



PORTOBELLO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the 199th meeting, held on 27 May 2002
in Portobello Baptist Church Hall.

Present:

Jordan Burns Cllr Maureen Child Dawson Currie (Sec) Margaret Downie Alix Gaffney Kathleen Hart (Treas) Bob Jefferson
Peter McCabe Nora Mackenzie Cllr Lawrence Marshall Brenda Molony George Murray Tom Nimmo John Smart Margaret Smith
Tom Smith (Chair) Nick Stroud Bill Thomson Natalie Todd David Turner Aileen Valentine.

Also: Annie Bell (CEC) Joyce Campbell (CEC Returning Officer) Keith Jeffrey Gordon MacKay (Port Fest Soc) Patricia Ralph
Colin Taggart

Apologies:

Celia Butterworth Susan Deacon MSP Margaret Munro Sandy Smith John Stewart Gavin Strang MP Lewis Waugh.

<u>Item</u>		<u>Action</u>
199.1	<u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (29 April 2002)</u> Minute 198.5b should have read £6501.35 (Interest already included but added). Moved Kath Seconded Margaret Downie.	
199.2	<u>MATTERS ARISING</u>	
199.2a	<u>Seaside Award</u> Item continues.	
199.2b	<u>PCFA Funds</u> Money now in account. Item ends.	<u>Sec</u>
199.2c	<u>Hugh Miller Official Plaque Ceremony</u> Plaque up and festivities took place. Vote of thanks to History Society and all others involved.	
199.3	<u>REPORTS</u>	
199.3a	<u>Task Force Manager</u> Robert Davidson was not present.	
199.3b	<u>Treasurer</u> Treasurers account £2470.53 Joppa Tennis Courts £9740.19 Co-Warm account £6501.35 Sir Harry Lauder Memorial Fund £2676.00 (Includes Portobello Christmas Lights fund £950) A coffee machine £69.50 was bought for the library and a thank you note received.	
199.3c	<u>Amenity Society</u> The AGM will be on Thursday at 1930.	
199.3d	<u>Councillors.</u> <u>Lawrence:</u> Granny's Attic granted on appeal; bottom of Bath St shop conversion set for approval but one at top refused as primary shopping area; Brunstane Station opens with 6am from Waverley on Monday but with no Sunday service... OAPs can travel for 50p. Nantwich Drive used as rat-run...restricted turn into Fillyside proposed; Kings Road roundabout overgrowth to be cut back; water company has dug up parts of High Street but no replacement flags available...black tarmac temporary. <u>Maureen:</u> John Street Paddling Pool site plans should be available for next meeting; Joppa Tennis Courts to be resurfaced during current season; City Car Club (Smart Moves) going well with about 30 people from Porty seriously interested with two cars at least (sited at Lee Crescent and St Mark's Place). Lawrence answered a question about Granny's attic traffic impact by saying that it was not considered to be significant.	

199.3e Police

	August	Nov	Dec	Jan
House break-ins	1	1	13+9	14+3
Attempted HB	2	1		5+3
Theft of motor vehicle	20	11		
Attempted theft of MV	1			
Theft from MV	4			
Vandalism		36		104
Accidents involving Motor Vehicles				
Damage only	8			
Injury minor	1			
Injury serious	0			

‘+’ Residential + Business
No police present.

199.3f Joppa Tennis No rep but see Maureen’s report.

199.3g Harry Lauder Patricia reported that the board was now up but letting in water. This would get attention but she thought that the edging should be black. This was agreed. Plants need attention and Nicola Anderson (who has been doing the work) should be asked to arrange. Sec to write. Slabs to be placed round the tree. Mr Ralph to fix board etc. Agreed that the sub-committee be wound up. Lawrence thanked Patricia for a job well done, started and finished successfully. Sec

199.3h Portobello Counts: Brenda said that she was still waiting for the police figures.

199.3i LDC Report: Next meeting in September.

199.3j Information Boards and Building Plaques: Town Hall plaques not yet fitted.

199.3k Coade Stone Columns: Columns to be moved to Bailliefield before August.

199.3l Prom Improvements: Old Ghost Train Site: Lawrence: nothing new to report. Lawrence

199.3m Community Councils Web Site: Bob said the site progresses. Official sub-committee needed and will arrange next meeting.

199.4 AOB

199.4a Gordon MacKay had come along to explain about the ‘Golden Days’ project. After seeing a request for ideas about a new ‘Fringe by the Seaside’, he had volunteered and this was the outcome. It was not a gala day but a series of small events to show off Portobello with a car show, pony rides, stalls, and a concert to finish in the Town Hall; it would take place (one day only) on Saturday 15 June.

199.4b PHS Events: 28 May anti-litter day with clean-up of Figgate Park; Thursday 6 June Gavin Strang and Susan Deacon will be at the school for a debate on education, at 7pm. This is the last meeting for the current PHS pupils. There will be a celidh on 28 June in Town Hall with tickets available from Lewis or Kitcheners.

199.4c Colin Taggart had come along to try to get our support to prevent early morning cyclists from racing along the Prom. He suggested that by stopping people this would put them off from using the Prom at this time and thereby have to find an alternative route. It was agreed that this would be a good thing to try.

199.7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING 19:30 on 24 June (No meeting July, then 26 August, 30 September.)

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