

## Score Community Council Minutes of Meeting October 31<sup>st</sup> 2016

**Attending were:** V. Shand, D. Dykes, B. Paterson, H Mackinnon, D. McKerracher, M. Rhodes, J Belch, G. Clark, Councillor L. Simpson and 20 members of the public.

1. **Welcome** from Chair V. Shand.  
G. Clark was welcomed as a newly co-opted committee member.
2. **Apologies for absence:** C. Price
3. The chair introduced Gill Motion, Community Capacity Building Officer from PKC, who gave a presentation about setting up a Community Action Plan in which all local, intergenerational groups liaise to prioritise actions in order to improve the living environment for all. Her remit is to give advice to community organisations about access to funding from lottery or other sources, how to collate information, ie questionnaires to ascertain what the good/bad issues were in a local community and set out a vision for the future. She shared an example of a successful plan produced for South Perth 2 years ago. The Community Action Partnership meeting is next week to which we will send a representative and we have asked that all local organisations give their details to the CC in order to provide a platform for future development of our own local Action Plan.
4. **Police Report** – None available.  
Police Scotland will no longer issue reports to Community Councils but a Commander’s Bulletin is issued and should contain all information about incidents in the local area.
5. **Adoption of the September minutes Minutes & Matters Arising.**

The minutes were proposed by B. Paterson, seconded by D. Dykes and duly signed.

Matters arising. 1) December issue of the Destiny is issued to all households in the **PH2 6** area, a missing 6 has now been inserted.

The minutes are available to the assembled company 10 minutes before the opening of the meeting for comment and discussion. Each month the adopted minutes are emailed to PKC, displayed in the village library and uploaded to the website.

### 6. Correspondence

Date sent	Content	Reply
22/09	Proposed dev of 700 houses pkc Nick Brian	28/09 acknowledgement. 10/10 reply
22/09	Scone planning matters pkc Nick Brian	28/09 acknowledgement reply by 19/10?
	Questionnaire results. Dev of 700 houses, Nick Brian, briefing session offered, no date. A full council meeting in December will define the CTRL project more fully.	10/10 reply
26/09	Perth Airport	29/09 acknowledgement. Reply by 20/10?
18/10	Scone planning matters B. Renton, cllrs. Miller, simpson, melloy, grant, barrett, parrott maclellan,	19/10 acknowledgement. Reply by 09/11

	stewart. To clarify the incorrect use of the terminology regarding CTRLR/ Committed Project	
20/10	Scone Planning matters CTRLR terminology. B. Malone local councillors as above. Msps J. Swinney, M. Fraser	27/10 acknowledgement
23/09	Barrel drain survey results on pen drive and 7 problem location photographs	27/10

#### **7. Treasurer's report:**

Funds are currently £679.20. £28.85 for the last CC meeting, £20.40 for the SG meeting and £30 for the Remembrance Day poppy wreath.

#### **8. Convenor's reports:**

##### **Planning.**

During the period since the last meeting there have been no minor applications or extensions/alterations approved. During the month we were, as a CC not notified, however residents in Birch Avenue were informed of a proposed development. PKC Housing Department held public event on 27/10/16, to show their proposals to submit a planning application to demolish the former children's home and erect 20 houses on the site.

We shall be writing to PKC to register a protest that this development could be a breach of the 10 house embargo contained in the LDP. Cllr Simpson pointed out that, as the site was a brownfield site, ie already had building on it, it would not be subject to the 10 house embargo.

##### **Revisions to the Local Development Plan**

No further information is anticipated until after the summer recess 2017.

##### **Proposed Housing Developments outwith Scone**

We have received no further information regarding the proposed public event for the Proposed Residential Development of 100 Houses at Balbeggie.

We have received no further information regarding the Proposed Development at Perth Airfield.

**Communications.** No report available.

**PACC:** AST director is hoping to develop Perth Airport as a major aviation academy.

Skywatch is a group of aviation enthusiasts who fly their own equipment from the airport and have been called upon to help authorities (not Police Scotland) locate missing items from the air.

There is no timescale attached to the housing development, changes in the road system are at an early discussion stage.

**Community Open Space:** Discussion took place concerning proposed refurbishment of Stormont Way playground facilities. No reply to the letter for consultation as to how the proposed funding might be transferred to other relevant play areas within the village despite repeated contact. Suggestion was made to explore whether funding may be available for an outdoor gym. Local interest is to be explored by asking for opinions on relevance to the local community, types of equipment and ideas for location, in an article in the next edition of Destiny.

#### **9. Councillor's report:**

Road safety: PKC are not keen on introducing the 20mph strategy or the traffic free zone school exclusion zones. Cycle lanes have been removed from Tay Street to be replaced by car parking places. All areas of 2 High Street are not completed and the wider pavement outside with parking means a hold up when a bus stops.

Balgavie roundabout flowerbeds removed means safer traffic flow!

The watercourse area of the Bleachie has been cut by PKC along with an entire area clearance, thanks to local residents who keep the path clear throughout the growing season.

The strategy behind the resurfacing of a very minor road, with a 5 ton weight limit, serving 2 houses and 1 farm (in the Wolfhill Area) was because the road was too bad to patch. The Stormontfield and Scone Palace Events and Racecourse road will be patched up next year.

Cllr Simpson referred to the response from Nick Brian, Interim Head of Service Planning and Development, regarding the offer of a mediation event with the developers A&JStephen, landowners, PKC and the community regarding the proposed housing development, this would follow the format piloted by the Scottish Government to be found at

<http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2009/03/10154116/0>. G. Clark felt that this was an inappropriate method of dealing with this matter and there was no mandate for such a meeting. J Belch stated that a public meeting might be more useful. Cllr Simpson felt PKC were waiting for a response from the CC. Discussion of the CTRL is not yet on the agenda list for the full council meeting in December.

**No Cold Caller** stickers are available from Scone Post office and the Council which make it illegal for a "Cold Caller" to appear at your door.

Residents advised to report or photograph pothole problems on 476476, more complaining, more results!

#### **10. Scone Village Association.**

'Singing for Fun Group' in Scone Old Church Hall on Tuesday evenings.

Table Tennis on Wednesday evenings, all welcome.

**19<sup>th</sup> November 2016** ( Saturday ) - The Village Christmas Festive Coffee Morning in the Institute is to raise money for the village Christmas lights. Annual costs are £2750 for installation, dismantling and maintenance. This year we will have 17 features and switch on is **24<sup>th</sup> November**.

**The Destiny:** dates for submission: 2017: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January; Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March; Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May; Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July; Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September; Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.

**11. Study Group.** The revised remit for the group was agreed and passed by all involved and will be reviewed in 12 months time.

Progress report was given by M. Rhodes. Peter Pearson from Bertha Park CC attended the October meeting and gave an overview of how their group tackled a large scale housing proposal by contacting every single councillor by letter to lobby their support to vote against the development at the Council Chamber level.

The SG met with **MSP Murdo Fraser**, he will investigate the 5 points raised and report back ASAP.

After being contacted by the SG, green **MSP Mark Ruskell** wrote to B. Malone and received a reply which was identical to letter from Bea Nichol which was sent to the CC previously. A meeting has been arranged with Mark for the 18<sup>th</sup> November.

**MSP J. Swinney** has been asked to "Call In " the flawed housing proposal for further examination.

Nick Brian PKC, has not answered the questions raised by the results of the questionnaire in the 6 page letter which was sent by the CC.

Thanks to Mike Moir for very good articles in the Destiny and Gordon Clark has now joined the SG.

#### **12. Scone North Housing Proposals :**

There has been no further information forthcoming from the developers since the last meeting.

We have written to a number of senior officers of Perth & Kinross Council to clarify the confused position regarding statements by various officers that "**The CTRL is a committed project**". So far we have not received any response. .

We have received confirmation from PKC that the DMBR Stage 2 process for the CTRL should be completed by December 2016 and they propose thereafter to hold meeting for all affected CC's.

We are still addressing a response to a number of matters, raised in the PKC response to the submission of the questionnaire. A briefing session to inform about the timing and the funding of the CTRL has been offered to the communities affected by the CTRL, as yet no date for this.

PKC have recently formed a "Fairness Commission", whose main objective is "**reducing health inequality and ensuring that Perth & Kinross is a place where everyone enjoys a pleasant and safe environment.**"

We are intending to write to the Fairness Commission to seek their assistance regarding the current and potential pollution at Bridgend and routes leading to it.

**13. AOCB.** 1) Birch Avenue Housing neighbour notification, no contact with CC has been made. As this is a brownfield site, it may well be exempt from the embargo on no more than 10 houses until the CTRL is a "committed" project?

It was agreed that the project was welcome in the village providing much needed council housing.

**2)** The Remembrance Wreath will be laid on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at the War Memorial. **3)** The report of the biannual Council CCTV survey of the Barrel Drain shows 7 locations of deterioration and owners are to be contacted re their riparian duties to keep the watercourse clear and free running. CLLR Simpson stated that, with new smaller technology, more of the BD could be successfully surveyed, 2 years ago less than 50% was visible. A more comprehensive report on the findings will be issued by the CC in due course.

**4)** Scone Remembers are continuing with their endeavours to provide a path between Scone and the Palace, costs have risen to £250 000 and finding funding, ie lottery, is becoming increasingly difficult. A letter of support from the CC has been requested. **5)** Cllr Simpson is now the Fairtrade Champion for the Scone area to support P&K becoming a Fairtrade Zone. **6)** A member of the public paid tribute to a lady who wishes to remain anonymous for a donation to the SG of £50 in order to support the ongoing activities regarding the housing planning proposals.

**14.** The meeting finished at 9 10 pm. Next meeting will be held on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. at 7.30pm.