

SCONE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL Minutes

Monday 25th October 2021

AGM:

A virtual meeting of Scone & District Community Council was held on Monday 25th October 2021, via Zoom commencing at 7.00 pm. This was preceded by the AGM. (Minuted separately).

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1. Welcome. Chair V. Shand welcomed all attendees to the platform. H. Mackinnon (HM) K. Gates (KG) D. Dykes (DD) J. Belch. (JB)) F. Mailer (FM) L. Martin (LM) J. Dunne (JD) attended later. Cllrs.L. Simpson (LS) C. Stewart (CS). Several members of the public were online.

2. Apologies: none

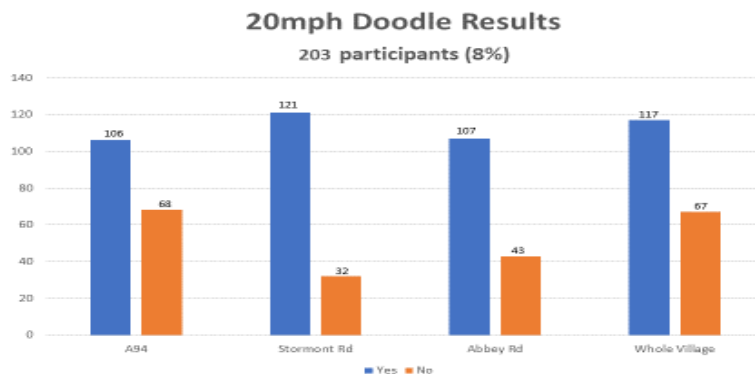
3. Police Report. Commander's Bulletin. No local crime reported in last week. Police invited to attend, given all dates in advance, but unable to access Zoom. Several officers willing to use own Zoom facilities, but not permitted Police use Teams for virtual meetings but this is not always successful with all parties.

4. Minutes: September minutes read, adopted, proposed by (DD) seconded by (KG).

5. Treasurer's report: SDCC: £99.14, Remembrance wreath only expenditure, no income, will last until end of year when top-up grant from PKC will become available.

6. Local Issues: 1) **Cycle path update:** working group set up: SDCC, Bridgend and North Muirton CCs and Cllr Simpson. Cost of study estimated at £50,000, can PKC make a contribution to this cost or support in other ways? Can the previous plans for a bridge be utilized and updated? (CS) first round of CIF grant applications undersubscribed (£6000 out of £56000) new date for second applications open until end of February. Application form to be sent to (JB). Gannochy Trust in favour, Scone Estates require to negotiate with their tenant farmers.

2) **20 mph doodle poll:** results



Results will be discussed with PKC at the next Environment and Infrastructure committee meeting.

3) **RDM school path:** negotiations continue for 2 new paths into the school, one from the gap on Stormont Rd, one from Spoutwells Place, both Parent Council suggestions.

4) **Anti-social behaviour:** quietened down with onset of colder weather and darker evenings, public meeting postponed until spring. **Derelict & abandoned housing:** One uninhabited home in the village has been sold, others work in progress. (LS) 47000 abandoned and derelict buildings have been identified throughout Scotland by Scot Gov.

(5) Changes to Westminster constituency boundaries online consultation for comments.

6) **Photograph competition:** thanks to Judges, P. Cargill and A Godfrey announced results and prizes given. Perthshire Advertiser had publicity, will go up on social media outlets.

7) **Collaboration between Cllrs and CCs.** 12 month pilot trial set up in Kinross with 4 Cllrs and 6 Kinross-shire CCs. to enable local people to make local decisions instead of waiting for all councillors to decide on matters of which they may know very little, first meeting in December. This is nonpolitical and CC members are nonvoting.

Can Scone be included in a future trial? (LS) Felt that this is not good timing, over Christmas and with local council elections early next year. New chief executive in post from next Monday, will register Scone CC interest in trial.

8) RDML noticeboard: ongoing project.

7) Conveners' reports. Planning: replacement required for D. McKerracher, (HM) agreed to monitor planning for developments, applications and decisions affecting local community. Garden Centre PA for new house, no comments to make except request to remove redundant Garden Centre signs from roadside. New Murrayshall PA for relocating driving range, construction of new clubhouse and huge suds pond. Previous Planning in Principle application not yet decided by PKC development committee. Concerns were : is this new application a piece-meal attempt to push through extra elements which may go unnoticed by the community, preparations have already started with grass killing in some areas, with the PIP not decided yet, do negotiations go on behind the scenes with PKC? (LS) No hidden negotiations with council officers but with statutory consultees, i.e. Scottish Water, SEPA, SSE. (HM) to write to Fergus Purdie (architect) and PKC for more information.

Communications: September minutes will be posted on the website.

PACC. (KG) reply from G. Frater will look into CC concerns re air and noise pollution.

Open Spaces: Quarrymill paths and pond very overgrown, requiring maintenance. Gannochy Trust responsibility.

8) **Councillors' reports (CS)** CIF undersubscribed (£50000 available) in Strathmore area, Scone, Coupar Angus, Meigle and Alyth, could be used for cycle path application. Thanks were given to V. Shand for attending CIF meetings and providing valuable suggestions and information.

20mph policy introduced as part of temporary traffic order for Safer Streets/ Spaces for People initiative, this expires after 18 months, and (CS) will enquire if policy is to continue. No mow grass cutting consultation ongoing. Liaison meetings with Council officers (David Littlejohn) no minutes from these meetings. (CS) will pursue this for an open dialogue to continue.

(LS) Carpet bowls now available in RDML on Tuesday evenings.

H29: Callum Petrie is no longer Council planning officer for this housing development. Concern expressed re wheelchair and pavement provision in and out of development with the unadopted section from Harper Way to 90 Stormont Road rough and uneven.

Westminster boundary changes will not present such a problem as has the centralised amalgamation of Police Scotland, Ambulance and Fire Service resulting in poor value for money. PKC have participated in ongoing Scot Gov consultation.

(LS) Will again question the possibility moving of the CTRL route north out of the housing development as previous reason for refusal was delay, now CTRL delayed by many months due to Covid and other factors.

9) SVA: Christmas Coffee Morning on the 13th November in the Institute from 10am till 12 noon. It is two years since we had a Christmas Coffee Morning due to the virus that we hope is on the way out provided we all respect the rules. We welcome volunteers on the morning and donations, if possible. As you may know the income generated from this Coffee Morning helps to pay for the Village Festive Lights. It is planned to install the motifs on lampposts and switch on the lights during week commencing 15th November. We ask you to recognise the additional motifs on Stormont Road this year, outside the school, as they were designed by two school pupils, and have been manufactured by our lighting contractor strictly in accordance with the design set by the two pupils.

Scone Airport Men's Shed

A reminder that we are open on Wednesday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm and Saturdaymornings from 10am to 12 noon. We would like to see you there either to share your skill, learn a new skill or just a blether and a cup of tea or coffee. We currently have an average of 15 men attending on Wednesdays and Saturdays and we have a membership of 28. We would like to see more now that we are experiencing darker days and poor weather. Please visit us at Building 30, at the Airport, stay for 5 minutes or 2 hours there is no set time limit.

10). A.O.C.B (HM) Remembrance Day wreath will be laid on 14th November at Scone Cenotaph by (HM) (DD) Community ownership. Is there a list of assets owned by a local community? (LS) Will investigate. (CS) unlikely as no common good fund in Scone. (KG) treasurer, announced his resignation from the CC due to other commitments. (VS) Commented that this would be a great loss and thanked KG for his excellent participation in the CC.

11) Next meeting Monday 29th November 2021 (venue and or virtual TBD) Meeting finished at 8.25 pm.

