

Falkirk Council Community Council Elections are due **SOON** and your CC NEEDS YOU!



GET INVOLVED!

Community Councils are made up of local people who give time to, and have a genuine interest in the wellbeing of their community. They consult the local community on the issues affecting them and tell Falkirk Council and other public bodies and representatives the views of local people.

Will you join us and help to improve our local areas and support our communities?

Over the last term Avonbridge & Standburn Community Council has:

- Secured the Burnhead Moss Community Benefit Fund (currently £38K pa).
- Established Micro Grant Scheme (£150 4 X pa). Grants paid over the past four years total £9,386.19
- Benefitting the following projects – Kids Clubs, Youth Club, Braes Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers, Parent Councils, Welly Boot flower pots Over 60's afternoon teas, Braes Foodbank, and many more.
- Established the Education & Training Fund now expanded across two other benefit areas and created the post of our local outreach worker.
- Provided Christmas trees and lights in both villages, installed Christmas lights on the lampposts in Avonbridge and organised Carols Round the Tree with help from the Avonside Inn.
- Completed the Community Action Plan identifying key areas for development.
- ASCC members have established and supported community groups to improve facilities in both villages i.e. Avonbridge Park Pump Track and Equipment, Standburn Park new play equipment and Drumbowie Community Park.
- Installed a defibrillator in Avonbridge.
- Instigated a new Community Association at Avonbridge Hall.
- Secured funding for a trip to Blackpool, refurbishment of ladies toilets and installed a baby change unit in Avonbridge Hall.
- Campaigned against the spreading of sewage sludge across the area.
- Highlighted the need for road repairs, and for speed restrictions in both villages.
- Provided maintenance of the War Memorial in Avonbridge, arranged the planting of the memorial garden and the laying of Poppy Wreaths.
- Crowd funded for memorial benches.
- The ASCC provides an opportunity for residents to raise concerns, supports both primary schools, the Avonbridge Community Association and lobbies MSPs on local issues.

Avonbridge & Standburn Community Council AGM

Thursday 23rd September 2021

Drumbowie School, Standburn

7.15pm



DRUMBOWIE COMMUNITY PARK UPDATE

This has been a busy year for the charity, which has accomplished much with a small number of volunteers and resources. The following is a summary of those achievements:

- * Created a new committee and improved governance for regulatory compliance
- * Renewed links with Falkirk Council
- * Held volunteer open days
- * Established a working relationship with the charity Froglife.
- * Became members of The Conservation Volunteers
- * Commissioned a health survey of the park trees
- * Completed a bat, bird and wildlife survey
- * Secured grants for maintenance and repairs
- * Ran an Easter bunny trail
- * Promoted volunteer support of planters in the park
- * Completed structural repairs and painting of the pagoda with volunteers' help
- * Purchased new picnic tables and benches with recycled low maintenance products
- * Replaced the emergency access gate and installed disabled access kissing gate and much much more!!!

We are extremely grateful for the support of our volunteers in carrying out these tasks.

We have exciting plans for the future so please feel free to join us or attend one of volunteer open days and get involved.

