

SCONE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL Minutes

The meeting of Scone & District Community Council was held on Monday 25th September 2023 in the RDMI commencing at 7.00pm.

1. Welcome. V. Shand. Present were: L.Martin (LM), D.Dykes (DD), H. Mackinnon (HM), J. Dunn (JD). Cllrs. C. Stewart, (CS) H. Anderson, (HA) and several members of the public.

2. Apologies: J.Belch (JB)

3. Police Report. Commander's Bulletin: no Scone incidents reported.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting & Matters Arising. Approved. (JD) sec. (DD)

5. Treasurer's Report. Accounts to be dropped off to auditor M. Forgan. No expenses this month except hall hire. Remembrance Day wreath to be ordered.

Local Issues:

1) Scottish Government consultation on local democracy, discussion whether CC will hold a public consultation event, funding is provided, further examination of rules and regulations will be looked at by SDCC.

2) H29 paths, Highfield Rd path, school provision, issues to be discussed at the next liaison meeting with B. Renton. Final end date for CTRL on target.

3) Bam next community meeting on 26th September. Letter issued to locals re duration of traffic lights on A94, last another 5 weeks, owing to unforeseen utility issues when reconstructing the road.

4) Friends of the Park walkabout. Meeting to be arranged for last week of October. (HM) will contact ranger Macdonald to contact other interested parties.

5) Warm Welcome fund. £20000 allocated for community projects, 12 groups in Strathmore have applied for funding, i.e. funding for RDMI to hold daytime meetings for warm spaces, food and companionship.

6) CIF: 10 applications adding up to £63000 applied for in Strathmore, applications being considered, notified later this week, V. Shand is SDCC representative on this committee.

7) Strathcona: from PKC application to Scot gov for a CPO in the next 2 months, property will go on open market, local interested parties will be notified of pending sale.

8) Scone Cross: Scone in Bloom representative, K. Gates, under the umbrella of Take a Pride in PKC, will undertake to organise the refurbishment of the Cross, the landscaping and seating area. Some neighbouring properties have been approached, all in support of project. Quotes and specifications from PKC and a local stone mason will be considered at the next meeting of the trustees of Take a Pride in Perth. Local housebuilder and BAM might be approached for financial or practical assistance. SDCC will send a letter of support for the project.

9) Cherry tree planted in front lawn of RDMI in dedication ceremony to mark the first anniversary of the Queen's death.

10) VAS sign on Stormont Rd still not working, Puffin crossing to be installed last 2 weeks of October, Shared space path in Farquharson Park to be installed at same time. SDCC will enquire re installation of post-box.

6.2 Pilot scheme: PKC and community councils: report of pilot with Kinross shire to be issued when ready.

3 new area committees to be set up, Strathearn, Highland and Strathmore from April next year, public, online and hybrid meetings, CC members are nonvoting.

7. Convenors' Reports.

Planning.

1) **Murrayshall.** Local action group update: 2 new comments lodged from SEPA asking for more supporting evidence that suitable land drainage will be factored in and from Shell expressing concern re the siting of the delivery hub, glamping pods, zip wire and clay pigeon shooting over a major pipeline. Concern re noise pollution from clay pigeon shooting with no consultation shown on planning portal. There have been 217 objections lodged with several missing but these can be accessed, according to PKC, via another method. If refusal of Planning in Principle is recommended by the council officers, an appeal can be made to Scot Gov or reporter. A meeting is to be arranged with the local action group and councillors.

Communications: no report

PACC: Has there been an increase in traffic since the demise of Tayside Aviation? Has more aero engineering work been picked up? More RAF training? A justification is to be forwarded to show the reasons for circuits over the same route.

Open Spaces. Concerns re increasing lack of enjoyable open spaces to walk with all the developments taking place around the village. Stormont Way play area requiring upgrade (HM) will contact PKC. The No Mow policy in the park has resulted in untidy areas collecting litter etc. Some local communities mow their own community spaces. Can wild flowers be introduced?

8. Councillors' Reports: (CS) CIF funding applications are in and being assessed. Consultation taking place by the Health and Social Care Partnership re provision of services, residents should be encouraged to participate to express concerns. Bloodtesting in Beechgrove in Oakbank will be moved into the centre of town to make the facility more accessible. (HA) a) ongoing work to replace yellow lines. b) Dundee Airport received funding from Scot gov to subsidise flights to London. c) A report is expected from Scot gov on effectiveness of 20mph limits and whether a further rollout is recommend. d) A PKC report on the Gran Fondo cycle race will be available soon. e) The council skip facilities are reducing opening hours. f) A consultation on the no mow policy is to take place.

9. Scone Village Association Report. Singing for Fun and table tennis have started in RDMI.

10. A.O.C.B. 1) Can Cllr (CS) provide a map of the specification and cross-section for the hedging along the CTRL?

2) Concern re the presence of algae in the Annaty burn, SEPA have taken water samples and will produce an environmental report.

3) At the next meeting with B. Renton PKC, the question of school numbers and the future provision or requirement for a new school will be an agenda item. Will an extension on RDM be constructed or bussing children to Bertha Park? How are projected school number assessed, by what method? Can the community benefit from the proposed unused school land if no school built?

4) When is the Post Office going to open?

Meeting closed 9pm.

11. Date of Next Meeting and AGM 30th October 2023