

ARGUS

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Present –Shiona Baird; Linda Cockram; Clive Sayers, and Adam Watts (elected members. Councillor John Whyte was in attendance

Garry Stewart was in the Chair (on behalf of Joanne Elwin) and welcomed everyone

TRAFFIC MATTERS

Angus Council's review of speed limits on B and C class roads has finally been completed and passed by Angus Council.

Various proposals will be the subject of consultation prior to implementation. As the Community Council had not yet received any written communication the Councillor gave a brief account of the recommendations which could affect the area. Although the B954 around Burnhead fails to meet 'through a village' status (20 or more houses on either side of a road having a minimum length of 600m) some degree of discretion can be allowed (e.g. less than 20 but includes other buildings and only 300m but exceptional circumstances). The nature of the road, with sharp bends and passing busy entrances plus an accident history, should allow for discretion. A default 40mph limit can be considered if all else fails.

Copies of the report will eventually be available

The lack of a footpath and road kerbing along The Brae was discussed and would be raised with Angus Council by John, together with the need for traffic calming there.

CORE PATHS

The draft plan for Angus has been issued and posted on the website:

www.angus.gov.uk/corepathsplan/

Some Rights of Way paths have been omitted – Slater's Loan through Windygates to Nether Handwick, and Sunnyblink to Bonnyton Road. These have been pointed out to the Access Officer.

Shiona, Linda, Adam and Garry will form a sub-committee to study the plan.

TOILET BLOCK

A meeting was held and a list of work items made for improvements to the block. The job is now out to tender, with a view to completion this summer.

The result will be a re-decorated toilet facility open all year with some heating in the winter to prevent freezing up of water pipes.

BUS SERVICE 6 & 6A

The Transport Officer has agreed to consult all residents in the Bridgefoot and Auchterhouse areas to get their views on these services from the Kirkton to Dundee via Bridgefoot or Murroes.

The consultation will be made by post and will be followed by a meeting with Community Councillors.

TACTRAN

Councillor John Whyte reported that the Strategy document had been returned by the Scottish Government for amendment. Completion and re-submission has been made to Edinburgh.

Demand for more stops and services on the main rail line was discussed, in view of Scotrail's lack of involvement.

PLANNING

There were no new applications.

POLICE MATTERS.

SPEED ON THE BRAE

Tayside Police have given attention to the speed on The Brae recently and it good to note that a number of drivers have been warned (and penalised) for excessive speeds.

NON EMERGENCY NUMBER

A new non emergency number has been introduced it is **0845 600 5705**
This should be used for calls to the Tayside Police in all situations, which are non-emergency, instead of trying to call local station numbers.

999 is only for emergencies

STOPPING CRIME

Under-age drinking, driving under the influence of drink or drugs, vandalism, and theft of garden equipment are still significant issues. Anyone with information is asked to reprt these to the Police or **Crimestoppers** (tel 0800 555 111)

NEXT MEETING

Please note that an invited speaker at the June meeting will be the Manager of FOCUS ON ALCOHOL ANGUS.

This should be a very interesting meeting and everyone should try to attend.

BT CALL BOXES

A recent proposal to remove the call box in the Village led to the Community Council making strong objection to this. The outcome will be awaited.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL SCHEME

URL addresses are:

Scottish Work Group –

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Consultations/Curent>

Angus Group –

<http://www.angus.gov.uk/commcouncil/Review2008>

ACTIVE

ACTIVE has been successful in its grant application to Angus Council

AUCHTERHOUSE WEBSITE

The URL or website address is:

www.auchterhouse.com.

Users of email are reminded that not only are The Argus and Community Council Minutes available at the above but also a lot of other information. Try it!

Letters and comments to Bob Bruce
Inshriach, The Brae, DD3 0RE
Email; argus@auchterhouse.com

HALL COMMITTEE **10TH BIRTHDAY** **OPEN NIGHT**

For 200 Club
In The Village Hall
On Thursday 12 June 2008

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY
17 JUNE 2008

7.30 PM
IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ALL WELCOME