

# ARGUS

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## TWO MONTHS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

*Present (at Feb meeting)- Shiona Baird; Linda Cockram; Clive Sayers; Garry Stewart and Adam Watts.*

*In the Chair: Garry Stewart then Shiona Baird*

### CAR PARK

The feasibility of a car park on the raised island at the road-end was discussed, but it was considered to be too near both roads.

It was agreed to consider a possible alternative site further away from the junction. A visit would be arranged.

### TRAFFIC MATTERS

The demand for a speed limit on the B954 has been refused by the Head of Roads. His letter explaining the situation had been circulated. It was felt that the Traffic Co-ordination Committee had not given enough consideration to the total number of children who cross the road regularly (in excess of 37) but had only looked at the 9 secondary pupils who go to Monifieth H.S. and catch the school bus at the road-end. As the last speed survey had been carried out as long ago as 2006, a new one should be done. A letter will be sent to the Head of Roads asking for a fresh survey, and that representatives of the C.C. should be involved in positioning of the speed monitors.

### STPR

The Scottish Government's **Transport Scotland** organisation has published, for consultation, the transport projects that they wish the government to consider for improving life in Scotland. This includes the Dundee Northern Relief Road, which would be constructed (by 2022) between the A90 west of Invergowrie to the A90 in the Tealing area. Our letter of objection has been written and submitted to them by Linda. For many reasons, it is strongly felt that this proposed development was outrageous and that the projected cost of up to £250m (ex VAT) would be much better spent on improving the Kingsway.

### CHAIRPERSON

The council was unanimous in electing Shiona Baird as acting Chairperson.

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There was only one new application – to erect an 18m wind turbine at Balkello Farm. There was no objection.

The application to demolish Lintrathen Cottage, Kirkton and replace with a new 2 storey 4 bed house has been withdrawn.

Angus Council has reported that West Residential have agreed to reinstate the verges on The Brae in April/May. Also, residents at The Braes have been informed that they must seek permission to erect outbuildings and fences. The issue of removal of a large number of trees, designated to be left undisturbed, has yet to be tackled.

### OTHER BUSINESS

It was agreed to investigate planting the water trough at the war memorial this spring and to plot daffodil beds with a view to improving them.

The school aims to achieve Green Flag status and will help with this work as well as gardening, including growing vegetables, at the school

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### **Wanted - Gardeners**

Our names are Peter Sayers and Robert Morrison and we are the senior members of Auchterhouse Primary Eco Council. This year, we are applying for our Green Flag. We have been working hard on Eco projects for four years and this year we hope we are ready to apply!

You can help us get our Green Flag! On 28<sup>th</sup> March 2009, we are having a gardening day and we hope parents, pupils and other volunteers can come and give us some help between 10.00am - 1.00pm. (You do not have to stay for the full 3 hours). Pupils must be accompanied and supervised by an adult.

If you are able to help for an hour on 28<sup>th</sup> March or able to give an hour on any school day (Mon-Fri) next term, please phone Anne Stott (P4/7 teacher) at the school. Tel: 01382 320373.

### **Auchterhouse Community Woodland Action Group (ACWAG)**

**and Auchterhouse Squirrelwatch  
A.G.M.**

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2009 at  
7.30pm**

**Auchterhouse Community Hall  
All Welcome**

**Elections are required for the offices  
of convenor, secretary and treasurer.**

**Nominations welcome.**

**Nominations are also welcome for  
membership of committee.**

**If anyone is interested in being  
nominated, please contact the  
secretary, Linda Cockram, Tel 01382  
320254**

**[linda@lcockram.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:linda@lcockram.fsnet.co.uk)**

**or just come along to the AGM**

### **Sidlaw Path Network Steering Group**

**AGM**

**Tuesday 14th April 2009**

**7.30pm at Fowlis Easter Hall.**

**All welcome and let us have your views on local path  
networks.**

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**TUESDAY 17 MARCH 2009**

**7.30 PM**

**ALL WELCOME**

### **EDITORIAL**

It is a very welcome sight to see all the work being carried out on the railway footpath near Hosie Park, with machinery and surface finishing to create a pathway which almost beats the footpath up The Avenue (and it is at least twice the width). While it is understood that funding for such a project is "ring fenced" it is a pity that Angus Council cannot give the same attention to The Avenue footpath which is probably used by more people, regularly than the new Path Network.

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