

MUIRHEAD, BIRKHILL AND LIFF COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Approved Minute of Meeting held 5th September in the Millennium Hall

ATTENDANCE

Community Councillors –

Stuart Phillips, Ken Johnston, Colin Hunter, Vince Taylor, Jim Moir, Elaine Stewart.

Mark Hodgkinson, PC Sean Scanlon, Councillor Fotheringham, Councillor Hands, Cllr Hands
Assistant Sandra Black and 16 members of the public

Apologies Jimmie Reid, Doug Neilson, Alison French, Councillor Murray, Councillor Thomson

MINUTE OF MEETING 4th July

Adoption Proposed: - Stuart Phillips

Seconded: - Vince Taylor

POLICE MATTERS

Our new Community Liaison Policeman Sean Scanlon was introduced to the meeting.

He addressed the meeting regarding Scammers, Wildlife Crime, Rural Thefts including Farm Diesel and the new phone number for contacting the Police.

He also answered questions regarding the Traffic Lights at the CO OP, Vandalism at rear of the Millennium Hall, Vandalism at Fowlis car park and will carry back information regarding the VAS sign at Liff and a request for a similar sign to be placed in Fowlis

FINANCIAL HARM IN THE COMMUNITY

Mark Hodgkinson, Angus Council Adult Protection & Review Officer – 01307 473762 was introduced to the meeting.

Mark proceeded to explain his role, how the act came into being, Angus Council's formal policy and duties regarding Adult Harm, and the partnership between Social Work & Trading Standards Departments.

A general discussion took place during which Mark gave various examples of Scams including mention of the THINK JESSICA Campaign and the fact that financial scams are 4 times more in evidence than other types.

Those in attendance found this information very enlightening and thanked Mark for his attendance and explanations

CORRESPONDENCE

- Dog fouling Survey – This has been passed on to the Email Circulation
- Community Councillors details sent to Forfar – S Phillips to be changed
- Kinpurnie Estate Long Term Forest Plan – Plan was open for comment
- Birkhill Recreation Park – More levelling and Reseeding has been carried out
- Fowlis Village Green - Brian Smyth gave an update on the current position and it was agreed to continue to seek a solution re maintenance
- Strathmartine Community Council - Invitation to their meeting received re Dighty flooding
- We received copies of the new bus timetable
- We received details of the Bio Diversity Coordinators Surgeries
- Surf are to have a Regeneration and Referendum debate in Edinburgh on 18th September

ROADS

- V.A.S. Church Rd, Liff and Risk Assessments – The machine has been in position on Church Road
- Grass Verge outside Millennium Hall/Bowling Club – no movement yet
- Street lighting works in Inver Terrace Muirhead 10th July for two weeks - Work has been done
- Road Closures 2nd September to 11th October – Not started yet but programmed

From AOCB

- Piperdam Drive is being used for heavy vehicles causing traffic noise and safety issues
- Deer signs have been placed on A923 near Piperdam
- Traffic calming measures are to be looked into for roads within Piperdam

FINANCE

- Insurance Renewal – This has been completed

PLANNING

Applications have been made regarding

- 110a Coupar Angus Road
- 22 Benvie Road Fowlis
- 6 Tree Houses Piperdam
- 6 Lochside Holiday Homes Piperdam
- Application, 13/00765/FULL, for a Multi-purpose Leisure and Activity Centre, Walkway, Plantroom and Car Parking at Piperdam

Training on Planning for Community Councillors is still being considered by Angus Council

COMMUNICATION

- Website is up and running
- Angus Council requested that we complete a survey designed to assist them in updating their website
- Facebook – There have been 89 likes
- Notice Boards – Certain Boards are for Community Council use only
- Flyer – All distributed , thanks to all concerned with helping during distribution
- Transport Sub Group – Meeting scheduled for 20/08/13 cancelled

A O C B

- Mr Nicoll suggested a site near Tealing be used if Angus Council have a need for more housing
- Gourdie Brae give way lines have not been replaced since the resurfacing took place
- The School Buses were again discussed
- The Library Van is now operational again after loose panels were secured
- Ken Johnston put in his apologies for next meeting and asked for a volunteer from the floor to take the minute for the October meeting.

As there were no volunteers Ken will have to take up Doug Neilsons' offer. This offer was given with the caveat of

If there is no other member interested in acting as secretary then I will cover for you but I feel that everyone should have the chance to contribute in the operation of the Community Council and appreciate the work the office bearers carry out

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 3rd OCTOBER in the MILLENNIUM HALL BIRKHILL at 7-30 PM