

SCONE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL Minutes

Monday, 24th April 2023

The monthly meeting of Scone & District Community Council was held in the RDML at 7pm.

1 Welcome: V. Shand. (VS) H. Mackinnon (HM), J. Dunn (JD), J. Belch (JB), D. Dykes (DD) L. Martin (LM).
Cllrs H. Anderson (HA) C. Stewart (CS) and several members of the public attended. (FL).
Thanks for all his diligent work were given to Gordon Clark who has resigned from the CC.

2 Apologies: none

3 Police Report: no reports for Scone and District

4 Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising: Proposer (DD), seconder (JB).

Matters arising: comments expressed again to Cllrs regarding the carbon offsetting strategy for the CTRL and the effect of using local employment. (CS) is to visit site soon. Traffic light failure on the A94 is common, discussion regarding stopping too close or too far away from signage or light sensors. (HM) to contact Innes Mackintosh, BAM, to invite to cc meetings to clarify issues and to ask for the footpath to be restored to a suitable usable walkway.

5 Treasurer's Report: £359.37. £94.25 remaining from Heated throw grant. (CS) to look into any Platinum Jubilee grant left to reimburse CC for extra insurance required for jubilee party in the park.

6. Local Issues:

6.1 H29.Flooding: J. Swinney informed erroneously that flooding issues were resolved, dates for meeting with AJS, Cllrs and CC will be arranged. (HA) 2 types of flooding issues, 1} surface water along Highfield road from broken or blocked pipework, this should be directed down into the network within H29 development and 2} ground water flooding from H29 development and disturbance of water courses and springs. Density of housing and increasing the promised development of 700 to 1000 was a concern.

6.2 H29 paths: dates TBA with AJS, Cllrs and cc for discussion CC will do a survey monkey to ascertain concerns re path along the back of houses in Highfield Rd, this will help with drainage problems. BAM community assistance for construction may be available. Lack of paths provision in Bertha Park now a concern. Discussion re a request for cc support to remove an ancient existing core path/right of way from around a property, due to fears of antisocial behaviour. Advise to contact PKC and this will come to the attention of the public who can then comment.

6.3. Friends of the Park. Dave Stubbs will get back to cc with proposals. (DD) will contact existing Friends of the Park chairperson. Question re young swans' future in the pond: will leave or be chased away by the male adult.

6.4. Cycle path: Sustrans grant refused, no experienced project manager in the cc. Derek Anderson, pkc head of structures and Sustrans rep will meet to discuss situation and whether Sustrans will accept pkc as oversite project manager, so enough to get grant. Money for feasibility study is ring-fenced for a year. If cycle path was put into the LDP 3 would this guarantee it being built? No.

6.5 Participation request. This focussed on hedge provision along CTRL and in H29 to help mitigate air and noise pollution. CC told by pkc plans were already in place but cc has asked to be provided with these to no avail. Can Cllrs check this? Path has been widened adjacent to the mature beech trees resulting in root damage.

6.6 Barrel Drain survey. (HM) to contact PKC for finished survey.

6.7. Poppy appeal. Request from Poppy Scotland if CC would manage Scone collection. Will contact other local organisations.

6.8 Strathcona. PKC looking at compulsory purchase order, then to put to Scot gov.

6.9 Airport family open day. 8th April. Success for Men's shed sales. Complaints re noisy planes, above WHO levels, no satisfactory response from airport. Local plane activity may increase

6.10. Scone Cross. Photos sent to Perth and Kinross heritage trust for assistance. (HM) to contact local stone mason.

7. Convenors' reports:

7.1 Planning: 1) LDP 3 consultation. PKC planners at RDMI to present 14 different aspects of future plans to include in LDP3 up to 2037, including transport, greenspaces, walking, cars, cycle routes, business development, impact on jobs, housing etc. planners are keen to work with local people and welcome consultation on all these aspects.
2) Murrayshall core path diversion: from pkc re diversion of core path from across the planned driving range at Murrayshall golf course and over to behind the driving range building. Will mean an extra 95 metres on road for dog walkers and equestrian traffic.
3) Request from a local resident to support the closure of a core path/right of way at Highfield Rd due to increased concerns re antisocial behaviour and dog fouling with a newly constructed nearby path for use instead. Will inform resident to contact PKC with request, which could then be formalised into a legal order which will be open to consultation by the public to enable local comments.

7.2 Communications: no report.

7.3 PACC: as above.

7.4 Open spaces: Quarrymill gate closed to the field, muddy pathways and potholes making difficult walking. Church to be approached re land for a community garden.

8. Councillors' reports: (CS): 2 weeks recess therefore no meetings, first planning meeting next week. Burrelton and Balbeggie CC reformed (16th May first meeting). Coupar Angus interested in setting up a cc. (HA): Holdup with the Puffin crossing is BT installations. 20mph limits are now permanent. No plan yet for safety measures on the A94 following the opening of the CTRL. VAS on Stormont Rd, not installed due to length of list of pending tasks. Concern expressed re possible double yellow lines at junction of Stormont Rd and Angus Rd to ease congestion but lack of local parking will be a problem.
Comments: Could Cllrs look into improvements at the playpark at the bottom of the William Place?
New school for H29? If land not provided by AJS will children be bussed to Bertha Park? Not good for young children, taken out of their local community.

9. Scone Village Association. Noted that the Cross, on Cross Street is still deteriorating with no work being carried out on it, or its plinth, this some 10 months after requesting PKC's action to preserve our heritage. The AGM of the Scone Village Association is scheduled for 7pm on 23rd May in the Institute and all are welcome to attend.

10. AOCB: Is the post office to return? Possibly premises to be a grocery store.
Coronation Big Lunch in RDMI 7th May, free event, afternoon tea, bouncy castle, ball pit, museum artefacts and craft table. Help from the community and a donation from a local builder.

11. Meeting closed at 9.10 pm. Date of next meeting Monday 29th May 2023, at 7pm in the RDMI.