

Muirhead, Birkhill and Liff Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held on 3rd February 2022 via Zoom

Attendance: Alison French, Stuart Phillips, Ken Johnston, Stuart Grubb , Colin Hunter, Cllr Whiteside, Cllr Fotheringham and 4 members of the public

Apologies: Allan Todd, Cllr Hands

Minutes of Previous Meeting (2/12/21)

Proposed – Stuart Philips

Seconded – Ken Johnston

Police Report – Police report circulated – 67 calls & 8 crimes reported in our area, scam campaign information to be put on Facebook. Our Community Police Officer PC Beattie has now retired – we thanked her for all her work in our area. We do not have a named person for our area to replace her, but we do have Community Policing contacts if required.

Recycling centre update

Agreement has now been reached between Angus and Dundee councils - Angus Council residents in the Monifieth and Sidlaw areas are now able to make full use of recycling centres within Dundee.

Traffic in Muirhead and School parking

Parking at Birkhill Primary. It has been spoken about at Angus Council traffic coordinators meeting and letters have been written to parents but it is still an issue and getting worse. Local residents to log issues and take photos which will be passed to both Angus Council and Community Police.

Parking on Coupar Angus road at chemist and area round the junction / shop. Issue at chemist with cars leaving no pavement space forcing walkers onto the road and dangerous parking in other areas. Can we get markings put on pavement at chemist?

Parking at Liff Primary. This has been an ongoing discussion with the parent council and is not improving. To be raised with the Community policing again.

Actions: Cllr Whiteside to pass any issues & photos onto Angus Council

Cllr Whiteside to contact Angus Council about road markings at the chemist

AF to contact Community Policing regarding ongoing issues at both Birkhill & Liff schools and pass any photos

Speeding in Muirhead. Discussion over various options for slowing traffic speed on the 2 roads at the west end of Muirhead. Local residents to be asked for their comments to be passed to Angus Council.

Actions: Cllr Whiteside to ask Angus Council about options and a 20mph limit at the end of Muirhead

KJ to ask Angus Council for the data from the VAS

Local resident to encourage residents to send comments to Angus Council and MBLCC to pass on

Henderson Park goalposts

Goalposts are in place and waiting for the agreement to be signed by local resident and retained by MBLCC and hopefully Angus Council. This will provide public liability insurance.

Angus Community Council Scheme of Establishment Review

Currently in 2nd phase of review.

Action: all Community Councillors to review and pass back comments so we can provide a combined response

AC Training for CCs

Information from AC on suggested training. Also suggestion of a summary of CC role for potential Community Councillors.

Action: All Community Councillors to review and suggest we training we would like so we can provide a combined response. Summary of role to be created.

Ongoing Issues:

- Liff Primary citizenship award & stone caterpillar

Correspondence:

1. Angus Community Council Scheme of Establishment Review - Second Phase Consultation
2. Data protection training
3. Community Planning Partnerships- Evaluating their Effectiveness
4. Save the date - forthcoming Scottish Government webinars - investing in communities fund round 2
5. Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund LIVE
6. The Scottish Civic Trust - My Place Awards 2022
7. Angus Wide Village & Town Community Led Halls Grant Fund
8. Community Council Survey
9. Support with using IT
10. Angus Community Resilience Webinar
11. Village & Town Community Led Halls Grant Fund
12. Events for CCs: Draft National Planning Framework 4 online events during February and March
13. VAA & What's New list & road closure

Finance: Money from the PB funding from 2019 which hasn't been used due to COVID is still in the CC account.

Action: CH to speak to AC regarding how to get the benefit from the PB funding

Planning applications:

Berryhill solar farm planning application to go to the Development Standards Committee on 8th February. SP to represent the MBLCC objection to this proposal.

- 21/00803/full (29/11/2021) Demolition of existing dwelling house and erection of replacement dwellinghouse at Stonygroves New Farm House, Liff
- 21/00946/full (01/12/2021) Extension to north elevation of existing dwelling and associated internal alterations at 157 Coupar Angus Road, Muirhead
- 21/00908/full (07/12/2021) Convert integral garage to shower room at 1 The Glebe, Liff
- 21/00913/full (16/12/2021) Erection of stable block in garden ground adjacent to existing dwelling. Associated hard landscaping and surface drainage at 12 Balruddery Meadows, Balruddery
- 21/00999/full (07/01/2022) Erection of a 102metre climate sampling mast with associated laboratory building access track, drainage, water storage tanks and infrastructure at land 600meters East of Balruddery Farm for James Hutton Institute
- 21/00978/full (07/01/2022) Retrospective erection of south and east boundary wall around front garden at 1 Wood Road Birkhill
- 22/00030 (18/01/2022) Internal and external alterations and decking to house at 23 Keithhall Gardens, Birkhill

Social media: Discussion about the various types of social media we could use to spread the message of the CC. Offer of help on this.

Website – we now have access to the domain information and payments, so payment has been made for a further year. Looking to get support for the website.

Action: Cllr Fotheringham to ask AC comms team if they can assist

AF to check with Angus Council regarding hosting websites / providing permanent email address for CCs.

AF to investigate support for the website

AOCB:

Consultants looking at active travel connecting Newtyle and Dundee .

Western Gateway travel feasibility study being investigated.

Date of Next Meeting Thursday 7th April 7pm. Location to be confirmed depending on current COVID restrictions