

Auchtermuchty & Strathmiglo Community Council

Minute of the 12th Meeting of the Community Council,
Held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 25th January 2016
in Strathmiglo Village Hall.

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

ATTENDING: Cllr. Andy HEER, Cllr. Donald LOTHIAN

1.0 WELCOME & APOLOGIES: The Chair welcomed members attending.

Apologies: Susan JACK [Gateside] Valerie WEIR [Gateside],

2.0 MINUTES:

The Minute of the meeting held in Gateside Memorial Hall on Monday 30th November, having been circulated to members, was accepted by those present.

3.0 MATTERS ARISING: None

4.0 OTHER BUSINESS:

4.1 Binn Eco Park; the Secretary brought the meetings attention to a report in the papers concerning the proposed wind farm. As a result of changes to government subsidies there may be a change in plans, though nothing has been heard from the company itself.

5.0 POLICE MATTERS:

5.1 Speeding; the traffic van and officers have been in evidence, but there is still a problem – particularly early in the morning and late at night. Members presented a variety of solutions -some quite novel – to the meeting.

6.0 FIFE COUNCIL MATTERS: [not already covered]

6.1 Strathmiglo;

6.1.1 A91 road sign; the large sign to the east of the A91/A912 junction that collapsed last year has not been replaced. The smaller tourist route sign that also came down is still lying in the undergrowth. Locals were wondering as to the progress of replacements.

6.1.2 Pavement gritting; it was reported that during the recent freezing conditions, the pavement passing Glebe Park was only partially gritted causing concern amongst local residents, a number of which are elderly.

6.1.3 King George V Playpark; a local resident had raised the issue of lighting around the playpark area as some of the features included present a trip hazard. Discussion followed mainly concerning the wisdom of walking through the playpark at night.

6.2 Auchtermuchty;

6.2.1 Roads adoption report; [raised under Auchtermuchty but does effect the other communities] Cllr. Heer reported to the meeting that the report from Fife Council has been delayed until February. Its contents are awaited with interest.

6.2.2 Road surface of A91; the meeting was informed that all of the recently repaired road surface through Auchtermuchty is to be replaced with the required road

closures. No date has been set, though the meeting was assured that the company responsible would meet the costs.

- 6.2.3 Mournipea potholes; it was noted with interest that it was recently reported that there were indeed 43 potholes recorded by Transportation in Mournipea. It was hoped that they would be repaired shortly.

A general discussion followed concerning the procedure for conducting pothole repairs, the standard of repair of potholes in the community as a whole and the generally poor lifespan of such repairs.

6.3 Dunshalt;

- 6.3.1 Village in Bloom; it was reported that the Community Association has received funds to take part.
- 6.3.2 Defibrillator; the local community is taking steps to raise funds for the installation of a defibrillator in the village.
- 6.3.3 Local shop; it was reported, with some concern, that the local shop may close. The Community Association has been looking at possible ways for it to be retained but is not confident that this is possible.

6.4 Gateside; none

7.0 OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS; none

8.0 PLANNING: The Secretary drew applications that appeared on the Fife list to the attention of members reminding them that these can be accessed by members directly from the Fife Council website and indeed they can sign up to have the weekly list emailed directly to them.
Of note; none

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; the new Scotland Bill has been released and the Secretary recommended members make themselves familiar with its contents.

10.0 AOCB; none

11.0 Date and venue of next meeting.
Monday 29th February 2016, at 7.30pm, Auchtermuchty Community Centre.