

**Cumnock Action Plan  
Board Meeting Minutes  
6.30pm Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018  
Yipworld, Barrhill Road, Cumnock**

**Present:** Bobby Grierson, Janice Hendry, Neil Given, John Senior, Lynne Jeffery & Tommy Malcolm

**In attendance:** Emma Waugh (EAC VC)

Number	Agenda Item	Action/Date
1.	<b>Apologies</b> – Shaun Lowrie, Helen Ng, Irene Smith	
2.	<b>Guests</b> – none	
3.	<b>Minutes of last meeting</b> – approved by Neil and seconded by Janice.	
4.	<b>Matters Arising</b> None all issues covered under agenda items.	
5.	<b>Correspondence</b> Coalfields Community Landscape Partnership – ‘Call for projects’ letter. Concern over where some of the projects in the document have come from and why there has been no consultation between initial meetings at Boswell Centre, over 12 months ago, and now. Suggested organising a joint meeting - History Group reps, CAP reps and CCLP staff. 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec afternoon/evening or 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec (afternoon or Emma to organise.	<b>Emma</b>
6.	<b>Governance and Finance</b> Bank of Scotland account – Bobby progressing set up with additional information required re: trustees’ details and SCIO info. Town Centre money – Bobby has asked Ciss to chase Lawrie Dinwoodie for final totals. (note: one of the signs is thought to be in wrong place, obstructing view of motorists and will require re-locating. Bobby has told Colin McKee this shouldn’t be at the expense of the Town Centre budget and has requested a resolution be sought Ciss/Colin McKee). Any additional Town Centre funds to be spent on planters. Accounts to be approved at next meeting. Payments to street performers (Christmas Festival). Invoices to be sought and signed.	<b>Bobby</b>  <b>Ciss</b>
7.	<b>Press and publicity</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Photo-call to celebrate town centre improvements</li> <li>• Christmas lights switch on in chronicle this week. Big button was a great addition. Young people (winners) loved it.</li> </ul>	<b>Bobby</b>
8.	<b>Action Group Reports:</b> <b>Theme 1 – Neil</b>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colin McDonald attended last sub-group meeting to discuss possible projects to be included in the CCLP HLF bid</li> <li>• Discussion about roundabout on A76 – understand the Health and Safety considerations but could some improvements be made – weeding</li> <li>• Tower Street &amp; Memory Garden sites – no further forward with Licence to Occupy x 2</li> <li>• Tree planting – Neil progressing for management plan with David law</li> <li>• 3000+ bulbs planted by Gardening Group and wider community. Neil has an article ready for the Chronicle</li> <li>• There's another 16 planters (in sets of 4) for tower street and square</li> <li>• Next meeting 11/12/18 – Red/Amber/Green. Bobby to get sheets prior to next meeting to circulate.</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme 2: Janice</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keith Stewart attended last business association meeting</li> <li>• Chinese restaurant was discussed. Alec McPhee had previously said Cumnock couldn't have the new shops being opened with ruined building in background. Donald McVicar has been on the case, emailed Katie Kelly who will speak to Alec McPhee.</li> <li>• Perhaps a creative solution or community &amp; tourist hub?</li> <li>• Braithwaite's looking at old Chinese and RBS buildings</li> <li>• Could be possible CAP premises?</li> <li>• Life Changes Trust have been liaising with Marion Gilliland re: dementia/autism friendly shops/town centre</li> <li>• Christmas Festival – Janice suggested more partnership working with business – volunteering or taking on bits of work</li> <li>• Chronicle – offered business profile week on week – poor response from Business Association. Janice highlight prior rude/dismissive attitude towards brochure etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme 3: TBD</b> No update</p> <p><b>Theme 4 – All</b></p> <p><b>Christmas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business impact survey still to be completed – disappointed as no CAP logo or information on the survey, only EAC (to see Keith Stewart about this).</li> <li>• Positive feedback since event when board members around out and about</li> <li>• Positive for businesses – busy and sales</li> <li>• Some shops will tart up windows next year</li> <li>• Make more areas of the square Christmassy in 2019</li> </ul>	Neil
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neil will look into progressing new lights for 2019 – ARA re: past lighting in precinct.</li> <li>• 246 xmas presents left over from the 650 started with for 2018</li> <li>• 20+ unwrapped and lots of arts &amp; crafts that can be wrapped up as gifts for 2019</li> <li>• No negative comments about £2 for Santa</li> <li>• Board thoughts – Under 2s go free for 2019.</li> </ul> <p><b>Armistice</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Real success!!</li> <li>• A lot of work went into planning and execution of events but were enjoyable</li> <li>• Wide ranging involvement across groups, ages etc.</li> <li>• Whilst Bobby was in Town Hall he browsed the promo - 50+ leaflets but only 3 included events/info re: Cumnock</li> <li>• EA Leisure report – Baird institute mentioned once and Cumnock mentioned once</li> <li>• How do we let people outside of Cumnock know about what's on? Bobby will look at wider Ayrshire publicity \and identify people to contact. Had mentioned 'Tale Trail' phone app but when explored hadn't been apple compatible.</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme 5 - Bobby</b> Already covered</p>	<b>Bobby</b>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Community Engagement Opportunities</b> No items</p>	
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Any other business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corra/VC – consider making up a feedback proforma to allow the group to critique/evaluate impact of Corra/VC</li> <li>• Christmas Festival – complaint. Mrs Haining from Auchinleck bought 13 goodie bags from a stall for children. Discovered inappropriate content once she got home. Janice to see Shaun about getting a refund from stall holder.</li> <li>• Funfair carpet ride – emergency stop because a young girl was sliding out of the seat. This was thought to be because there was no one beside her and she was very slight although she met the height restrictions. The mother said it was no fault of the funfair operator.</li> <li>• Shop vacancies in new build – 10 year lease policy needs reviewed as off putting to possible tenants.</li> <li>• Meeting dates for 2019:-</li> </ul> <p>Feb 5th March 5th</p>	<b>Shaun/Emma Janice/Shaun</b>

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	<p>April 2nd May 7th June 4th July – no meeting Aug – no meeting Sept 3rd Oct 1st Nov 5th Dec 3rd</p>	
<b>DONM</b>	<p><b>No date set for January meeting. Christmas festival debrief will be in January – date to be confirmed.</b></p> <p><b>Next board meeting Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019 @ yip 18:30</b></p>	