

Auchtermuchty & Strathmiglo Community Council

Minute of the 36th Meeting of the Community Council,
Held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 28th April 2014
in Gateside Memorial Hall.

PRESENT: 1. Marj KEDDIE [Auchtermuchty], 2. Jane KERR [Strathmiglo], 3. Alan MUIRHEAD [Auchtermuchty], 4. Bobby THOMSON [Gateside], 5. Bill TORRANCE [Strathmiglo]

ATTENDING: Cllr. Andy HEER

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

Apologies: George AITKEN [Strathmiglo], Christine LITTLE [Auchtermuchty], Valerie WEIR [Gateside]

2.0 MINUTES:

The Minute of the meeting held in Dunshalt Village Hall on Monday 31st March was accepted by those present with one correction.

5.4 "next Community Council meeting" should have read "the May Community Council meeting".

3.0 MATTERS ARISING: none

4.0 OTHER BUSINESS:

4.1 **Demperston Wind Turbine**; the Secretary explained that due to the applicant submitting new information, the application had been re-advertised and therefore comments/objections were called in again. The Secretary reiterated our original objection.

4.2 **Scottish Rural Parliament**; the Secretary alerted members to a communication concerning the formation of the Scottish Rural Parliament [SRP]. The matter will be deferred to the May meeting to give members time to read up on the SRP.

5.0 POLICE MATTERS:

5.1 **Next Community Engagement Meeting**; the date and location has been chosen to coincide, rather than compete, with the next Community Council meeting. It will be held at 7pm on the 26th May in Strathmiglo.

6.0 FIFE COUNCIL MATTERS: [not already covered]

6.1 Gateside;

6.1.1 **Roadside litter**; Cllr. Heer has spoken to Councillors in neighbouring Perth & Kinross as most of the litter is on the Perth & Kinross side of the border. Remedial works have apparently been started.

6.2 Strathmiglo;

6.2.1 **Cash Feus road sign**; the road sign at the junction of Cash Feus and the A912 is need of repair. Still no action has been taken.

6.2.2 **Skateboard Park**; it was noted that an application for building works has been submitted.

6.2.3 **Bellfield Development**; a renewed application has been submitted. It is presumed that this is to allow the applicant more time before starting the development. The

Secretary questioned whether an objection could be raised against a renewal application. The Secretary will write requesting that if the application is granted that site clearance as soon as possible, should be a condition.

6.2.4 **Drinking in public signage;** it appears that in the replacement of lamp standards in the village, the drinking in public signs were not transferred to the new standards but left attached to, and removed with, the old standards.

6.3 Auchtermuchty

6.3.1 **Drinking in public;** more signs have been placed.

6.3.2 **Station Road complaints;** complaints have been made concerning the state of the yard at 'Top Tyres'. Cllr. McDairmid has visited the yard and was asked to request signage for the Business Park on the A91. If individual businesses wish to have signs then they will have to pay for them.

6.3.3 **'Change of use' application;** local residents have questioned the application by Fife Council concerning the change of use of the old surgery to domestic accommodation. Previously all advice received on enquiry was that no change of use would be granted for commercial to domestic in the Cross. The Secretary felt that this might have been because of the dearth of commercial properties in the Cross.

6.4 Dunshalt – none

7.0 OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS:

7.1 BT broadband; broadband upgrades are going ahead in Auchtermuchty, it is hoped that neighbouring communities will follow shortly.

8.0 PLANNING: The Secretary reported applications that appeared on the Fife list since the last meeting not already discussed within the meeting.

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE: [not already covered during the meeting.] The Secretary will continue to forward correspondence to members, unless they state otherwise, from the various organisations with connection to the Community Council.

Of note:

9.1 Association for the Protection of Rural Scotland; the renewal of the subscription is due, it was agreed to carry membership on for another year.

9.2 Kinloch Quarry; the application for development was granted with 48 conditions. It is hoped that Fife Council will ensure that all these conditions are met in full.

9.3 Forestry Draft Plan; information was forwarded to members by the Secretary

9.4 Big Lunch 2014; information to be passed on to the Community Associations, it was felt that they would be better placed to organise such an event.

10.0 AOCB; none

12.0 Date and venue of next meeting.

Monday 26th May, at 7.30pm, Strathmiglo Village Hall [following the Police CEM meeting].