVH with the funding until this evening.	
5.5	Item 10.2 planning application fee for DVH, LC asked if DVH had submitted an application or would DVH still like DCCC to submit on their behalf? No application has been made and would be half the price for DCCC. LC put to a vote to members for DCCC to submit application on behalf of DVH 6 in favour 0 against 1 abstaining RD happy to undertake application and LC to set up DCCC on planning portal.	LC/RD
5.6	Item 12.3 Dalton handprint memorial. It was suggested to get a work party together to clean back of tiles refix and stormshield over. RD and RS volunteered to carry out the works and they are to let DCCC know of what materials are required to carry out repair.	RS/RD
5.7	Item 12.4 LC has created an application form for small grant funding for the Harestanes Funding and sent it to Carrutherstown Parent Council but it needs a little work prior to being issued publicly.	ALL
6.0	Police Scotland Report	

6.1	At the last meeting Police Scotland submitted a letter advising they will no longer attend community council meeting but hold a monthly online meeting to be attended.	
6.2	SM attended the first meeting last week on Tue 13th May, there were only 2 attendees and she raised speeding in the villages. Police Scotland said they would carry out speed checks in both villages and was advised to speak to the council about the 30mph road marking at 20mph road sign.	
6.3	LC raised that a local residents tractor was broken into and tools stolen at a farm near Lochmaben where they were working and for everyone to be aware there are thieves operating in the area.	
7.0	Correspondence	
6.1	I. Community Council Induction Training To be held at Carrutherstown Primary School on Wednesday 4 th June at 7pm for any member of the Community Council that wishes to attend. LC asked for members to let her know anything specific we would like covered.	ALL
6.2	II. Letter from Carrutherstown resident – Speed Limit Asked about extending the 30mph limit, however we believe this will be down to the location of street lights. Suggestion to email CCES for road department about lack of road markings and lack of pedestrian footway into the settlement. Also request a formal copy of the traffic order relating to the 20/30/40mph limits for the village. Regarding who to speak to about a mirror, the resident was advised that this is a highway offence and would make the resident liable if anyone hit it.	DCCC
6.3	III. Email this morning regarding General Medical Services Thematic Analysis however have not had time to review prior to meeting	
6.4	IV. Secretary was asked if they had received the roads programme for the area, they have not. An email to be submitted to CCES requesting the monthly/weekly roads programme.	
8.0	Treasurer's Report	
8.1	KE presented the treasurer's report which is appended to these minutes.	
8.2	KE has worked up the 24/25 year end accounts which had not been carried out prior to taking up treasurer's position in March 2025 and submitted these to the auditor. SM noted these are due back tomorrow (21/05/2025)	SM

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8.3	ANCBC (Harestanes) £4000 funding is awarded in August. Should we place a dates deadline for bids to be in for spending?	ALL
9.0	Banking Issues	
9.1	LC, KE and SM have been struggling with the bank and setting up new signatories. This was finalised today and the bank manager at the Dumfries Branch has offered to raise a complaint on our behalf and offered us £70 in compensation. LC to respond in the affirmative regarding the compensation.	LC
9.2	LC has been sent forms to complete for digital banking and will complete with the treasurer.	LC/KE
10	Planning/Licensing Applications	
10.1	25/0254/FUL Almagill Farm, Dalton, Lockerbie, DG11 1DZ – Granted Conditionally	
11.0	Carrutherstown Parent Council Application	
11.1	I. Funding for Community Event Carrutherstown Parent Council are holding 'A Community Gathering of the Clans at Carrutherstown Highland Games' on Friday 6h June and requested a contribution of £450 for burgers, hot dogs and pick and mix sweets. LC put to a vote 6 in favour 0 against 1 abstaining	
11.2	II. Funding for books in the library Carrutherstown Parent Council have been involved in helping refurbish the school library and have requested a contribution of £300 to purchase books for 5-8 year olds. LC put to a vote 6 in favour 0 against 1 abstaining	
12.0	AOCB	
12.1	Noticeboards – could we look into replacing these for both villages? Dalton's one will need to be of same size etc to negate need for planning permission. Suggestion made to have new location in Carrutherstown, possibly on edge of park? RS asked is it possible to get solar lighted boards. RD offered to make enquiries and costs.	RD

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12.2	Bus Stop in Dalton – is in need of some maintenance as overgrown with ivy. CCES to be submitted to council for it to be tidied up. Also has no lighting could this be a bid option for a solar light?	LC/ALL
12.3	KE and LC have seen another local community offer swimming lessons and driving lessons to children within community council boundary. Is this something we could look into doing for D&C. KE to speak to the other community who offer this to get ideas on criteria etc.	KE
12.4	A suggestion of a food hamper at xmas for the elderly was put forward, would need to look at criteria and application options for this. Lochmaben CC do a Xmas food voucher.	ALL
12.5	<i>RD suggested xmas lights and/or xmas trees for each village, now would be good time to start looking into this also.</i>	ALL
12.6	KE suggested a community clean up as she has noticed the front of Carrutherstown Village Hall is overrun. CCES to be submitted for the ground service asking for assistance and/or what their remit is for the village.	KE
12.7	LC suggested planters for the villages. Mouswald have lovely belted Galloway planters they purchased from Solway Recycling. LC to get costs.	LC
12.8	A newsletter was suggested, maybe bi-yearly and for the first year or so have it posted and/or hand delivered to all residences within DCCC area to invite people to be friends of community council. RD suggested to publish one for summer and another for Xmas as busiest time.	TF
12.9	D&G Council (DGC) have teamed up with a 3 rd party to offer assistance with creating a community council website with no fee apart from the domain name. LC to make further enquiries. As would be good to have basic info for bus timetable/defib locations/contact details/link to facebook.	LC
12.10	TF suggested a games night/afternoon, would be good to team up and work with DVH for fundraisers and community events.	ALL
12.11	TF thought it would be good for DCCC to have a logo and had worked up a few ideas and issued them to all attendees. There was a clear favourite and suggestion was to incorporate into noticeboard. TF to send over to RD.	TF
12.12	RD suggested a 3-6 month work plan so as not to overwhelm ourselves with all the ideas/work	LC/RD

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12.13	H Robb raised that there are no salt bins on the Almagill/Leafield road.	
12.14	J Weller offered his services as a photographer/videographer for the school highland games event and for website.	
12.15	GW praised DCCC for the positive meeting.	
13.0	Next Meeting	
13.1	AGM - Tuesday 12 th August 2025 6.30pm at Venue TBC General Meeting – Tuesday 12 th August 2025 7pm at Venue TBC	
13.2	Meeting closed at 8.10pm	

Dalton & Carrutherstown Community Council**Finance Movements 1/4/25 -20/5/25**

Balance brought forward		2279.32
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Income

Foundation Scotland Grant(Harestanes)	4000	
Foundation Scotland Grant for Dalton Phone box/Defib	500	
Foundation Scotland Grant re living cost increase	<u>500</u>	<u>7279.32</u>

Expenditure

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Balance carried forward	7279.32
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Note

Dalton phone box/defibrillator - £500 still to be distributed
to Dalton Hall Committee, awaiting ability to transfer funds.