

Scone Community Council Minutes of Meeting August 24th 2015

Attending were V. Shand, B. Paterson, D. Dykes, C Price, D. Sutherland, D. McKerracher , Councillor L. Simpson

2 members of the public attended.

1. Welcome from Chair. V.Shand

2. Apologies for absence – H.Mackinnon

3. Police Report – No police presence at start only copies of commanders weekly bulletins available. As D Dykes was intending to attend the annual police plan consultation on 1/9/15 suggestions were made of topics he could raise. Subsequently Officers Stewart & Laws arrived without detailed report. Officers explained that further reorganization of the community policing had taken place. A greater workload had been placed on officers and effectively they were not able to provide detailed reports or updates on progress of previous matters noted in their reports.

Reference was made about the lack of action regarding our earlier concerns about the pavement parking obstructions at the top of Angus Road and also recently reported parking problems at Cross Street/Abbey Road.

Police noted that for calls to 101 some networks were charging for calls, but these should be limited to 15p per call.

When concerns were raised by members about apparent lack of action and indeed lack of presence in Scone, it was noted that CC should contact Chief Superintendent Eddie Smith at Bell Street, Dundee.

For information

Across Perth & Kinross, and even in Scone, there are still a number of reports of individuals “cold calling” householders in an effort to obtain work, a lot of which turns out to be of inferior quality and often charged at inflated prices.

4. Adoption of the May Minutes & Matters Arising. B. Paterson proposed Adoption, seconded by C. Price.

5. Correspondence.

1) Letter from PKC dated 6/8/15 enclosing copy of most recent survey of the Annaty Burn. The report states that there are no significant flood risks and that no further action is proposed meantime. Survey will be carried out again in 6 months time.

2) Letter from Ian Miller in response to complaint about Councilor Grant. It appears that he wishes to sweep matter under carpet as no action has been indicated by either Chief Executive of Ethics Commissioner. Decided that VS should write again noting that matter is a complaint by CC not just by Hazel.

3) Letter received from Jim Valentine, some 2 months after our letter, re Wheel Inn costs. Totally unsatisfactory as letter does not address any points made by CC. Decided that we should write to Bernadette Malone to complain about the response from Jim Valentine.

6. Treasurer's report:

We have funds of £448.59 due to grant of £413.70 being received from PKC. Scone Memorial Fund now stands at £2897.38.

7. Convenor's reports:

Planning.

During the period since the last meeting there have been 2 minor applications for extensions/alterations and 2 approvals granted.

The current Banks application for Bandirran has been withdrawn but there has been little information regarding any application by the Coupar Angus Group.

A reminder that the MIR for the LDP is due out for consultation in October.

Communications. No reply been received regarding Cc elections, but we now have 240 followers.

PACC: No report, next meeting October 2015.

Community Open Space

The Bleachie has been cut using the resources of the Community Offenders Squad that was directed using the Village Association name. as it has to be a request from a registered charity ..

Copy date for the October Destiny is Friday 25th September 2015.

8. Councillor's report – The application to extend the timescale of the Bandirran trial mast has been refused planning consent.

In respect of the No 7 bus it is noted that it is 1 year since service changes took place. A new operations director of Stagecoach is currently reviewing the matter, including slack stops (recently in Stormont Road) and it is hoped that the service as previously in place will be re-instated.

If that is the scenario the public in Scone should be encouraged to use the service.

Surface treatment works have been carried out in the Spoutwells area, this may present some future problems with drainage due to raised road levels. Criminal Justice pay-back have removed graffiti from the play-park, although type of paint has changed. It is noted that the organiser of the Pay-back scheme is resident in Scone and this has maximised the opportunity for works to be carried out.

Street names operation by PKC has not operated properly and hence the selection by officers of the Belmont Park name for then recent Stormont Road Development.

Macmillan charity have convinced PKC that a change to Scone village name, for one day only, should be allowed for 25/9/15 to allow fund-raising to include the Robert Douglas jam to be associated with the village, with a coffee morning in RDMI.

A request was made that Councillor Simpson request Stagecoach to comply with the gating arrangements at the P&R facility.

9. Scone Village Association

The SVA have obtained a quote to extend the festive lights southwards by 5 lighting columns, towards Perth and

opposite the end of Bonhard Road.

To raise funds for the Village lights it is intended to hold a Coffee Morning on 14th November in the Institute.

The switch on will be during week commencing 23 November 2015.

The SVA are sponsoring an Anti - Dog Fouling campaign. The children from RDM school will design posters and the SVA will get them made into weatherproof signs for placing around the Park. There will be prizes for the designers of the posters that are used.

10. Barrel Drain & General Drainage within Scone .

Article placed in Destiny seeking support has only produced details from ONE of the owners.

It was proposed that a notice should be distributed to affected residents, basically informing residents that a substantial number were required to provide e mail details to allow for further involvement.

A draft of this notice was discussed and it was decided to issue this with minor amendments.

11. AOCB

A member of the public raised a concern regarding the condition of the footpath from Scone to Whinneyhill.

Councilor Simpson agreed that this was a problem but noted that PKC were aware of the problem and it was "on their to-do list" although it would not take place this financial year.

Bench "stolen" from Bonhard Road, PKC aware of this but not prepared to replace it. Possibly this was provided by Scone CC some 20 years ago as such unlikely to be replaced.

Scone Public Hall - in light of the information collated, it would appear that virtually all parties (other than HDNG) have ceased to use the hall and are making other arrangements. As such the CC do not propose to make any comment to the consultation.

Scone Remembers use of CC Logo- it was decided to await details of their finances and business plan prior to making any decision regarding support.

V Shand stressed the point that CC elections were due shortly and requested any applicant to take the application forms provided.

The meeting finished at 8.55.pm. Next meeting will be held on Monday, September 28th. at 7.30pm.