



Muirhead, Birkhill and Liff Community Council

Approved Minute of meeting 1 June 2017 held at 7.00pm in the Millennium Hall, Birkhill
Stuart Phillips in the Chair in Alison's absence.

1 Attendance: Doug Neilson, Stuart Phillips, Ken Johnston, Helen Haut, Ciaran Haut, Linda Clink, Vince Taylor, Cllr Hands, Bob Ness and 11 members of the public.

2 Apologies: Alison French, Colin Hunter, Ruth Scanlan, Cllr Whiteside.

3 Minutes of Previous Meeting: Amended after a recommendation from Cllr Hands and then proposed by Ken Johnston and seconded by Stuart Phillips.

4 Matters Arising:

- a) **Road junctions at Muirhead** - Liff Road - Coupar Angus Road. A letter has been sent to the nursery but no response as yet.
Newtyle Road - Coupar Angus Road. An email from a resident pointing out that the tree at the junction being part of 'is integral to what makes the area a village'. Ken reported that it had been looked at about 10 years ago and the current arrangement was the best possible outcome.
- b) **Cars parked at Davidsons the Chemist** - Matter was discussed at the April meeting of the Transport group, a site visit was proposed but this has been delayed. ACTION - Cllr Hands
- c) **Insurance** - Email from Angus Council confirming that this has been paid by Colin.
- d) **Muirloch** - A meeting took place with residents, Cllr Hands and Angus Council planning officers with CC representatives in attendance. The meeting was informative and useful regarding the position of the planning application under consideration, the enforcement order and restrictions. This matter will take some considerable time to be resolved.
- e) **Charrette** - the Charrette has now taken place and a report with outcomes of the event will be produced by the consultants, Pidgin Perfect, and delivered at a meeting on 22nd June 2017.

5 Police Report: There was no Police presence at our meeting and as a copy of the Monthly Police report had already been circulated to the Community Council Doug gave a brief report. There has been one housebreaking in the Birkhill and Muirhead area and police request that any suspicious activity is reported, cold callers, unusual vehicles during the night or anything that gives concern please report on Tel No: 101

6 Correspondence:

Regular correspondence has been circulated to all Community Council members however the additional communications were:

- 1) An apology from Ann Macmaster of the Muirhead and Birkhill Bowling Club, regarding the omission of the Community Council contribution to the defibrillator, on a poster they produced.
- 2) Information about a Fields in Trust Plaque, which is now in situ in the park at the rear of the hall.
- 3) Article about Angus Alive at Monifeith and funds going to support that area and we are left out.
- 4) Email regarding a consultation on the Angus Development Plan scheme.
- 5) Email informing about Angus Park Smart scheme.
- 6) Colin circulated an email with details of Moray Council Walking/Cycling paths, it was impressive.
- 7) Email regarding the SSEN Resilient Communities Fund.
- 8) Email and meeting with the new owners of Piperdam and suggesting a regular quarterly meeting.
- 9) Angus Council about the Volume of Council meeting minutes.
- 10) Email regarding the proposed CL Carvan & Motorhome Club site at Greenacres.*

- 11) Email regarding the total residential homes at Piperdam.*
- 12) Comment from a resident that the bus timetables for Explore services are not displayed on the Bus Stops. After discussion it was agreed that this and the bus information at Ninewells Hospital would be investigated. It was agreed that Linda would investigate the Ninewells situation.
- 13) Colin sent a copy of the Audited Accounts to members prior to forwarding to Angus Council.
- 14) Colin circulated a paper on the disadvantage the school pupils have in travelling to Monifeith (equivalent to an additional working day) and making a case for a secondary school in our area. Not only is it the additional time and cost spent transporting the pupils but also the area lacks the benefit of having a secondary school at the heart of the community acting as hub for social and leisure facilities.

Correspondence marked * to be taken up under the next item Planning.

7 Planning:

The application 17/00196/PPPL Development of 5 houses at Ledyatt Farm by Lundie Farming Ltd has been withdrawn.

This month's applications:

- 1) Ref: 17/00202/FULL Conservatory extension at 4 John Huband Drive, Birkhill DD2 5RY
- 2) Ref: 17/00218/FULL Extension to house at 16 Osprey Avenue, Piperdam DD2 5GB - approved
- 3) Ref: 17/00237/FULL Conversion of a former Coach House, 178, Coupar Angus Rd, DD2 5QE - approved
- 4) Ref: 17/00275/FULL Extension above garage at 39 John Huband Drive, Birkhill DD2 5RY
- 5) Ref: 17/00369/FULL Erection of a dwelling house in garden at 17 Sidlaw Terrace, Birkhill DD2 5PY
- 6) Ref: 17/00380/LBC Velux roof lights and stove flue at 9 Balruddery Meadows Balruddery DD2 5LR
- 7) Ref: 17/00424/ PREAPP Demolition of Orangery and replace with a smaller one at Clushmill House, Lundie DD2 5NX

Residents present voiced concerns about a Certificated Location (CL site) being proposed for Greenacres and following discussion it was agreed there were a number of issues relating to traffic access and egress, tree felling and removing a roadside embankment. It was agreed that the secretary write to Douglas Hill and inform the Caravan & Motorhome Club of the problems with the site. ACTION Doug

8 Finance: Nothing to report.

9 Web site / Social Media: All up to date with 499 'Likes'.

10 AOCB:

- a) Concern about the canopy lights at the Co-op being left on all night long. ACTION Doug
- b) Linda updated the meeting regarding BT Openreach installation on Osprey Road.
- c) An update on the problems encountered with the adoption of Osprey Rise and Osprey Bank but progress was being made by Scottish Water. Kirkwood Homes had asked for assistance with informing residents that a company may be looking for the water boxes on the service strips in front of their house. After discussion it was agreed that Kirkwood Homes should undertake this exercise themselves as they know which householders would be affected.
- d) Bob Ness stated the Charrette feedback report will be delivered at a meeting which will take place on **Thursday 22nd June at 6.30pm in the Muirhead and Birkhill Bowling Club.**
- e) Locality Plan Discussion booklet for information - if there is anything we feel is omitted then please notify Bob Ness.
- f) Roadside drains on Gourdie Brae and Coupar Angus Road are dropping again and it was agreed that a letter be sent to the Roads Department pointing this out. ACTION Doug
- g) Friday Night Project would appreciate a visit from Police Scotland. ACTION Doug

**The next meeting will take place on Thursday 6th July, 2017
at 7.00pm in the Millennium Hall, Birkhill.**

Meeting closed at 8.37pm.