

AUCHTERHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting number	344
Location	Auchterhouse Village Hall Outside
Date	Thursday 19 th August 2021
Present	Shiona Baird (Chair), Aileen Baird (Secretary), Helen Smith, Mark Pearce (Treasurer), Linda Cockram, John Forster
Apologies	Darren Law, Ronnie Hamilton, Sheila Hands, Alasdair McLeod
In attendance	Beth Whiteside, Julie McCallum

344.1	Chairman's Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shiona Baird welcomed everyone to the meeting. 	
344.2	Minutes of last meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minutes of the last meeting held on Thursday 17th June were circulated and approved. 	
344.3	Matters Arising	N/A	
344.4	TOPICS		
A	Police Matters	N/A	
B	Road/Traffic Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digital speed signs arrived in the village for one week. Pavement down to bus stop on Newtyle Road is very rough. Shiona will email Roads Dept to ask if it can be looked at. Speed of traffic going down the road to Dronley Wood was raised and junction to Dronley Mill is dangerous. A slow sign will be installed to warn drivers to slow down for the junction. The Roads Dept officer from the Angus Council said the road down to Dronley is straight so the issues are down to bad driving rather the road being dangerous. 	SB
C	TACTRAN / STPR / NPF4	N/A	
D	TAYplan & Angus LDP	N/A	

<p>E</p>	<p>Fly Tipping Grant</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark followed up with the Council. There was a grant available but it's not any longer. They suggested that we organise a community clean up and they will provide tools and gloves and will collect the rubbish. We need to record cases over a period of time. We need to work with the land owners to ask their permission to engage with Angus Council about tidy ups. As far as we know there have not been any major incidents lately. • A member of the public has asked if we can add a bench/beautify the corner area on Bonnyton Road where items are often dumped. Shiona will ask Emma Christie for her thoughts on this as the land is owned by the Christies. • In order to keep a record of fly tipping we need photos of the incident, map reference, land owner info. Aileen will send out info to community again for how to report fly tipping to Dumb Dumpers and the Community Council. Then the CC can ensure we are recording all incidents should we need to build a case to ask for a grant. 	<p>AB</p>
<p>F</p>	<p>Local Healthcare Services</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patients are being asked to travel to hubs for basic treatment instead of the local doctor surgery and we haven't had an update to see how the new arrangement is working. • Can we take it further and write a letter to express our concern that we weren't consulted in the first place and find out whether the decision can be reversed or relax some of the rules? Shiona is working with the joint CC committee for our area to address this as a group. Beth will ask who we can address the letter to. • According to local experiences there are inconsistencies/odd criteria in the way tests/services are being given out/decided on. • Linda tried to find out information online about the hubs to share with the community but there is no info available to share. • The community needs more clarity on what services are happening at Muirhead versus the hubs. 	<p>SB & BW</p>
<p>G</p>	<p>Public Toilets</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group of young villagers are cleaning the toilets to a high standard. Thanks to Alasdair Baird for his efforts. He is heading off to university but another young man has offered to take over. • The red floor paint is flaking and needs 	<p>SB</p>

		repaired. Shiona to find out who we can get to fix it.	
H	Community Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next newsletter will be published in September. Angus Council are facilitating local surveys about Community Councils. They have provided us with the opportunity to customise it and send it out ourselves so that we can add questions relevant to our own community. 	AB
I	Notice Boards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The notice board at the Hall would be more used if moved to the park. We will ask the public if someone would be willing to help do this. 	AB
J	Sidlaw Path Network	N/A	
344.5	Planning Applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There have been no new applications since the last meeting. Applications at Burnhead Farm, Rowan Cottage and land by Burnhead Farm (dog exercise field etc) have all been approved. Two applications for Thriepley House are still awaiting a decision. One is recent, the other has been pending since last year. These are sensitive because of the proximity of the SSSI designated Round Loch and we have responded to both because of our concern about impact on the SSSI. SNH have objected to both and requested further information and we have said that we are prepared to second their final decision. 	LC
344.6	Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The accounts have been audited, signed and submitted to Angus Council The bank balance is sitting at £3,931 	JF
344.7	AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Car charging points are now in the carpark at Muirhead. We should do the same. There is a fund for this but it has to be on Angus Council land. The village Hall car park would be an ideal location for a charging point. The charge point would be metered, and the customer would be charged. Shiona to discuss it at the next Success for Sidlaw meeting of the 5 Community Councils in our area to take a joint approach. There are drainage issues on The Brae lower down when it rains heavily. The man hole cover rises up as the water pours through it. Same issue with the drain on The Avenue. Mark will let us know the exact location on The Brae. The culvert at the end of Braeside is blocked too. Shiona will contact the Roads Dept to ask about it being fixed. 	SB
Date of next meeting – Thursday 21st October at 7pm			