

Scone Community Council minutes for 31 March 2014.

Attendees were: D. McKerracher, B. Paterson, D. Sutherland, H. Mackinnon, D. Dykes, C. Price

1. **Welcome** from acting Chairperson: D. Dykes

2. **Apologies** for absence: V .Shand. L. Simpson, A. Sinclair

3. **Police report:** Email report from Community police officer, WPC Pam Blowers.
First half of report contains general crime prevention advice.

Crimes / incidents of note

Vandalism to parked cars

Break-in at property in Victoria Road.

4. **Adoption of the minutes Feb 24th 2014.** .

Amendments to minutes regarding wording of report on Bandirran wind farm to clarify correct total of comments of support or objection.

Proposer: D McKerracher Seconder B. Paterson.

5. **Correspondence.**

Replies from proposed attendees at joint meeting 4 Councillors, 3 Scottish Water, 2 SEPA. J Swinney, MSP and representatives from PKC Flooding & Legal teams

B Renton re flooding

Tayplan

Tree management report

Pam Rodalski - Euan Walker's co-option onto committee is allowable as he is now on the local Electoral register.

6. **Treasurer's Report:** £ 855.53 less £33.00 room hire

S&DCC Accounts are now requiring to be audited, Marion Forgan to be approached but we understand we need to seek a new auditor next year.

7. **Convenor's reports.**

Planning.

During the period since the last meeting, 4 applications have been submitted with 3 approvals for individual extensions and alterations.

PKC require the following conditions for 13 houses in Stormont Road

Drainage: SW foul water drainage is ok

Surface water drainage still requires approval by PKC.

SUDS system will have to be implemented.

1) Roads and associated works shall be constructed in conformity with the Council's specifications and to the satisfaction of the Council as Planning Authority prior to the occupation of the houses.

2) Prior to the occupation and use of the approved development all matters regarding access, car parking, road layout, design and specification, including the disposal of surface water, shall be in accordance with the standards required by the council as Roads Authority and to the satisfaction of the planning authority.

No application as yet from developer.

Communications: discussion regarding email account for chairperson, separate password for website security.

PACC: No meeting yet, perhaps to take place in March and October with Howard Duthie.

Open Spaces: Fiasco in the Park! Contractor has raked over soil but reinstatement is not complete. There is now a grating on the outlet.

Scone Memorial Fund: a meeting was held with Gillian Doogan, head teacher, to facilitate the setting up of an award to be given within the school. She will arrange a meeting with her staff to introduce the idea and discuss the best way to progress this proposal within the constraints of the curriculum. Account balance is £2939.57

8 Councillor's report from Cllr Simpson given in his absence by C.Price hence no discussions held.

- 1) Park/Pond – work is continuing today around the pond and I understand that the entrance opposite the Institute is also in line for a spruce up in advance of the opening of the bowling green. Doug Sutherland deserves recognition for all his efforts with the Ballcourt drainage.
- 2) I spent some time walking round Scone last Wednesday evening with Inspector David Rankine who is the new Police inspector for this area.
- 3) Community Education colleagues will initiate a Public Meeting with a view to forming a “Friend Group” for those who may be affected by the “ Barrel Drain”. It would be most helpful if the Community Council were to suggest a couple of participants. No action will be taken until after this Friday's Meeting.
- 4) Would it be possible to clarify issues about the Community Council 's offer of WIFI provision in the Institute? There was concern expressed at the last Institute Management Meeting and I would suggest an early resolution.

9. Scone Village Association Report

D.Sutherland: drew attention to the excellent Destiny publication for up-to-date information about the community.

Volunteers are required for the Ball court, 9 football teams regularly use the facility.

Proposal to investigate the installation of Christmas lights in the village. Cost approx. £8-£10 000.

Investigations are ongoing regarding a defibrillator for the village.

SVA is holding the AGM 13th May.2014

10 Barrel Drain and Flooding issues: report by D.McKerracher.

Report on the joint meeting on Friday 4th April with PKC. SEPA, SW John Swinney and CC

Response from B Renton regarding our request for immediate steps to be taken by PKC to address their Riparian responsibilities in respect of the maintenance of the drains in their ownership.

With limited works in hand shortly, they are still disputing their liabilities in other areas. We should continue to pursue this matter in order to get a greater agreement on the need for PKC action. Wheel Inn problems are continuing with no further work since the 10th February. There is a discrepancy between PKC understanding (as given by the Flood Dept to Councillors)and the apparent understanding by the Wheel Inn management. The ongoing anticipated works, with the costs to date appear to be unclear to these parties and require to be clarified. Costs incurred by PKC up to 10/2/14 are in the order of £30k and accruing at the rate of £2k per week since for hired items.

Friends of the Barrel Drain: discussion of the formation of this group in the future.

Potential involvement of the CC, Councillor Simpson, riparian owners, Jill Motion communities education officer for PKC. Concerns were expressed as to whether 2 organisations might work at cross purposes or rework ground already covered.

Bleachie Burn No final answer yet as to ownership, BT contacted in Dundee and have promised to investigate their ownership position, still work in progress.

11. Bandirran Wind Farm: report by D. McKerracher

Banks have submitted planning application No 14/00097/FLM.

Following receipt of various responses we have circulated a draft response to hand in to PKC on 1/04/14.

22 consultees responded 12 objected, 10 no objection.

AOCB

E. Walker co-option to committee – it was agreed to postpone this as Ewan is away from home for an extended period.

WiFi: some progress to report, D. Dykes will contact Andrew Sinclair with a view to connecting wifi

Costs and responsibility were discussed as potential problems.

Minutes to be published in the library, hard copy or printed on request or posted on notice boards.

RDM School Fair: It was suggested that the CC take a stall with a view to promote our activities. It was decided to investigate further including costs.

Meeting closed 8.55 pm. Date of next meeting 28th April 7.30 RDM Institute

May meeting is the AGM (26th May 2014)

C.Price, Secretary

V.Shand, Chairperson