

PORTOBELLO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the 79th Meeting of the Portobello Community Council held on Monday 9th July 1990 at 7.30pm in the Citizen's Advice Bureau, High Street.

Chair: Norman Kerr

Present: Elected Members and Group Reps

- 79.1 Apologies.
- 79.2 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 11 June 1990 accepted and signed.
- 79.3 Matters arising.
- 79.3a Portobello Centre - Nick Stroud reported that a float had taken part in the Parade. As to the full opening of the Centre the target was now 1st October 1990, though as yet no lease had been received from the Council; nor had the important feasibility study - which relates to repairs etc needed to make the place habitable.
- 79.3b Portobello Reporter - Activity was taking place albeit slowly; with a target for an autumn issue. Need for help on the selling of advertising space.
- 79.3c Road Show - Did take place, but it was felt that more could be done to make it successful. Agreed initiate extra interest for that next year.
- 79.3d Portobello Festival - Gordon McRae reported on the events and commented on the turn outs for each. The Festival Committee were to be congratulated and had thoughts for alternative events next year. Finances seemed to be okay. Meeting on 28 August 1990 in the library at 7pm and on 25 September 1990, the AGM.
- 79.4 Treasurers Report - Given by N C Kerr in the absence of the Treasurer. Funds will be in a very healthy state due to grant - £700 and refund of money by H Dawson.
- 79.5 Sub Committees
- 79.5a Sand and Sea - Maggy Jones gave a resume of the sub-committee meeting notes (enclosed with these minutes).
Main points were; that the council should keep the public aware of the state of the sand and sea; a Joppa Residents Committee has been formed to

monitor the progress of the new pumping station (invitation to be sent to attend next Community Council Meeting).

79.5b Tennis Courts - Len Young reported that nothing further has transpired in relation to the repairs requested.

79.6 Constitution - It was agreed to seek alterations to the Constitution as follows. a) Quorum - to be one quarter of the total of the elected members and group representatives. b) Attendance - should any member fail to attend 3 consecutive meetings, then if no good reason is given and accepted by the Council their membership will be deemed to have ceased.

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Town Hall - Brenda Molony presented a complete report on her discussions with the hall keeper (copy attached to these minutes) which was warmly received. It was agreed to follow up the suggestions made and give every encouragement to Mr Craig, the hall keeper. Also Maggy Jones to talk to him about the positioning of a ramp.

Ramsay Tech

Norman Kerr reported that he had received up dated information on this building with the help of Cllr Kerevan. Access to it meantime was not possible owing to asbestos problems. It was for sale, however, and at least two interested parties have been sourced, subject to viewing. Question of permitted use and desirable use to be ascertained.

79.8 Local Forum - Scott Weatherstone indicated that the next would be held on 21 August 1990 at Bingham C. Centre at 7.30pm. Transport available. It was felt that there is still some conversation due between the two bodies ie., Forum and Community Council in order to establish a useful and sensible working relationship.

79.9 A.O.B.

79.9a Mr Bowen gave an excellent report on the "crime watch" situation, although some of the statistics were rather horrifying, such as the losses figure, due to crime the Council pledged its support to the drive by the police to curtail losses through eg., neighbourhood watch and Crime Concern Scotland.

