

Muirhead, Birkhill and Liff Community Council

Draft Minutes of Meeting held on 5th December 2019 at 7pm in Birkhill Millennium Hall

Attendance: Alison French, Stuart Phillips, Ken Johnston, Alan Todd, PC G Beattie, Community Assistant (ES), and four residents from Liff.

Apologies: Cllr Hands, Cllr Whiteside, Colin Hunter, Helen Haut, Vince Taylor

Minutes of Previous Meeting (3/10/19)

Approved – Ken Johnston

Seconded – Alison French

Speeding Issues in Liff Village

Residents wish to raise concerns about the combination of a dangerous junction and speeding cars at the intersection of Woodside Road, Fowlis Road, Loch of Liff Road and Church Road. There was a serious accident at the junction on the 8th of Nov. This was the 4th accident in the last year. Report re accidents and near misses to be sent to CC from residents. Residents have already contacted Angus Council Roads Dept. and temp speed monitoring box has been installed recently. **VT** to find out if CC speed cameras can be moved to Liff. **GB** will ask for an increase in Police presence when available and if the pop-up policeman can be used. **Cllrs** to be asked to raise this at Council level. **AF** to find out if Road transport meeting is a closed meeting. A drainage problem on Woodside Rd has also been reported to Angus Council as surface water/ice is adding to the risk of accidents at the junction.

Police Report –

- Break-in at John Huband Drive during day light hours. Possible lead with a car registration.
- Quad bike stolen from Strathmartine area
- Three speeding offences followed up from Mobile Speed Van
- Report any cold calling by Kingdom Coating Roofers – Trading Standards are investigating
- Promotion of keeping lights on after dark for safety
- Residents from Liff interested in becoming volunteers for Speed Watch Scheme – **GB** to follow up
- Blether sessions at Millennium Hall - Fri 13th Dec; Mon 23rd Dec; Wed 8th Jan; Tues 21st Jan

Matters Arising:

- Street Cleaning – work has reverted to previous rota and cleaner content
- Noticeboard at Co-op – plan to match fund from CA budget to purchase
- Police Station Renovation – keep under review re opening times. Traffic problems reported due to parking spaces being blocked off
- SSE substation – work nearly finished
- Footpath at Muirhead – repair work carried out but not to a high standard
- HGVs at Lundie – Farm being sold off so less HGVs coming through for now
- Liff Primary School – contact made with new residents' association at Mains of Gray. Liaising with our CC re signage and speed limits at Liff village
- CC Website – members to decide whether commercial/business links to go on website. **CAs** to circulate list.
- Men's Shed are holding defibrillator training in the Bowling club in January – open to all

Community Assistants Update

The Community event organised by the CAs was successful in bringing the community groups together but they would have liked to have more members of the public attend. Future of the CAs post to be discussed at the Steering Group as well as the possibility of extending funding. Next projects for the CAs are resilience planning and the cinema club as well as involvement in the Participatory Budget bids.

Pavements in Liff – ongoing issue as many of the roads in Liff do not have pavements. **AF** to check if there is an existing path which is overgrown as raised via email.

Waiting Restriction Order – No waiting at any time order to come into force around Liff school, Coupar Angus Road at School Wynd and on Quarry Road, Muirhead. There is one objection so far to the restrictions on Quarry Road. **SP** to clarify reason for restriction with Angus Council and whether permission for a driveway would be given for the residents affected.

Community Council Grant Consultation

CC members felt that this consultation was not necessary and proposals would mean extra work. Any unspent money would be taken back at the end of the year. The new system would mean that contributions to community groups would no longer be possible. **AF** to check for ICO number and whether we need to pay for an annual certificate. **CH** and **AF** to draft reply to consultation for circulation.

Bi annual Meeting - last meeting was missed and no date circulated yet for next one

Community transport schemes – **AF** to talk to CAs with input from **AT** re schemes available

Lundiemuir Plantation – A tree felling order was granted to cut down trees between the Check Bar road and Piperdam entrance. A wildlife survey was undertaken beforehand but there was little notice given to residents in the area before felling took place. The CC has issued a statement and will keep further developments in this area under review.

Angus Local Development plan – VT and CH attended – no report

Lundie Church Consultation – Local interest and good attendance - await outcome of consultation

Use of Dundee Recycling Centres - ongoing negotiations – Cllr Whiteside to update if any progress

Update from SVRA – Only half of the north end cycle path has been adopted by Angus Council. Cllr Whiteside is involved with getting the remaining part of the path adopted. AC agreed to adopt the suds ponds but not the land around them. The land is being maintained by AC but this will have to be paid for by the residents association. **AT** to query if this can come under the 20 years maintenance agreement with the rest of the grounds.

Correspondence –

1. SFRS Strategic Plan
2. Angus Local Development Plan: South Angus Workshop
3. Angus Toy Appeal
4. Social Enterprise Event
5. Housing to 2040
6. Angus Residents Week
7. Facebook training notes
8. Carols at the Mart
9. Lundie Church Consultation
10. Carnoustie, Monifieth & Sidlaw PB Events Promotion
11. National Lottery 25 fund
12. Review of polling districts & places – no changes in our area (post)
13. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 Sexual Entertainment Venues (post) – **AF** to comment and circulate
14. Glasdon gateways, bins etc. (post)
15. VAA & What's New list & roadworks

Planning Applications

19/00684/full 03/10/2019 Formation of access and hard standing areas, siting of storage container and associated infrastructure (retrospective) at Greenacres, Dronley

19/00744/full (retrospective) replacement biomass shed at Templeton Christmas Trees (not published on the weekly list)

19/00632/full 13/11/2019 Change of use of land to garden ground and erection of BBQ hut at 19 Osprey Road Piperdam

19/00734/full 11/11/2019 Proposed two storey side extension to dwelling house & demolish garage at 7 Westgreen Wynd, Liff

Finance – No update

Web site / Social Media – No update

AOCB – Alan Todd agreed to join the CC as a co-opted member

Date of Next Meeting Muirhead and Birkhill Millennium Hall, Thursday 6th Feb at 7pm