AUCHTERHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING No 236

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 15 May 2007

Present:	Linda Cockram, Gavin Christie, Joanne Elwin, Keith Faulder, Kim Miller, Garry Stewart and Adam Watts,
Apologies:	None
In Attendance:	Cllr Frank Ellis.
Chair:	Joanne Elwin

236.1. Chairman's Comments.

Joanne welcomed everyone to the meeting.

236.2. Minutes of Meeting No 235

The minute of the last meeting, which had been circulated, was approved.

236.3. Matters Arising

a). Traffic Survey

The creation of anti-skid strips on the road at the Cotton is still awaited.

b). Core Paths

The path from the old railway line to the south side of Dronley Wood should be available in July. The Forestry commission will be asked to open up the wall at the wood and install a gate.

c). TACTRAN

There was nothing further to report. Frank advised us to be vigilant as there could be developments with little, or no, advanced warning. The bypass option will be offered as a subject for discussion at the next bi-annual meeting with Angus Council, - see 236.5. a) below.

d). Grant for Electronic Communication with Angus Council

It was agreed that the grant, received last month, would be split 50/50 between the secretary and planning contact.

236.4. Planning Applications

a). The application for a house on a plot adjacent to 1 Braeside was accepted by the Council Development Ctte on 19th April. This application will bring the number of houses on the Braeside site to one more than the Local Development Plan and increase housing density.

There was concern that the subdivision of house plots in order to create the opportunity to apply for a house on a "gap" site would be used more and more to circumvent planning restrictions. This topic will be offered as a subject for discussion at the next bi-annual meeting with Angus Council, - see 236.5. a) below.

b). An application has been made for Full consent for a house, for a key worker, at Balbeuchley farm. There were no objections.

236.5. Correspondence Received

a). Angus Council

- **Chief Exec:** An email with the "What's New" list was received and distributed to members.

    Notice of the next Bi-Annual Meeting with Community Councils was received. It was agreed to raise 4 topics for discussion at the next meeting, viz. : -

    1. The Dundee bypass option stated in the TACTRAN report to the Scottish Exec. – see 236.3.c). above.

    2. The role of the Community Council in relation particularly to planning applications, - raised in PAN 81.

3. Planning applications on "spare land" created by subdivision of house plots. – see 236.4 above.

4. The changes (to planning regulations) in the conditions, which must exist, before speed restrictions can be applied in rural areas.

The exact wording will be determined after consultation with members then **Garry** will lodge these topics.

- **Infrastructure Services:**   Decision Notice for Outline Consent for a house at 1 Braeside

    Forwarding a copy of the Angus Community Plan

b) OTHERS

- **Action on Drugs:** .Publications on Focus on Alcohol Angus.

236.6. FINANCE

Balance in the bank is £1,493.63. The £71.76 premium for insurance cover will be sent to Angus Council shortly.

236.7. OTHER BUSINESS

a). There has been no update from the Work Foundation/Tayside Police on the exercise carried out in March. **Garry** will write to Tayside Police to ask for an update and for a statement on what are the priorities for policing rural areas.

b). There was concern about the danger to children caused by drivers parking/manoeuvring in the area around the hall. **Garry** will discuss this with the head teacher and look for solutions.

c). The purchase of benches for use out of doors was discussed. It was felt that second-hand stacking chairs would be a safer and more economic alternative. **Frank** would make enquiries on the availability of these within Angus council and **Linda** would contact Tayside Recyclers.

236.8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY 19 June 2007 at 7.30pm