

AUCHTERHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING No 292

HELD IN THE PARISH HALL ON THURSDAY 19 Sep 2013 at 7.00pm

Present:	Grant Anderson, Shiona Baird, Linda Cockram, John Forster, Garry Stewart
Apologies:	Helen Smith, Clive Sayers,
In Attendance:	Cllr Sheila Hands, PC Sean Scanlon + 3 members of the public
Chair:	Shiona Baird

292.1. Chairman's Comments

Shiona welcomed everyone to the meeting.

292.2. Minutes of Meeting No 291

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

292.3. Matters Arising

a). Police Matters.

Sean gave his report: -

Police Scotland would like to remind members of the public to remain vigilant against fraudulent activities, in particular advanced fee fraud. This is when a person is asked to provide payment in advance of promised wealth, gifts, prizes or employment. Contact can come by email, phone, fax or post. Fraudsters typically target individuals claiming to be from the Ministry of Justice, the government, Office of Fair Trading or a loan company. **Remember if it sounds too good to be true it probably is!** *At our meeting on 21st Nov an Adult Protection & Review Officer will attend to talk about Financial Harm and to raise public awareness.*

Acts of poaching and the theft farm equipment, diesel and manhole covers have been reported in rural Angus. Vandalism also remains an issue. Report anything suspicious to Police Scotland on 101. People driving in an antisocial manner and having noisy vehicles continue to be a problem. Report any suspect people on 101 or to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

b). Road/Traffic Matters

The traffic problem at the entrance to Kirkton of Auchterhouse caused by cars parking on the road in front of the school was discussed at length. This and the replacement of the temporary bollards on the verge at West View will be taken up with the Roads Dept by the new residents of West View. The secretary will write to the Head of Roads to ask for clear communication with community councils before major work is undertaken in their area. The failure to do this before installing new lighting and resurfacing the pavements and roads in Kirkton of A. necessitated considerable discussion and changes to plans, as work was progressing. The final outcome, however, is excellent and greatly enhances the village.

c). TACTRAN / STPR/NFF2.

Nothing further to report.

d) TAYplan

Nothing further to report.

e). Angus Local Plan

Nothing further to report.

f). Keeping the Public Informed

The difficulty we have of informing residents whenever there is an event planned for our area or a planning application, which could have wide spread impact on the community, was discussed. It was agreed that emailing was the best way forward. To this end all householders will be sent a Christmas card in which they will be asked to provide their email address (or address if no email), - if they wish to be kept informed. In addition posters will be placed on our various notice boards.

All new residents will in future be sent a welcoming letter, in which they will be asked to provide their email address, - if they wish to be kept informed of community items of interest.

The draft message for both the card and letter will be framed, by secretary, for discussion at our next meeting.

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292.4. Planning Applications

- a). There have not been any new applications
- b). The application for an extension to shooting days at Country Sports has been discussed and a response submitted to Angus Council asking for some conditions and further information.

Linda has received a reply from the DPEA (see April minute) in which they promise to make improvements to their procedures. No reply has been received from Angus Council.

292.5. Correspondence Received

a) Angus Council.

Chief Exec Dept. Forwarding the minute of the bi-annual meeting which took place in June.

Roads Dept. Several emails re the replacement of street lights and resurfacing the road/pavement.

b) Others

NHS Receipt of Angus Community Health Service newsletter no 16

292.6. FINANCE

Balance at 31 Aug was £2,234.50.

292.7. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) An invitation to attend a Forum on local flooding to be held in the school at Bridgefoot on 26th Sep, was received. Linda will try to attend.
- b) The nuisance caused by dogs (in vehicles parked on the street) barking while their owners are in the hall was raised. It was suggested that ASPADS members, who have trials in the area on 2 w/e's of the year, should be asked to park at the school. This requires further discussion with residents, which Grant will undertake.
- c) The requirement for a kissing gate at the entrance to the hill from Funnyneuk track, - similar to the gate at Auchterhouse Park, will be discussed with the owners.

292.8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

THURSDAY 17 Oct 2013 at 7.00pm

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