

# AUCHTERHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING No 285

HELD IN THE PARISH HALL ON THURSDAY 15 November 2012 at 7.00pm

<b>Present:</b>	Grant Anderson, Shiona Baird, Linda Cockram, Helen Smith, Garry Stewart
<b>Apologies:</b>	Gavin Christie, John Forster, Clive Sayers, Cllrs Craig Fotheringham, Sheila Hands & Margaret Thomson; PC Steve Wilson,
<b>In Attendance:</b>	1 member of the public
<b>Chair:</b>	Shiona Baird

### 285.1. Chairman's Comments

Shiona welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 285.2. Minutes of Meeting No 284

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

### 285.3. Matters Arising

#### a). Police Matters. Steve gave the report: -

With the festive season fast approaching, Tayside Police warn revellers not to expose themselves to unnecessary risk or situations that might result in a Christmas or New Year they would rather forget. Angus residents and visitors are asked to remain vigilant, drink responsibly, and think about their own personal safety.

Car crime tends to be a crime of opportunity but, by applying simple security measures, vehicle owners can reduce the chances of becoming a victim of this type of incident. Drivers are advertising their personal belongings to the opportunist thief by leaving property and valuables in open view. Don't. Make sure your car is ready for winter driving, - check tyres and brakes, lights are clean and working, the battery is fully charged. Keep the windscreen and windows clean and the water bottle filled with screenwash to the correct concentration.

Over the last two or three decades, the number of deer related road traffic accidents has increased significantly, with the resultant increase in human death and injury, animal welfare and material damage. This is the peak time of year for deer collisions. Drive with your lights on in the morning and evening.

#### b). Road/Traffic Matters

The Roads department have cut back bushes alongside the Brae and the Avenue.

Work to fill in pot holes on Bonnyton road and ruts at the side of the Brae will be undertaken.

#### c). TACTRAN / STPR.

There is nothing to report on TACTRAN, but we expect an update from the Angus C member.

#### d) TAYplan & Angus Local Plan

TAYplan have published the Development Plan Scheme which sets out their programme for reviewing the Plan up to the submission of a revised plan in June 2016.

The Major Issues Report and Environmental Report for the draft Angus Local Development Plan have been published. As the consultation period is set at 2 months (to 3 Jan), it was agreed to ask for an extension to 3 Feb 2013. Shiona, Linda, Grant and Garry will form a working group to study the reports and prepare comments for our January meeting, - first meeting on the afternoon of 7th Dec at Grant's house.

#### e). National Planning Framework

A drop-in consultation event for the Scottish Government's review of the framework (to be NPF3) will take place at the Discovery Centre on 19<sup>th</sup> November from 3-7pm. Linda pointed out an error in the NPF2 document which stated that the Dundee Northern Relief Road was a project listed on STPR, - in fact the STPR lists the relief road as an option with an upgrade of the A90 (through Dundee) as an alternative. This error will be brought to the attention of the Scottish Government.

### 285.4. Planning Applications

- a) The application for the wind turbine at Leoch and the application for a change of land use to garden ground at West Whitehillfaulds are awaiting a decision.

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b) There are no new applications

**283.1. Correspondence Received**

**a). Angus Council**

**Chief Exec**

Forwarding the Agenda for the bi-annual meeting with the Council on 12 December, in Angus House. Shiona will attend.

**Planning & Transport**

Enclosing reports for the draft Local Development Plan: - Major Issues, Environment, Monitoring Plan, 6 different Topic papers.

**Neighbourhood Services**

Inviting us to send reps to a meeting in Monifieth on 3 Dec to discuss their proposals for Play Areas in Angus.

**Infrastructure Services**

Asking for details of any Tartan Day events we may be planning, as part of the annual Festival (29 Mar to 7 Apr) to celebrate the Declaration of Arbroath on 6<sup>th</sup> April 1320. They will provide free promotion.

**Cllr Fotheringham**

Emails re Angus Local Development Plan consultation period, see 285.3. d) above; and his request for action to repair roads in our area.

**b) Others**

**TAYplan**

Enclosing the Development Plan Scheme and notifying us that the Review of the Scottish National Planning Framework is open to consultation with a drop-in event at Discovery Point on 19<sup>th</sup> Nov 3-7pm.

**283.2. FINANCE**

Balance at 15 November was £1,904.37

**283.3. OTHER BUSINESS**

Speed of traffic on the Brae. Several people have expressed concern at the speed of some vehicles on the Brae, - estimated to be well in excess of the legal limit of 30 mph. Advice will be sought from Tayside Police. An article will be placed in the next issue of ARGUS and in a leaflet for residents on The Brae.

**283.4. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**THURSDAY 17 January 2013 at 7.00pm**