

Dunkeld & Birnam Community Council Meeting

Draft Minutes - 11th January 2016. The Community Council will formally look to adopt these minutes at the meeting on 8th February

Present: Lorna Birse-Stewart, Matthew Gerrie, Councillor Grant Laing, David Levy, Na'an McLure, Stuart Paton, Graham Rees, Helen Taylor, Councillor Barbara Vaughan, Alan Wylie

Apologies: The Police provided their apologies.

Members of the public present: John Handling, PKC, Sally Robertson, Editor of The Bridge and five members of the public.

Minutes of meeting held on 9th November 2016

The minutes had previously been distributed, but Councillor Vaughan informed us that as November's meeting first looked at appointing office bearers of the new Community Council and then went on to conduct normal business, it would be necessary to split the minutes into two parts. Items 02.02 and 02.03 of the original minutes will be separated. **To be actioned by LB-S and AW.**

A further correction will replace the name of Margaret Anderson with Janet Blakeley.

The amended minutes will be presented to the CC at the meeting on 8th February 2016.

Due to the busy evening it was not possible to discuss all items on the agenda. Those items not covered would be added to the February meeting on the 8th.

REPORTS

Police Report: The Police weren't in attendance, but provided a brief report of activity in the area since their last visit in November. It's good to note that our community is still a relatively quiet place to live, with little crime noted. Since November there were just two issues worthy of note. One involved youths causing general noise nuisance in Birnam Terrace and the second concerned bogus workman performing sub-standard and incomplete work, having been paid upfront. One individual has been identified and interviewed by the Police.

Community Resilience: John Handling, Health, Safety & Wellbeing Manager of PKC gave a presentation of Tayside Local Resilience Partnership. The aim of which is to provide Community Councils with a template whereby the needs of the community are identified in the event of an emergency. We agreed to facilitate the development of a Community Resilience Plan for the Dunkeld and Birnam Community Council area. It was agreed that there should be a separate group established outside of the Community Council to create a Resilience Plan and we would advertise in The Bridge for

interested individuals to volunteer their services. **To be actioned by SP.**

We will continue to liaise with John Handling on the steps we need to take to develop the plan. To satisfy PKC insurance requirements, it's acknowledged that the make-up of the separate group will include at least one member of the Community Council. **To be actioned by AW.**

John informed us that there was funding available for identified crisis centres to be able to use electricity generators.

Flood Defences: Lorna Birse-Stewart gave a brief report of the recent flooding and key areas of concern. PKC have been made aware of all issues of concern noted in the report. **LB-S to forward report to CC members and John Handling.**

Councillor Vaughan will investigate within the council the significant concerns with regards to the matter of the metal bridge situated over the burn adjacent to Burnmouth Road and to the ongoing flooding issues in relation to this of at least 5 properties and report back.

Treasurers Report:

Community Council balance is £354.14

Griffin Micro Grant balance is £140.79

A Micro grant application was discussed and subsequently awarded to Na'an McLure for the purchase of tables for use at the annual Arts & Crafts Fair. The tables would be made available to others in the community where appropriate. An award of £500 was agreed. **(Na'an McLure declared an interest and didn't take part in the discussion or vote on this application).**

A micro grant application from Dunkeld & Birnam FC to purchase club jackets and badges was discussed and an award of £500 was agreed.

Both awards would be made when we receive the 2016 "top up" from SSE.

Planning

- Birnam Glen

Residents of Birnam Glen were given the opportunity to address the CC with their concerns on the proposed application.

On a vote of 5-3 it was agreed to send a letter of objection to PKC Planning. The objection would focus on the unsuitable access road and also express concerns of water pressure and visuals. **To be actioned by DL.**

Promoting Community Council Issues

Sally Robertson, editor of The Bridge gave a brief outline of what the CC could do to promote interest within the local residents.

It was agreed that meeting minutes and future agendas would be placed on the Bridge website. **AW**

to send Sally both documents before the next deadline of The Bridge.

It was agreed to appoint a "Bridge Correspondent". This would be Helen Taylor. **HT will distribute a rota of CC members who will write a monthly article for The Bridge. SP volunteered to kick things off in February's edition. Deadline is 15th January.**

Rota shown below.

Community Council meeting	Correspondent	Copy Deadline	Issue Month
11 th January	Stuart Paton	Friday 15 th Jan	Feb 2016
8 th February	David Levy	Friday 12 th Feb	March 2016
14 March	Na'an McLure	Friday 11 th March	April 2016
11 April	Matthew Gerrie	Friday 15 th April	May 2016
9 May	Graham Rees	Friday 13 th May	June 2016
13 June	Helen Taylor	Friday 10 th June	July/Aug 2016
11 July	Lorna Birse Stewart	Friday	Sept 2016
8 August		12 th August	

New Legislation for Community Councils

Councillors Laing and Vaughan will forward a report on the new legislation for review at the March CC meeting.

Griffin Fund Panel Membership

It was agreed to advertise one of the two vacant positions in the February edition of The Bridge. **SP to action this.**

Matthew Gerrie was asked to become the Community Council representative on the fund panel. He would advise AW having given it some thought. **MG subsequently agreed to undertake the role the**

following day.

A9 Dualling Project Public Meeting - 8th February 2016

DL will contact Transport Scotland to determine what aids they need for the February meeting. He will also stress the need for the presentation to address concerns expressed by the communities at Dalguise, Dowally, Guay and Kindallachan in respect to potential increased journey times.

LB-S will approach The Royal School of Dunkeld to and ask them if they would kindly distribute a letter to all parents about the February meeting.

DL to create a poster advertising the meeting.

Local Development Plan

AW distributed posters to all CC members for information and suggested they go into the CC notice boards.

A change of venue was agreed for future Community Council meetings starting in March. The new venue will be the meeting room in the Birnam Institute.

The next CC meeting will be on the 8th February in the Baronial Hall, Birnam Hotel. This meeting will start at 18:30 to conduct CC business with the public meeting element to discuss the proposed A9 Dualling plans to start at 19:00.

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