

DENHOLM FEUARS' AND HOUSEHOLDERS' COUNCIL
A REGISTERED SCOTTISH CHARITY: CHARITY NO SC042692
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN CHURCH HALL, DENHOLM ON
MONDAY, 23rd OCTOBER 2023 at 6.00pm

PRESENT:

Scott Tait (Chair), Chris Ryde (Vice Chair), Doreen Biggar (Secretary/Treasurer),
Rae Cleghorn & George Thom.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 25th SEPTEMBER 2023 & NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 29th SEPTEMBER 2023:

Alteration to the Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th September 2023 were to be amended to include the Dean Report. Once this was added they were approved by Chris Ryde, seconded by Rae Cleghorn.

The Notes of the meeting on 29th September 2023 were noted by all.

MATTERS ARISING:

LEYDEN MONUMENT AND RAILINGS: Chris to contact Historic Environment Scotland to see if they would confirm who owned this. Also, South Bridge Tower to be investigated.

SCIO: The letter sent to Fiona Benton was passed round. She has still not replied but it was hoped that after AGM she could attend an open meeting to discuss the way forward for DF&HC to change to SCIO.

EV CHARGERS: George contacted Dale Ploughman from D&DCC and was given contact at Scottish Power. A Team with Andy from SP and himself and Doreen (Rae could not attend) where position of Charging Points was discussed. Copy of Deed of Gift and outlines of property gifted has been sent to them. They will get back in touch if anything further is required. George also mentioned that perhaps area could be extended to allow Campervans etc to stay.

Dale and Gwen subsequently also had a meeting with the person who had informed them of our plans.

BOTTLE BANK: George has been in touch with SBC to arrange for area around bottle bank to be cleared. He is still awaiting a reply.

RENTAL UPDATE: The case continues with possibly another hearing on 20th November 2023.

DEAN UPDATE: Chris has been in contact with various contractors and is waiting on replies. There is quite a lot to be arranged for when felling could take place. Chris to contact farmer at Honeyburn Farm regarding use of fields etc. Income from Timber is dependent on price at time of felling. He also mentioned the "Fly Tipping Signs" and it was agreed that the one at the gate could be removed but should be kept in case the problem arises again. Squirrel Traps (Cameras) have been placed in the Dean and these at present show Grey Squirrels only.

OTHER BUSINESS:

WEB PAGE: Discussion re update and possible new Web Page.

NEWSLETTER: The following was agreed to be sent for the November Newsletter.

- a) Report on the Feuars as written by Scott
- b) Date and Place for AGM
- c) Update on Plot 1 and Bottle Bank area.

FOLK FESTIVAL: It was agreed that parking would be allowed on the Green and a donation requested as per last year.

Minutes of Meeting held on 23rd October 2023 cont'd:

OTHER BUSINESS cont'd:

TEVIOTDALE HARRIERS PARKING: Teviotdale Harriers have requested parking for their event on 10th March 2024. This has been agreed with Donation as per last year. It was then noted that School Rugby Event had been cancelled. This to be re-arranged and date confirmed.

CHRISTMAS TREE AND FESTIVITIES: Chris stated that he could possibly arrange for tree. Scott to organise once again Power Supply and confirm date of Lights Switch On. Suggested date was 10th December 2023.

Gwen to be asked if she would once again be placing lights on trees round the Green and if Community Council were prepared to organise Mince Pies and Mulled Wine.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: It was agreed the next meeting held in November would be AGM.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.