

Scone Community Council Minutes of Meeting May 30th 2016

This meeting was also the AGM, the minutes of which will be dealt with on a separate basis.

Attending were: V Shand, B. Paterson, D. McKerracher, D. Dykes, C. Price, Councillor L. Simpson and over 50 members of the public attended.

- 1. Welcome** from Chair
- 2. Apologies for absence:** none.
- 3. Police Report** – P C Terri Williamson attended the meeting with a colleague. She advised that: 1) extra attention be paid to elderly neighbours, 2) an incident at the Albert Road Hall playgroup garden was an ongoing investigation. 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. Police Scotland are commencing a public consultation on the priorities for community policing. Open to public response on <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8LMB9WX>.
- 4. Adoption of the April minutes Minutes & Matters Arising.**

The minutes were proposed by D. Mckerracher, seconded by V. Shand and duly signed.

No matters arising not dealt with in the Agenda.

5. Correspondence.

1. Letter to PKC regarding LDP timeline, pollution and traffic flow along the CTRL. Reply explained the following: the LDP process, the decision to lift the embargo on houses before the CTRL is built and allow 100 houses to go ahead, steps taken to improve air quality, drainage approach by developers has to be finalized and no further questionnaire will be issued by PKC, when planning application is received there will be opportunities to comment.
 2. Request to PKC to clarify design of CTRL, do the developers have more information than the CC or the general public? Reply: info to date on PKC website, currently at Stage 2 DMRB process, primary function of road will be to remove traffic from Perth city centre and will be built whether or not housing occurs. All operation and function of junctions proposed by a developer will be subject to further assessment by the Council Roads authority.
3. Letter to PKC regarding 2 proposal of application notices on behalf of Morris Leslie for 50 houses at Perth Airport and 100 houses at Balbeggie. Reply : Perth Airport (MU3) is for Mixed Use on greenfield land and is subject to the embargo for planning consents for sites of 10 or more houses prior to the CTRL being a committed project but the embargo would not prevent a proposal for employment use but any PA brought forward before this, is likely to be recommended for refusal. PAN site H13 at Balbeggie same embargo on 10 or more houses for same reasons concerning CTRL.

4) info on licence for new development at Scone Racecourse.

6. Treasurer's report:

Funds are currently £32.35 with outstanding hall rentals due. PKC have agreed to forward additional funding of £200 but not yet received. This will not be an extra payment but part of the overall PKC funding.

7. Convenor's reports:

Planning. During the period since the last meeting there have been 4 minor applications for extensions/alterations and 1 approval granted.

Proposed Development at Perth Airfield

We have been notified that Morris Leslie are proposing to submit a planning application for a development, which will include the provision of houses. No details are currently available but they are holding a public event at the Airfield on 28th July 2016 at which time the potential effects on Scone Village may become apparent. We have received confirmation from PKC that this subject to housing embargo.

Proposed Residential Development at St Martins Road, Balbeggie

We have been notified that Morris Leslie are proposing to submit a planning application for a development, which will include the provision of 100 houses. No details are currently available but they are holding a public event at Balbeggie Public Hall on 25th August 2016 at which time the potential effects on Scone Village may become apparent. We have received confirmation from PKC that this subject to housing embargo.

Communications. Not too much news but provision of dedicated page for the Study Group has been made.

PACC: no report

Community Open Space: Goshen Park is finished.

8. Councillor's report: Councillor Simpson answered a question from the floor and provided further explanation as to the meaning of the CTRLR becoming a committed project ie money in place to build it. Stagecoach have reinstated the No.7 bus route going up to the top of the village with the next step to drive into the P&R facility. The frequency of buses would be reduced to a 12min service. Residents advised to report pothole problems on 476476.

9. Scone Village Association. – .

The June issue of Destiny will be published and ready for sale during the first week of June and available in the usual outlets.

The Village Association is continuing with the 'Singing for Fun' group on Tuesday evenings at 7pm in Scone Old church hall. It is open for all who would like to sing without the formality of auditions.

At the SVA AGM the guest speaker Derek Adam of Scone Thistle Juniors and co-chairman of the Scone Community Club revealed that there were approximately 280 boys and girls members taking part in football within the village. They are in desperate need of further playing areas and are getting nowhere fast in negotiations with PKC for use of the Glebe as a permanent locations and installing proper changing facilities with toilets. They are holding a fund raising event on Sunday 26th June at Farquharson Park to assist with the new facilities. We hope that the residents will support them in their quest for funds for better facilities.

The SVA have started discussing more festive lights for the village this year and hope to extend the lights dependant on the restraints of cost.

10. Scone Housing Proposals : The second community event/exhibition was held on 19th May 2016 and was attended by over 300 people.

Regrettably, despite assurances from the Developer of the proposed site, there was little improvement in the provision of more detailed information in line with the requirements stated in the Local Development Plan. Whilst some amendments had been made we considered that the event had yielded little more to provoke comment.

We consider that the consultation had not been carried out in accordance with the National Standards for Community Engagement and have contacted the Developer to request detailed information.

The Developer however considers that they have consulted correctly and their next action will be the submission of a formal Planning Application, once their reports etc. have been completed. In this respect we shall be writing to Perth & Kinross Council to seek an extended period for consideration of any planning application due to the anticipated volume of the submission.

We also expressed our concern that the public event had been utilised to promote the Developer's proposals for an "Enhanced Western Gateway Option" as this did not constitute part of the H29 site and appeared to be another approach to removal of Greenbelt land.

Residents are reminded that, as the next move will be a formal Planning Application, any future comments on this proposal should be made directly to Perth & Kinross Council.

In light of the Scone North Housing proposals and the imminent proposals for the Perth Aerodrome and Balbeggie, the meeting was addressed by chartered planner, Jill Paterson from Planning Aid Scotland. Jill gave us a talk about the planning process and hopefully clarified matters which are "material considerations" used to base planning objections on. PAS is a volunteer led social enterprise which provides a helpline for planning advice, holds training events and addresses CC meetings for the general public. Advice was given on the planning process, the pre application proposal consultations and the purpose of planning. Points that were not considered good reasons for objection were as follows: not wanting a change, loss of view, personal circumstances. Concerns were raised about the impartiality of reports produced and paid for by a developer, the hidden and gradual increase in the number of houses built by the developer by applying for a change of house style within the build time. Advice given was to keep up with all developments in your area by using information provided on council and Scottish government websites.

11. MIR Revised Local development Plan Revisions to the Local Development Plan

The consultation period for the Main Issues Report for the Proposed Local Development Plan is past and we await with interest to see if any cognisance has been taken of the views expressed, particularly in respect of changes to the Greenbelt and additional roundabouts on the Cross Tay Link Road. The next consultation on the Proposed Plan is planned to take place in September 2016.

12. AOCB. Discussion followed regarding the role of the CC in the community ie tasked with representing the majority view of the community. The Study Group will produce and deliver a questionnaire to gauge the opinion of the village, the CC will discuss who will liaise with the SG on the wording and format.

Also present at the meeting were representatives of Bridgend Kinnoull and Gannochy CC and Balbeggie CC who have raised concerns about increased traffic and pollution.

Councillor Alan Livingstone also attended.

As the CC is not at full strength, vacancies can be filled by co-option. 2 forms were handed to the committee.

13. The meeting finished at 9.30pm. Next meeting will be held on Monday, June 29th at 7.30pm.

