

MUIRHEAD, BIRKHILL AND LIFF COMMUNITY COUNCIL

APPROVED MINUTE FOR 7th MAY 2015 MEETING HELD AT 7PM IN THE MILLENNIUM HALL

ATTENDANCE - Community Councillors - Colin Hunter, Ken Johnston, Jim Moir, Doug Neilson, Stuart Phillips, Councillor Fotheringham, Councillor Hands, Sandra Black and two members of the public

APOLOGIES - Vince Taylor, Elaine Stewart, Jimmy Reid and Alison French

MINUTE OF 2nd APRIL MEETING - Adoption Proposed: - J Moir Seconded: - Stuart Phillips

POLICE MATTERS

- No Police presence
- It has been noted that there are no Police Boards any longer and that we are experiencing a lack of Police based in our area. Councillor Hands to write to Chief Superintendent Eddie Smith following a Ward Meeting

MATTERS ARISING

- Adoption of Osprey Road plus Osprey Bank and Osprey Rise
A contractor was to come in April to do the remedial work – The Contractor did not arrive
- Hugh Fairbrother – Scottish Water Development Planning Liaison Manager had committed to coming to the community council meeting with an update but did not appear.

CURRENT INFORMATION:-

- E Mail from I Cochrane, Head of Technical & Property Services Angus Council:- When I attended the Community Council I passed on the information that we had received from Kirkwood Homes regarding their intention to undertake the outstanding road remedial works in April. It is not in the gift of the council to promise that a private developer will undertake works. Sadly Kirkwood Homes have not progressed matters to their intended timescale and we have been in touch to seek progress. We are also seeking an update on the Scottish Water situation and will let you know any update.

With regard to the extent of the service strip etc, the extent of what becomes the adopted 'road' (which includes footways and verges) is set out in the Roads Construction Consent (RCC) and the drawings associated with this. It is not therefore always appropriate that the presence of services necessitates roads adoption as services may be the subject of wayleaves through private property.

I attach an extract of the RCC drawing showing the section from Piperdam Drive to No 8 and beyond. The red indicates the 1.8m wide footway and the green indicates the 1.2m wide verge which will be adopted and maintained by the council in due course once remedial works are completed. This therefore does seem to cover the areas in your photographs. Kirkwood Homes have still to complete the footway/verge remedial works and have not yet taken up the offer of a phased adoption of the footway and verge (as opposed to waiting for the full adoption including the roads at Osprey Rise & Bank).

- E Mail from Steven Scott Regional Communities Team Manager
The results from our investigations have indicated that there are higher than expected flows in the sewers when compared to the number of properties served by the infrastructure. We have concluded that the most likely source of this additional flow is through surface water ingress into the sewer. Initial findings indicate that the leg of sewer relating to Piperdam Golf and Leisure Club and also the leg of sewer relating to Kirkwood Homes site both have surface water ingress. Hugh Fairbrother, Scottish Water Development Planning Liaison Manager will be contacting both Piperdam Golf and Leisure Club and Kirkwood Homes imminently. It is also worth noting that previous remedial work has been carried out by both Developers including the creation of new soakaways by Piperdam Golf & Leisure Club and a full CCTV survey carried out by Kirkwood Homes which resulted in the re-sealing of manholes. It is clear that although this work has been beneficial, it has unfortunately not fully resolved the issue.
- Clinkerheel Park – The Council has agreed to our request for monies to be invested in the park. Now with the design team to produce proposals for work to be completed in the new financial year.
- Henderson Park, - Angus Council have stopped cutting because the developer had not paid the money agreed – Some work has been done by local parents - Alan McKewon to be invited to our next meeting.
- 5 Mile House Post Office (Muirhead) - Ongoing
- E Mail re Elections – Ongoing

CORRESPONDENCE – (Requiring discussion)

- Letter sent to K Cowey to say we were pleased there are to be no further developments in our area
- Council Complaint Procedure re Fowlis Village & Henderson Park - Ongoing
- Transport Hub – No further action
- Barrier on Woodlands Road Piperdam – No response to email sent to Planning Dept
- Rural Broadband - Muirhead (This exchange covers Birkhill, Liff, Fowlis, & Piperdam)

Fibre broadband is not currently available in this area. Digital Scotland plans to extend fibre broadband coverage in this area. Work under the Digital Scotland programme means that the first premises in this area are currently expected to receive fibre broadband in the period July to December 2015. Please note that engineering plans and delivery timescales depend on many factors and can be subject to change. All information is based on the best view we have today using our current plans. There has been a website set up by the Digital Scotland team, which has a new interactive map, this shows which areas already have access to Next Generation Broadband and also gives information on future planned coverage, link below <http://www.digitalscotland.org/whereandwhen>

- National Confidential Forum. (time in care as children) to be put up on our Facebook Page
- Integration Matters - Angus Health & Social Care Partnership - Angus Carers is leading on a review of the Angus Carers Strategy. Carers can contact Andrea Cochrane andrea@anguscarers.org.uk , or call 01241 439157 to register - to be put up on our Facebook Page

CORRESPONDENCE - All of this correspondence has been forwarded to the MBLCC Councillors
These do not need discussion unless a Community Councillor or Attendee wishes to raise any subject

- Scottish Rural Parliament - Reforming local democracy #ruralhour
- What's New April Editions
- Invitation to host the next Scottish Rural Parliament in 2016
- External Funding Newsletters- April Editions
- Inspiring Empowerment Event – Report
- STP launches new towns web
- #ruralhour chat (9pm-21st April) Community Empowerment (Scotland) Bill
- A Day for Towns - Towns Tea Party, AGM, Book Launch and more!
- SURF's new-look monthly e-bulletin!

BUSES

- Concern had been expressed about the School Bus turning at the School and the speed of the bus through the village after dropping the children at the School. Information fed to Angus Council for action

ROADS

- Inspection regarding the road surface at the A923/B954 junction - This will be monitored and a Priority Rating submitted for consideration. This will be considered alongside other sites against limited budgets.

FINANCE

- Insurance Form for completion - Ongoing

WEB SITE

- Ongoing

PLANNING

- **1 Ref 15/00329/FULL** - Extension to existing Multi-Purpose leisure and activity centre at Piperdam Golf and Country Club, Piperdam DD2 5LP. The Community Council distributed a leaflet to inform Piperdam Residents of this application. Residents made representation and requested a Planning Objection on various grounds be forwarded to Angus Council.
- **2 Ref: 15/00312/CLU** - Removal of existing garage and erection of extension at 32 Post Box Road, Birkhill, DD2 5PX
- **3 Ref: 15/00332/FULL** - Ground floor alterations reinstating single storey outbuildings to provide double garage , wine cellar and boiler room to west elevation at Dower House, 8 Church Road, Liff, DD2 5NN
- **Ref: 15/00333/LBC** - Listed building consent application for Planning application 15/00332/FULL at Dower House, 8 Church Road, Liff, DD2 5NN
- **5 Ref: 15/00386/LBC** – Extension to dwelling house at 7 Osprey View, Piperdam, Fowlis DD2 5LZ for a Mr & Mrs A Davidson

SOUTH WEST SIDLAW DEVELOPMENT TRUST

- Andrew Morton of Local Energy Scotland has assisted with the CARES (Community and Renewable Energy Scheme) Grant Application Form. The next step is to appoint a Project manager.

A O C B

- The Litter Bins at Woodlands Road and the Piperdam Drive Bus Shelter have been moved – Are they to be resited as previously positioned

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 4TH JUNE AT 7PM IN THE MILLENNIUM HALL BIRKHILL

ONGOING ISSUES

To be discussed only if there is a change to the current position and the item is not on the Standard Agenda

- **Liff** - Church Road, Woodside Road
- **Piperdam** - Core Path Gates
- **Fowlis** - Village Green
- **General** - Superfast Broadband