

Scone Community Council meeting notes 30th June 2014

Attending were D.McKerracher; B.Paterson; C.Price; V.Shand; D.Sutherland; H. Mackinnon, L.Simpson
2 members of the public attended.

1. Welcome from Chair. V. Shand.

2. Apologies for absence - D. Dykes

3. Police Report

Email report from our Community Police Officer WPC Pam Blowers.

Security tips for motorists.

1) Don't leave anything on display, whatever the value.

2) Satellite navigation systems. Remove cradles and suction pads and don't put sat-nav under seat or in glove box, first place a thief will look!

- mark equipment with a UV pen with your postcode and house number or vehicle registration number, anything which will help the police identify your property.
- Make a note of the make, model and serial number of your equipment and keep that information in a safe place at home, not in the car.

Recent crime/issues in our area:

2 x calls to Highfield Road, Scone- youths ringing doorbell, waving in window and running away- passing attention to be given.

Vandalism: 1) to a domestic property in Craigroyston Crescent, Scone on May 5th - person threw piece of concrete through window - one person detected for this. 2) at Old Glebe School- static caravan belonging to Scone Thistle FC. was entered overnight 18/19 May and damage caused including paint thrown about - under enquiry. 3) Fly tipping, rubbish being dumped in the country including a radiator and a TV stand. If you see any persons doing this contact the police with details of car registration numbers.

General information: heavy plant machinery being stolen from farms across Perthshire including tractors, forklift trucks and trailers.

Fraud letters being received in respect of winning large sums of money in various lotteries and asking for bank details to allow winnings to be deposited. Do not divulge details unless you are sure such requests are genuine. Charity collectors canvassing, just make sure you know all the facts before handing over money or committing bank details.

4. Adoption of the May 2014 Minutes & Matters Arising:

B Paterson proposed Adoption, seconded by D.McKerracher

5. Correspondence

- 1) Legal dept: PKC regarding ownership of the Bleachie, inconclusive searches therefore regrettably unable to provide any information.
- 2) email from Pam Blower: she will try to attend next CC meeting after the summer.

Special business raised by Councillor Simpson with permission from the Chair. Changes to the No 7 bus route now a one way system.

Mr. Simpson stated that the council did not want change, there had been no consultation but it was appreciated that there was no obligation on the part of Stagecoach to consult residents about changes until they were in place but the changes are radical after so many years of this service. He has arranged a meeting with Andrew Jarvis MD south east Scotland and the local operations manager on the 1st September. In the meantime Councillor Simpson will gather pictorial evidence to support the case for reinstatement, reconsideration or amendment of this decision. He will ask for a representative to attend next CC meeting. Stagecoach have stated that there will be a review in September.

Points of concern

- Bus now misses out the P&R so residents at the top of the village are cut off from a 10 minute circular service to necessary facilities ie shops, PO. doctor, dentist, RDML, library etc. Sheltered housing residents ie Corrie Place, Hanover Gardens only one way service.
- Additional cars parking along the village streets, in the limited open areas for parking and close to bus stops on the route in order to use the bus.
- Older type no 57 buses come from outwith the village into the P&R every 30 minutes, lower seats can be full, not disabled or pram friendly.
- Buses now turning at the Wheel Inn corner from the Perth direction and crossing the middle white line to accomplish this manoeuvre.
- The P&R may now be a waste of time

Concerned locals have written to Stagecoach but have received no satisfactory replies.

6. Treasurer's report:

We have funds of £675.67

War memorial fund now stands at £2940.07

7. Convenor's reports:

Planning. During the period since the last meeting there has been 1 application submitted for clearance of some conditions attached to the Foodstore application. The original planning application was granted on 06/01/10, subject to 14 conditions and was for 3 years. The application granted on appeal on 30/05/13, extended the date for reserved matters to 06/01/16. The current submission 14/00874/AMM, is in response to 4 of the conditions raised in the original consent. At some time they will have to submit responses to the other conditions but it would appear that as yet no firm operator has become involved.

In addition there have been 7 approvals granted for individual extensions/alterations.

D.McKerracher also pointed out that with the possible development of a foodstore, the

P&R would have to be repositioned.

Communications. Discussion of wifi provision in the Institute is ongoing. The CC website is under redevelopment with the changes of officebearers and the publishing of the minutes online with C.Price working on this aspect.

Open Spaces: The consultation regarding the redevelopment of the children's play area in the park has finished with comments taken until June 12th.

D. Sutherland showed the meeting a colourful plan of the area commenting on a change to the original plan to retain the existing fence. The tender for the work will go out in July and reconstruction will commence in Sept/Oct.

The completed drainage works have been successful in alleviating the flooding problems.

PACC: No report.

Councillor's report - Changes to No 7 bus route have already been discussed at this meeting.

Concern was expressed at the lack of attendance at CC meetings of the CC police liaison officer.

Works by Hadden construction on new flats in Perth road will be completed by the end of August.

The tarring of the bus route has been delayed.

9. Scone Village Association Report - Destiny no. 29 will be available by the 24th July 2014..

Discussions are ongoing concerning the provision of a defibrillator to be based at RDMI in consultation with Scone Surgery. The ambulance service will be approached for advice.

It is being considered to fix Xmas lights to the lighting columns in the village centre from the top pub to the Co-op, 12 sets in all.

D Sutherland reported that due to the scope of work originally planned for the drainage work in the Park being greatly reduced, the SVA monies that were earmarked for this will go towards the play equipment in the soon to be refurbished playarea in the park. This money was the underspend from the construction of the ball court.

10. Drainage matters

Barrel Drain & General Drainage within Scone

The problems with the barrel drain at the Wheel Inn are continuing but we understand from PKC that agreement has been reached with the Wheel Inn insurers and that work will start shortly. B. Paterson raised the point that there would appear to be no time scale for the repairs to commence and, while it seems the Wheel Inn insurers are co-operating, there was some doubt as to co-operation from the owner of the adjacent site. Councillor Lewis pointed out that the Council has no powers to enforce repairs. The point was again raised as to who was paying for the shoring up of the " excavation" since Feb. 6th.2014. It is hoped that at the next CC meeting it will be confirmed that a CCTV survey has been completed. Comment was made as to whether the Barrel Drain

is a tributary of the Tay. Following the August 1st. meeting with all interested parties, it was agreed to arrange a meeting with affected residents to update information. The formation of a Barrel Drain group to raise funds was discussed.

We have been in correspondence with Barbara Renton in particular regarding the A94 road crossing repairs. These works were carried out on June 4, 5, 6th although we have questioned the extent and quality of the work. We understand from PKC that they will be carrying out shortly another CCTV survey of the majority of Scone drainage including the A94 crossing. We have written invitations to all the representatives who attended the meeting on 4/4/14, inviting them to a further meeting to be held on 1/8/14. It is extremely disappointing that we have not received any response from PKC to our letters following the April meeting to both the Flooding or the Legal section.

Bleachie Burn

We wrote to the Law Society to seek their guidance in respect of both the Barrel Drain and the Bleachie ownership, however we received no help whatsoever, only supplied a list of Perth solicitors. Subsequently we have written to PKC legal department to raise the matter of BT's response and are awaiting a reply.

B.T admit to buying the residue of Murrayshall estate but have no record of sale. BT confirm the situation but maintain that it **cannot be proved** that the Bleachie is part of the residue.

11. Bandirran Wind Farm

The application is still being processed by PKC, who met with Banks in late May and we understand they are awaiting further information from Banks by the end of June. At present PKC have problems with technical errors, along with some statutory consultees, in respect of Landscape, Visual Impact and cumulative impact. Burrelton CC, SNH and the CAA are among others raising technical issues. It would seem unlikely that it will go before committee before September/ October. Banks have agreed to submit other information.

12. AOCB

The Queen's baton will pass through on the 4th July
RDM school fayre 2 CC members attended, £2,700 was raised.
Meeting closed at 8. 35.pm