

# Auchtermuchty & Strathmiglo Community Council

Minute of the 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Community Council,  
Held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May  
in the Strathmiglo Village Hall.

PRESENT: 1. Bill TORRANCE [Strathmiglo], 2. Alan MUIRHEAD [Auchtermuchty], 3. Bobby Thomson [Gateside], & 4. George AITKEN [Strathmiglo].

ATTENDING: Cllr. Andy HEER, Christine Little, Marj Keddie

1.0 WELCOME & APOLOGIES: The Vice Chair welcomed members attending.

Apologies: Jane KERR [Strathmiglo], Cllr. Donald LOTHIAN, and Cllr. David MACDIARMID

2.0 CO-OPTION OF NEW MEMBERS:

Two members were put forward for co-option to the Community Council to represent Auchtermuchty, Christine LITTLE and Marj KEDDIE. AGREED

3.0 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS:

The resignation of Andy HEER, now Cllr. Heer has left a vacancy as Chair, George Aitken was proposed by Alan Muirhead and seconded by Bill Torrance. AGREED

This in turn left a vacancy as Vice-Chair, Jane Kerr was proposed by Alan Muirhead and seconded by George Aitken. AGREED

4.0 MINUTES:

The Minute of the meeting held in Gateside Memorial Hall on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2012 was accepted by those present.

5.0 MATTERS ARISING: NONE

6.0 POLICE MATTERS:

6.1 Community Engagement Meeting [CEM]: the May meeting was not particularly well attended but did raise a new priority focussing on the Cross in Auchtermuchty and the anti-social behaviour that has occurred recently. The next CEM will be in Strathmiglo on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

7.0 FIFE COUNCIL MATTERS:

7.1 Strathmiglo;

7.1.1 **Bellfield Chicken Farm/Development site;** Cllr. Heer will talk to Cllr. Lothian to see what has been said about the site.

7.1.2 **Closure of the A912;** G. Aitken questioned the need for the closure as most of the markings showing the position of the planned repairs so far are at the side of the road involving drains. He also wished it pointed out these areas had been previously repaired, repairs which were obviously not up to an acceptable standard.

7.2 Auchtermuchty

7.2.1 **Forest Hills;** this property has been the centre of a number of disturbances recently and there was the question raised as to whether such incidents

involving police attendance were brought to the attention of the Licensing Committee. It was suggested that this would be best brought up at the forthcoming CEM

7.3 Dunshalt

7.3.1 **Dunshalt CA AGM;** Cllr. Heer hopes to attend the Dunshalt Community Association's AGM at which he will promote membership of the Community Council.

7.4 Gateside;

7.4.1 **Bower Park:** the 20mph limit appears to be being ignored by some locals causing concern among the residents. The Chair recommended that the police be contacted at the time of the offence – which can be done anonymously – or brought up with the local police officers at the next CEM.

8.0 OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS:

8.1 **Water;** a water leak in the Low Road Auchtermuchty went unattended for at least a week after being reported. Work though appears to be undertaken at present.

9.0 PLANNING

9.1 **Planning Website:** The Secretary has contacted Fife Planning regarding the website access and problems that have been arising. Fife IT made comment that there are 'bugs' they are endeavouring to work round but that the software provider is reluctant to make changes to the basic software.

9.2 **Maps/plans:** the maps/plans being used by Fife Planning were brought into question when it was noted on a recent plan details that are a number of years out of date. Cllr. Heer will raise the issue at a Planning training session that he is to attend.

9.2 **Objections;** It was raised as a point of information that if five or more objections – these may be from individuals – are raised then an application will be put to Committee and not dealt with by a Council officer.

The Secretary reported on those applications that appeared on the Fife list since the last meeting.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE

The Secretary listed the incoming and outgoing correspondence since the previous meeting, copies of which are, where possible, forwarded to members by email.

Of note;

10.1 Living Lomonds Landscape Partnership; this email had been forwarded as it was unclear at the time that it was an invitation only event. The Secretary will contact the organisers for further information and contact those expressing an interest.

11.0 AOCB;

11.1 **Auchtermuchty Community Centre:** The Community Council has a representative on the committee running the centre, this post has now fallen vacant. As both Alan Muirhead and Marj Keddie attend the meetings of the committee it was felt that the Community Council would be well represented.

10.0 Date and venue of next meeting.

Auchtermuchty Community Centre, at 7.30pm Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2012