AUCHTERHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING No 247

HELD IN THE PARISH HALL ON TUESDAY 16 September 2008

Present:	Shiona Baird, Linda Cockram, Keith Faulder, Kim Miller, Clive Sayers, Garry Stewart and
	Adam Watts,
Apologies:	Gavin Christie, Joanne Elwin, Gwen Louden, Bob Ness and Cllr Frank Ellis
In Attendance:	Cllr John Whyte, PC Brian Prestwood and 1 member of the public
Chair:	Garry Stewart

247.1. Chairman's Comments.

In Joanne's absence, on leave, Garry acted as chairman and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

247.2. Minutes of Meeting No 246

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

247.3. Matters Arising

a). Traffic Matters

John reported that the Council has no plans to make any traffic calming improvements to the Brae.

A letter had been received from the Traffic manager on the review of speed limits, - see 247.5.a) below. The implementation of a speed limit (30mph or 40mph) was assessed for the B954 road at the Roadend but considered not to be justified. It was decided to continue pressing for a restriction especially as there were now at least 30 children living in the area who cross the road daily. John agreed to lend his weight to this cause.

b). Core Paths

Garry reported that he had attended the Local Access Forum at which a brief review of the draft core path plan was given. Those paths which require work to be done on them to make them satisfactory for the public and those which are subject to objections have been left off the plan meantime. Some of the paths in our area fall into this category.

c). Toilet Block

The plumbing, joinery and electrical work have been completed. External redecorating and arrangements for cleaning in the wintertime have still to be finalised.

d). Scheme for Establishing Community Councils

The completion of a questionnaire on the scheme was carried out at a special meeting on 15th July and passed to the Scottish Government electronically. Our views will be included in the summary of views which will be placed on the Working Party's website.

e). Bus Service 6 & 6A

Service 6 has been withdrawn. Service 138 however has been re-introduced to last years timetable viz. arriving in Kirkton at: -7.56, 8.52, 13.56, 16.46 and 17.46 daily Mon to Fri and 9.04, 13.56, 16.40 and 17.46 on Sat. Service 6A only comes as far as Bridgefoot. There is no longer a service to Tealing from Kirkton of Auchterhouse.

f) TACTRAN

John reported that TACTRAN will meet next week. He will feedback any relevant information to us. To date Scotrail have not taken part in any discussions although improvements to rail services are an important part of the future plan.

g) Police Matters.

The Police Consultation Document for September has been received from Gwen and issued to members. Brian outlined the main concerns. Alcohol abuse by the young is being targeted and the public asked to report anyone giving alcohol to youths (Tel Police on 0800 600 5705 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111). A new text messaging service for those hard of hearing wishing to contact the police has been introduced. For this it is necessary to register with the police first.

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h). Focus on Alcohol

There have been no enquiries following the article on "Focus on Alcohol Angus" in the ARGUS.

The questionnaire should follow next month

247.4. Planning Applications

Linda reported that several applications had been received during the last 3 months:

- A semidetached house at Newlandhead. Our letter to the Council had been circulated last month.
- A new house in the grounds of Auchterhouse Park. Our letter of objection had been circulated.
- A new house at Old Balkello. This had been refused.
- An agricultural building at Leoch. There had been no objection.
- A detached workshop at 3 East Mains Cottage. There was no objection.
- An amendment to 5 Braeside to include a swimming pool and gym. There was no objection

247.5. Correspondence Received

a). Angus Council

Chief Exec's Dept:

Notice of training in IT on 27 Aug.

Minute of Bi-annual meeting held on 11 Jun.

Copy of Council Report with its response to consultation on Review of CC's Scheme.

Draft Single Equality Scheme. It was noted that there was no consultation event on this to be held in west Angus, - the nearest was in Forfar. A request for an event in Muirhead would be made.

Infrastructure Services, Planning

Supplementary Planning Guidance Policy H12 "Farm Buildings Conversions."

Village Speed Limit on B954 at junction in Auchterhouse, - see 247.3. a) above.

Notification of change to local bus services 6 and 6A, - see 247.3.e) above.

Forwarding copies of Angus Local Plan Review proposed mods.

Notice of receipt of reporter's report on Angus Local Plan Review.

b) OTHERS

Community Planning Team

Confirmation of receipt of our response to consultation on CC's.

NHS, Tayside

Forwarding copies of their Angus Integrated Children's Services Plan.

Energy Saving Trust

Introducing a new service to promote efficient use of energy. Ring FREEPHONE 0800 512012 for info.

ASCC

Report on Resourcing of Community Councils

247.6. FINANCE

Balance in the bank is £1.090.22.

247.7. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) The school are looking for volunteers to assist children in the school garden.
- b) Access to Funnynook track is in a bad state and needs draining and ruts filled with hardcore. Mssrs Paterson will be contacted.

247.8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY 21 October 2008 at 7.30pm