

AUCHTERHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING No 250

HELD IN THE PARISH HALL ON TUESDAY 20 January 2009 at 7.30pm

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

250.1. Chairman's Comments.

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

250.2. Minutes of Meeting No 250

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

250.3. Matters Arising

a). Police Matters.

Gwen summarised the Police report for the meeting.

Theft of diesel was a major concern. Households and farms that have had recent deliveries are being targeted. Owners are advised to monitor consumption regularly and place padlocks on tanks.

Since Apr 2008 794 litres of alcohol have been seized from youths in Tayside. Although parents/guardians are informed this remains a major concern. Alcohol consumption by youths often leads to other antisocial behaviour as well as ill health. The public are encouraged to report any persons suspected of supplying alcohol to youths to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or the Police on 0845 600 5705

b). Car Park.

The feasibility of a car park at the road end was discussed with John Brown, Eastfield. He was not in favour of any development in his field at the east roadside due to the high risk of vandalism and litter. Other possibilities were considered. It was thought that a park away from the road-end would be the best alternative

c). Traffic Matters

A petition (signed by over 120 residents) with a demand for a speed limit on the B954 was submitted to the Head of Roads in December. He has replied to confirm that, in light of our concerns for the safety of children, this will go before the Traffic Co-ordination Group meeting on 27 Jan

d). Scheme for Establishing Community Councils

A draft scheme would be forthcoming from Angus Council shortly.

e). TACTRAN

The Regional Transport Strategy 2008-23 document has been published and is available on www.tactran.gov.uk. A detailed implementation programme for the next 3 years will be set out in the RTS Delivery Plan, which will be issued shortly. Also four sub strategies will be published soon, viz. Walking & Cycling; Buses; Tavel Information and Park & Ride.

f) Focus on Alcohol

No further information has been received.

g) Balkello Woodland

An update was given on developments.

250.4. Planning Applications

There was 1 new application: to demolish Lintrathen Cottage, Kirkton and replace with a new 2 storey 4 bed house. Linda was seeking further information on the position of the 2 car garage and the repositioning of lamp/telegraph poles. There were no objections.

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The application for a house at Newlandhead has been approved. The house sought in the woodland at Auchterhouse Park was refused.

No further information has been forthcoming on the action being/to be taken by the council re West Residential's infringement of the planning consent at Braeside. An update will be requested.

250.5. Correspondence Received

a). Angus Council

Chief Exec's Dept:

- Enclosing copy of Minute of Bi-annual Meeting held on 10 Dec. This has been distributed to members.

Infrastructure Services, Planning

- Notice of intention to adopt Local Plan - Angus Local Plan Review.
- Procedures for Determination of Planning Applications. – already distributed by email. Under the new Scheme of Delegation for determining planning applications, there will be a reduction of applications considered by the Dev Standards Cttee and an increase in those considered under delegated powers to Council officers. Any application which attracts objections from a statutory consultees including community councils will always be considered by the Dev Standards Cttee.

The Head of Planning will arrange a seminar to explain the approach to implementing the new Act if there is sufficient interest from members. Members are asked to inform the secretary if they wish to attend one.

Infrastructure Services, Economic Dev

Angus Glens festival 2009 - Programme of Walks.

b) OTHERS

(Tayside and Central Scotland Transport Partnership) TACTRAN

Informing us that the Regional Transport Strategy 2008-23 document has been published and is available on www.tactran.gov.uk. See 250.2.e) above

Tayside Fire & Rescue

Consultation re "Towards a Safer Tayside 2009-10"

Scottish Gov.

Climate change and the National Forest Estate consultation, - see: www.forestry.gov.uk/fcsclimateconsultation.

RAF Community Relations Officer

Offer of presentation on RAF need for low flying training. This offer would be taken up for a meeting later in the year.

250.6. FINANCE

Balance in the bank is £1,547.14.

250.7. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) As Joanne is unlikely to be able to return before the autumn, the appointment of a chairperson will be considered at our next meeting.

250.8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY 17 February 2009 at 7.30pm