

**Gourdon Community Council Meeting 7.30pm,
Tuesday 29th March 2016
Location: Gourdon Primary School**

Minutes

(Prepared by Jerry Joynson 03 April 2016)

Persons present at meeting:

Jerry Joynson- Chair
B O'Hare
J Niven
S Wilkins

Others

Sandra Stuart

No	Item	Action
1	Welcome by Chair	
2	Apologies: A. Wells, E. Joynson, J. Gove	
3	Police Report: NTR Police report delivered at AGM 01 Mar 16	
4	Approval of Minutes dated 02 Feb 2016 Approval: Proposed – S. Wilkins, 2 nd J Niven	
5	<p>Matters Arising from Minutes</p> <p>3 Feb 15:</p> <p>Condition of Mission Halls steps, raised as still no repair action by AC. Cllr Carr advised to get AC commitment in writing. M Fotheringham advised J Joynson that steps would need replacing and that would be a lot of work, due in part to the age of the existing concrete.</p> <p>02 Feb 15 update: Bridget reported that early records suggest that Roads Dept dealt with steps but has not found title. Cllr Carr reiterated need to ascertain title and S. Wilkins stated that it was thought to lie with adjacent properties previously.</p> <p>Cllr Carr reported that Johnshaven had repaired their steps and that GCC should consult.</p> <p>29 Mar 16 update: B. O'Hare reported that there was records to show that the previous shire council had repaired the steps. J. Joynson had not yet talked to Johnshaven re their steps. J. Joynson to also to contact M. Aspinall (AC) to establish if steps a Right of Way.</p> <p>30 Mar 16 update: D Strachan (AC) has contacted colleagues in Roads, Landscape Services and Estates to see if it can be found out who is responsible for these steps once and for all. AC Legal are currently checking their databases and documentation to see what they can find. The next step would be to go to the Registrars</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">JJ</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AC</p>

	<p>in Edinburgh but there is a cost to have this done so AC will proceed one step at a time.</p> <p>3 Nov 15: AOB</p> <p>1. Can something be done about rubbish from Fish and Chips, etc, at harbour. More bins required on Sunday nights to avoid Monday morning refuse problem. Raise matter with AC and Waste management to request the “big belly” bins. Reported to Waste – ref 1880451 and matter under consideration. 30 Mar 16 update: J. Joynson met with Waste Dept on site harbour area and agreed need for bins. Waste have recommended same bins as currently in use, up to 4 more around the location. Situation to be monitored ongoing.</p> <p>Item 14 AOB:</p> <p>1. The issue of lighting at the main road junction for Gourdon and crossing over to Northbound Bus shelter has been raised with Road Dept – ref 342976. Awaiting progress update.</p> <p>2. With respect to the use of Boath Park, the pitch is available for bookings through AC’s Inverbervie Sports Centre but it is not leased to the football club, only the spots pavilion. MATTER CLOSED</p>	<p>JJ</p> <p>AC</p> <p>AC</p>
6	<p>Angela Wells – Gourdon Primary School NTR</p>	
7	<p>Maggie Law (J. Niven) J Niven has stepped down due to other commitments. J Niven will advise if MLMM want to continue to be represented at GCC meetings.</p>	JN
8	<p>KDP Update (J. Niven) It was reported that the Transport Forum went well</p> <p>Following a meeting held on 25 Jan 16 with respect to the Community Action Plan, a village consultation questionnaire was undertaken with returns requested by 26 Feb 16. It was noted that a number of issues were GCC type issues, e.g. lighting and roads. There will be a meeting of interested parties to discuss and move things forward. Other CAP’s are being undertaken in the region.</p> <p>With respect to the GCC plans to attract new participants it was agreed that an engagement event would not be appropriate at this time. A report of the past year’s activities was included in the April/May 2016 edition of the local WOTS publication and included a GCC secretary vacation notification. It is hoped this may attract some interest along with development of the CAP.</p>	
9	<p>Planning</p> <p>1 Old path to beach cut off by Old Mill 02 Feb 16 Update: M. Webster (AC) wants to keep wall. E Gove stated that Right of Way needs to be maintained by the old Jute Mill. A. Wells advised community should claim the right of way and that Marseli Aspinall at AC will do the search if asked.</p>	

	<p>29 Mar 16 Update: This request has been made and a response is awaited.</p> <p>No other current issues.</p>	JJ
10	<p>Japanese Knotweed 5 Yr Plan (Cllr Carr) Cllr Carr - Spraying to recommence in Spring. Ian Walsh in AC Landscape needs reminding in April that it is a priority job. AC will treat private ground at a cost. Residents need to apply to AC.</p> <p>29 Mar 16 Update: Request made to AC for spraying. AC response is that the order has been issued for the spraying to be done.</p>	AC
11.	<p>Sewage on the Foreshore Following the large storm in January there was a significant amount of sewage items washed up onto the foreshore. Also washed up were old 'Fine Fare' plastic bags and similar, apparently from an old sea dump, the contents of which get disturbed during excessive storms. SEPA and Environmental Health contacted regarding clean-up. SEPA contacted Scottish water who apparently sent along 2 men to clean up the mess. The feeling is something bigger with more impact should have been done. Local people are unhappy about the mess and hazard caused, especially as it a problem for dog walkers and those with children, also unsightly and a negative impact on local people and any walking parties and tourists. Volunteers are advised not to touch it due to the risk of infection. Locals unhappy that are beautiful coastline is littered with such a disgusting mess due to the design of the sewage outflow pipes. This has been documented with pictures on the Bervie Noticeboard Face Book page. 02 Feb 16 Update: Cllr Carr advised that Scottish Water have the responsibility to clean up. SEPA's role is to charge them to act. GGC to push SEPA again as foreshore is still covered in waste 29 Mar 16 Update: An email has been sent to SEPA – awaiting response 30 Mar 16 Update: SEPA to follow issue up with Scottish Water and will visit the affected areas w/c 04 April 16.</p>	
12.	<p>Harbour View Place/Bank St Disabled Parking MATTER CLOSED – no longer a requirement</p>	
13.	<p>Appointment of GCC Secretary J. Niven introduced Sandra Stuart to the meeting. Sandra expressed an interest in undertaking the secretary's role. She is resident in the village and works at KDP so is no stranger to community affairs. S. Wilkins proposed and B. O'Hare seconded Sandra as interim secretary until formalized at EGM. Sandra was welcomed aboard by the Chair.</p>	
14.	<p>Thank You for your attendance (Chair)</p>	
15.	<p>Date of Next Meeting: No meeting in April. Next meeting Tuesday 03 May 2016 at 1930 hrs, Gourdon Primary School.</p>	