

Scone Community Council Minutes of Meeting October 26th 2015

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

1 member of the public attended.

1. Welcome from Chair V. Shand

2. Apologies for absence: none

3. Police Report

There was no attendance from officers, however a report had been issued and could be summarised as follows:-

Youth calls since the last meeting

Ashgrove, Scone – youths banging on windows – youths to be warned.

Crimes/Incidents since last meeting

Vandalism – Albert Road – garden wall damaged on 15 October – under enquiry

Vandalism – between 25 and 28 Sept at Robert Douglas Memorial Primary School – a skylight window was smashed – enquiries continuing to trace those responsible (repeat of incident earlier in month)

Vandalism – Balforno Road overnight 10/11 Oct – 2 tyres on a parked vehicle punctured by unknown means – undetected

Possible hare coursing in fields near Perth airport – contact the police with any details of vehicles involved in such an activity

For Information

Persons again selling chainsaws and generators round doors in Perth & Kinross - If you are offered goods being sold in this fashion, make sure you are aware of what you are buying before any money is exchanged as often these “bargains” mask shoddy quality or dangerous goods. It is also helpful for the police to get descriptions of those persons selling and also any vehicle registration numbers.

There have been a number of reports of fuel being stolen from commercial and family vehicles recently – it is worth considering investing in a lockable fuel cap if your vehicle doesn't already have this facility.

D. Dykes is to advise the Airport re the report of hare coursing in this area.

A claim for a rediscovered bench has met with failure as the said bench was not remotely like the one missing from the road to Murrayshall.

4. Adoption of the September Minutes & Matters Arising. D. Dykes proposed Adoption, seconded by Bill Paterson.

5. Correspondence. 1) Following an unsatisfactory reply to the letter to B. Malone dated 2nd October re the Jim Valentine response to explain the costs of the Barrel Drain repair, it was agreed to explore the formal complaint council ombudsman route. There would appear to be no clear accountancy audit trail. 2) All respondents to the request for a comprehensive list of people with the BD within their property have been contacted by email in an effort to increase numbers. 3) There is no response from Gillian Taylor re concerns about lack of enthusiasm for Community Council membership. It was agreed to abandon attempts to extricate a suitable apology from Councillor Grant re his inappropriate language in a letter to the secretary.

6. Treasurer's report:

We have funds of £382.59 less £33 for hall costs.

Scone Memorial Fund now stands at £2797.88.

It was agreed to explore the possibility of hiring the smaller room in the RDMI at a cost of £15.

7. Convenor's reports:

Planning.

During the period since the last meeting there have been 2 minor applications for extensions/alterations and 6 approvals granted.

Any application for Bandirran has been either withdrawn or not submitted.

The MIR for the LDP was due out for consultation in October, however we were notified today that the consultation period would now be 27/11/15 until 26/2/16, provided this is approved by committee on 18/11/15.

There is to be an increased density of housing behind the airport with an extension at Hanover Way.

Communications.

Concerns have been expressed that the web-site was not kept up to date and what was the easiest way to accomplish this so a report on the viability of keeping up to date and encouraging advertising will be prepared for the next meeting. There has been a good Facebook response with a member of the public asking how much relevant information was posted on FB and could more information be included in the Destiny publication.

PACC: At a meeting last Wednesday it was stated that there had been 2 minor complaints. There are no set operating hours so if there are any complaints re noise etc contact the CC and these can be passed on. The Scottish Aero Club is busy and the college is attracting many overseas students, studying flying and maintenance. Some students were experiencing visa problems.

The new Air ambulance helicopter is due to arrive soon, this will not operate after dark. The airport has an ambulance which it will send out to the local area in an emergency in a 5 mile radius.

Taster sessions for young people are taking place, 10 members at a time.

A new CEO, David Craig has been appointed

Community Open Space

The Recreation Park - A SVA sponsored poster campaign with the primary school created 60 items of artwork on 'anti - dog fouling. Three have been chosen and are being printed on white aluminium for display in and around the park. It is hoped that the posters will be on show within the next two weeks.

8. Councillor's report – Various road defects around the village are to be rectified, ie Stormont Road and Sandy Road with bad reinstatement by SW and SSE. The Scone to Perth pavement has been resurfaced. 2 future events : Remembrance Day parade on Sunday 8th November and St Andrews Day parade in Scone on 29th.

The Glebe school site is not suitable for a school so possible uses for housing. Birch Avenue is being temporarily used to house decanted offices from Perth.

Another No 7 bus meeting will be held with concerns being expressed re parking congestion along the village streets. To waste the time not required for the P&R, buses have been stopping for an extended period along adjacent sides of Stormont Road.

Community justice team will attend to the Bleachie once a year. A member of the public stated that his family members were maintaining the grass cutting at the moment, once a year was not enough.

9. Scone Village Association

The SVA are holding a coffee morning from 9.30 am to 12.00 on 14th November 2015 in the Institute to raise funds for the Festive Lights that will be erected on the main road from Kinnears Inn to approx the bottom of

Bonhard Road. This will happen overnight during week commencing 23rd November 2015.

As this is

a community occasion we would like a good attendance. If unable to attend, gifts for raffle prizes or straight donations will be most welcome.

Once again we are going to provide a free delivery to every house in the PH2 6** district of the December issue of Destiny. Copy date for the December issue is Wednesday 11th November, so all entries must arrive with the editor prior to this date.

10. Barrel Drain & General Drainage within Scone . **FOI Response at Wheel Inn**

Following receipt of Jim Valentine's response of 26/6/15 we wrote to Bernadette Malone on 4/9/15 requesting her to investigate the matter, with no response yet. We wrote again to Bernadette Malone on 2/10/15 requesting confirmation of receipt of our letter of 4/9/15 and again this has failed to elicit any response. In our opinion this is not only very poor manners it also gives a clear indication of the Chief Executive's opinion or concern about Community Councils. Does the CC wish to take this further and if so by what means?

Barrel Drain

As discussed at our last meeting, following the poor response for contacts, an email was sent to all 20 parties who had already registered. This was an attempt to get their assistance to gain further contacts as it was felt that 20 out of 120 was not supportive or sufficiently representative. In the event this does not appear to have gained any further support, except for one response from a recently arrived resident who was unaware of the Barrel Drain in his property. I would suggest that contact is made with the one responder but otherwise we proceed no further and a notice to this effect is sent to the 20 responders.

AOCB. H. Mackinnon agreed to lay the wreath at the Scone Remembrance Day Parade.

Thanks were expressed to D. Sutherland, a retiring member of the CC, for his 6 years of service to the CC.

The meeting finished at 9.10 pm. Next meeting will be held on Monday, November 28th. at 7.30pm.