

AUCHTERHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING No 330

HELD IN THE HALL ON THURSDAY 16th August 2018 at 7.00pm

Present:	Garry Stewart, Shiona Baird, Linda Cockram, Aileen Baird, Liam Yule
Apologies:	John Forster, Kieran Forster, Mhairi Yule, Helen Smith, Hong Zhang, Sheila Hands
In Attendance:	Cllr Beth Whiteside
Chair:	Shiona Baird

330.1. Chairman's Comments

Shiona welcomed everyone to the meeting.

330.2. Matters arising

- None

330.3. TOPICS

a). Police Matters.

- None

b). Road/Traffic Matters

- None

c). TACTRAN / STPR/NPF2.

- No update at this time

d) TAYplanand Angus LDP

- No update at this time

e). BT Phone Box

The big lottery turned down our application. British Heart Foundation have agreed to buy the defib if we put up half the cost (£1,200). The hall committee and the church have agreed to cover half of that cost (£300 each). The quote for refurbishing the phone box will cost just under £500. The Community Council funds will cover the refurbishment of the phone box. The work will happen before winter comes.

f). Twinning with Guiche

There will be 12 people coming from Guiche to visit us from Friday 24th to Sunday 26th August for our first Twinning. We expected there to be many more than 10 but due to various reasons they just couldn't manage to get more people to make the trip. They arrive in Edinburgh on Monday 20th August and will spend time doing all the tourist attractions there before coming to us on Friday. On the Friday night we plan to host all the Guiche visitors in the village hall for a meal and it's a chance for us to get to know each other. Then on Saturday its Sports Day and The ceilidh. Our French friends will then depart on Sunday back to Edinburgh then will fly home on Monday.

g). Management of Playing Field Toilet

There was a question about insurance for the toilets and we will check if the community council insurance will cover it. The new urinal has been installed. We will ask for clarity on how often the toilet was being cleaned and maintained by Angus Council. We will pay for the electricity from the grant we will receive to run the toilets.

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- **Sports Day**

Angus Council have started to charge an admin fee for hiring our own park. It was £10 and then it went up to £60. But because we have an entrainment licence they have asked for £100 on top of the £60. The Sports Day committee cover the insurance costs, grass cutting and white lines and Angus Council have zero input into the running and maintenance of the event. The Community Council have asked Beth Whiteside to follow up with Angus Council to ask for clarity of the situation and complain about a not for profit event having to pay such a large fee.

h). Community Communication

The next newsletter will be distributed in the last week of November.

i). Dronley Wood

The Scottish Land Fund have agreed to fund the application to purchase Dronley Wood. They have awarded us funds totalling £394,000 for the purchase of the wood, legal fees and the hiring of a part time woodland manager for two years. The Dronley Woodland AGM will be held on September 13th 2018 at the Village Hall, all members welcome. Over 150 people have applied to be members. There are 10 trustees. A press release has gone out and there will be an article in the Courier. A huge thanks goes to the Trustees of Dronley Community Woodland for all their hard work in making this project a success.

j). Ideas for increasing the school roll

The CC have been looking into feasibility and options for what might provide a solution for the falling school role and needing more families to move into the village. That could link with a new road/car park for drop off/pick up of school children. We will try to generate housing options for addressing these problems which will need to be consulted upon at length by the local community and local land owners. Options need to address these drivers and, eventually, to narrow down to a solution which will be seen by residents and land-owners as a beneficial addition to the village, both aesthetically and practically. This will be a long-term project, partly because these things do not move quickly but also because it is crucial to try to get it right and to both meet needs and provide benefits for the longer term. The Community Council will meet with the relevant people at Angus Council architectural experts. Planning team meeting is next step – 10th Sept.

330.4. Planning Applications

New

18/00440/FULL Extension and alterations to Cortachy Cottage, - approved.

18/00501/FULL Change of use of land east of 24 Braeside, - awaiting a decision

Updates - none

330.5. FINANCE

No update

330.6. CORRESPONDENCE

- Email from Cllr Whiteside re New Housing
- Email from Angus Council re Auchterhouse Public toilets
- Letter from Angus Council re Community Council elections timetable
- Email from British Heart Foundation re grant for the defibrillator

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330.7. AOCB

- Tyre planters at the bus stop on Newtyle Road need to be removed or replanted.
- Success for Sidlaw newsletter
It is due out soon. The editor is looking for articles and help with editing/producing the newsletter. We will ask via email and FB for volunteers.
- 200 Club: reminder that the 200 Club prize draw is open again and there are spare numbers. Contact Mary Skea 320257. It was pointed out that people can hold more than one number.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING & AGM

Thursday 18th October 2018 at 7.00pm