

Auchtermuchty & Strathmiglo Community Council

Minute of the 7th Meeting of the Community Council,
Held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 29th June 2015
in Gateside Memorial Hall

PRESENT: 1. George AITKEN [Strathmiglo], 2. Raymond HARDING [Auchtermuchty] 3. Jane KERR [Strathmiglo], 4. Christine LITTLE [Auchtermuchty], 5. Alan MUIRHEAD [Auchtermuchty], 6. Bobby THOMSON [Gateside], 7. Bill TORRANCE [Strathmiglo], 8. Valerie WEIR [Gateside],

ATTENDING: Cllr. Andy HEER

1.0 WELCOME & APOLOGIES: The Chair welcomed members attending.

Apologies: Susan JACK [Gateside], Cllr. Donald LOTHIAN

2.0 MINUTES:

The Minute of the meeting held in Auchtermuchty Community Centre on Monday 25th May was accepted by those present with one correction;
6.2.4 Services buses; it was felt that the use of the word 'unadopted' was inappropriate in this case as it had not been established that the road in question was indeed unadopted. Fife Council has agreed to repair this section of road in the past – though this is not in itself proof of adoption/unadoption.

3.0 MATTERS ARISING: none

4.0 OTHER BUSINESS:

4.1 Binn Farm CLG: the Secretary and Jane Kerr attended the rescheduled meeting and found that it clarified a number of points concerning the agreement e.g. payments to the 'fund' are scheduled with an initial payment at 6 months after beginning of generation of electricity followed by annual payment for 25 years. A final draft of the agreement is being drawn up and will be circulated to all organisations concerned.
Once this agreement is signed off [as part of a pre-planning condition] the planning application will be submitted and we await the decision of Perth & Kinross.

5.0 POLICE MATTERS: the Secretary has had no communication with ward officers.

6.0 FIFE COUNCIL MATTERS: [not already covered]

6.1 **Gateside;**

6.1.1 Non-adoption of the Old Town; a reply has been sent to residents by Fife Council giving reasons for the non-adoption. Residents have yet to respond.

6.2 **Strathmiglo;**

6.2.1 King George V play park; work continues with residents pleased with the standard of work so far.

6.2.2 King George V park; the issue of the southern fence was raised with the landowner by Cllr. Heer. Mr Brown holds that the fence is in a fit condition and it is monitored.

6.2.3 A912 entrance via Toll Bridge; given the tendency of drivers to stray over the centre line of the road between East Mill Court and the Cash Feus junction with the A912, Bill Torrance requested that the central white line marking be 'raised' [several coats of paint perhaps] to attract drivers attention to the fact that they are doing this. Cllr. Heer will find out if this is possible or an alternative available.

6.3 Auchtermuchty;

- 6.3.1 War Memorial; repair work has been undertaken and although well fitted the damaged stone has been put in place where a replacement stone would have been preferred.
- 6.3.2 Town Hall refurbishment; it appears that works have come to a halt before their completion. Areas of the building have seen no repair work – though in need of it – and all works appear to have ceased. Cllr. Heer will enquire.
- 6.3.3 Burnside lamps; lamp no. 2 in Burnside is seen to be on 24/7 and a number of other lamps have issues. No report has been made. Cllr's will request checks be made.
- 6.3.4 Street signage; a request was made for Station Road and Burnside signage be made clear particularly to the south of the Low Road/Cupar Road. It was suggested the inclusion of 'leading to Station Road' on the Burnside sign.
- 6.3.5 Lochiebank Crescent garden; a garden in Lochiebank Cres. that has been maintained by Fife Council in the past has become overgrown, a request was made by a resident that works be carried out.
- 6.3.6 Weeds; the general spread of weeds around Auchtermuchty's roads/pavements is causing concern Cllr. Heer pointed out to the meeting that spraying had taken place but may take some time to have an effect as the mixture used is quite weak as a safety issue.

6.4 Dunshalt;

- 6.4.1 Community Council meetings representation; the Dunshalt Community Association contacted the Secretary and it hoped that they will now be represented at future meetings [Ian Macaulay]. The Secretary has sent dates and locations of the forthcoming meetings. An apology was included for the closed hall at the last meeting scheduled to be in Dunshalt. Dates of future meetings to be held in Dunshalt will be sent to the new hall keeper.

7 OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS;

- 7.1 Broadband; it is thought that all exchange boxes are now in place and final connections will now be made. It was thought that this was the reason for the notified road closures in Auchtermuchty.

8.0 PLANNING: The Secretary has drawn applications that appeared on the Fife list to the attention of members.

Of note;

- 8.1 East Mill Farm house; the Community Council will put in a comment regarding this application mentioning its concerns including the exit from the site on to the A912, the lack of line of sight from and to such an exit caused by the Toll Bridge parapet, and the flooding/drainage problems in the area.

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; none

10.0 AOCB; none

11.0 Date and venue of next meeting.

Monday 31st August 2015, at 7.30pm, Strathmiglo Village Hall