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| AUCHTERHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING No 258 |
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HELD IN THE PARISH HALL ON TUESDAY 17 Nov 2009 at 7.30pm

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| Present: | Shiona Baird, Gavin Christie, Pam Christie, Linda Cockram, Garry Stewart; |
| Apologies: | Joanne Elwin, Bob Morrison, |
| In Attendance: | Bob Ness, Cllr Jean Lee, Cllr John Whyte and 5 members of public |
| Chair: | Shiona Baird |

258.1. Chairman's Comments.

Shiona welcomed everyone to the meeting with a special welcome to RAF Community Relations Officer John Gilbert, who had travelled up from Carlisle.

258.2. Talk on "Low Flying Training"

Sqn Ldr (ret'd) John Gilbert explained the role of the RAF and the reason for Low Flying in the UK. The time spent on flying training (fixed wing and rotary), which takes place throughout the country, is carefully logged and spread as evenly as possible to every area. Scotland only gets its fair share. All complaints are investigated and, where justified, compensation for any damage or injury is made.

Anyone wishing to complain or to give the RAF notice of an event at risk of disruption caused by low flying, is encouraged to contact him on tel: 01387 381156 or email: LfenquiriesScot@cis.mod.uk

258.3. Minutes of Meeting No 257

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

258.4. Matters Arising

a). Police Matters.

There was no report

b). Traffic Matters

There was no further information on parking issues nor on "pudos".

c). Scheme for Establishing Community Councils

A further review of the scheme has been undertaken by Angus Council. An amended draft scheme is awaited.

d). TACTRAN / STPR

John reported that TACTRAN council would meet again in Forfar on 15th Dec. A plan for improvement to rail services is being progressed. This would give more services on the Glasgow to Perth line and more and better stations in the Dundee area.

The Dundee bypass project was still listed on the Strategic Transport Project Review.

e) TAYplan

An overview of all comments submitted in the "Awareness Raising" consultation should be issued this month.

f) Co-option and Treasurer Post

Angus Council have informed us that the remaining vacancy on our council can be filled by co-option. Also, the post of treasurer can be held by another office bearer. The secretary agreed to fulfil the role of treasurer and this was accepted unanimously.

258.5. Planning Applications

a). An application for a 24m wind turbine at Balkello farm has been received. There was no objection.

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b) An application for a 2m high wooden fence on 2 sides of 5 Braeside has been submitted. Although considered too high no objection would be lodged.

The plan for landscaping and trees at Braeside needs to be reviewed as the development is near completion. Linda would take this up with the Development Control office.

258.6. Correspondence Received

a). Angus Council

Chief Exec's Dept:

Forwarding the Agenda for the bi-annual meeting on 9th Dec and minute of the last meeting (in June).

Neighbourhood Services

Giving advice on BT telephone kiosks, - see b) below. Community councils are advised that BT have a public obligation to provide "universal" telephone coverage and if they wish to cease providing a telephone kiosk service they must consult the local community and Angus Council. Angus Council does not support BT's attempts to remove the telephony and get communities to adopt a Kiosk and advise us to contact Bill Strachan in Neighbourhood Services if BT made this approach,.

Law and Admin

Giving advice on co-option and office bearing, see 258.4.f) above.

b) OTHERS

Local Community Planning Team

Forwarding the minute of Monifieth and Area minute of Missing Factor meeting. We are welcome to send a rep to their meetings and will receive their minutes.

Community Safety Partnership

Forwarding copy of Angus Community Safety and Antisocial Behaviour Strategy 2009-12 report.

BT

Invitation to the community to adopt the Kirkton telephone kiosk, which is used to make about 1 call per month. It was agreed to decline the invitation and contact Angus Council, see a) above.

Army

Notification of Military Flying Activity from 16 - 26 Nov in Highland Region.

258.7. FINANCE

Balance at 17 Nov was £947.96.

258.8. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Angus Council has a Renewable Energy Worker, David Adams, who is available to advise Halls on renewable technologies. This information will be passed to the Hall Ctte and they and David will be invited to a future meeting..
- b) There will be a school show on the 15th Dec in the Hall. Our council will not meet in Dec.
- c) The school is warmly congratulated on receiving Green Flag status and is now officially an **Eco School**. In January there will be a special ceremony which will include raising the flag on their new flagpole.
- d) It was agreed to pay for the entertainer at the children's Christmas party, - as last year.

258.9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY 19 January 2010 at 7.30pm