

AUCHTERHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting number	346
Location	Auchterhouse Village Hall
Date	Thursday 17 th February 2022
Present	Shiona Baird (Chair), Aileen Baird (Secretary), Linda Cockram, Alasdair McLeod, Euan Baird, John Forster, Helen Smith
Apologies	Mark Pearce (Treasurer)
In attendance	-

346.1	Chairman's Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shiona Baird welcomed everyone to the meeting. 	
346.2	Minutes of last meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minutes of the last meeting held on Thursday 4th November 2021 were circulated and approved. 	
346.3	Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road drains: Angus Council are responsible for the culvert and pipe under the road but not the ground beside it which is overgrown. Residents of Braeside are responsible for clearing the vegetation so that Angus Council can access the culvert to do the works. Bus shelter: the roof needs sorted and Iain & Shiona Baird will fix it The children from Auchterhouse Primary School laid a wreath at the war memorial. The children also made a poppy wreath, and they will all be returned to the school. The school did such a wonderful job that we would like to invite the children to create one next year and we will pay the school for it. Sidlaw Path Network/Access: route between the village & Strathmore is being considered and they will come to a meeting to consult the public. The core path behind Scotston Farm has been badly damaged. The contractor who is working on the forestry has agreed to put the path back to its original state after the works are completed. 	
346.4	TOPICS		
A	Police Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report was provided 	

B	Road/Traffic Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dronley Road junction work hasn't happened yet but Angus Council will do so when budget becomes available. • Could we purchase a solar powered digital speed limit for the village? The 20mph speed limit is not being adhered to by all villagers. 	
C	TACTRAN / STPR2 / NPF4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STPR2: we have been advised that the emphasis is on upgrading the Kingsway. It's unlikely a Dundee bypass will be built for environmental reasons. We will keep an eye on how this progresses. There is a consultation opening about transport strategy including rail links between Dundee & Perth which we will contribute to. • NPF4: a national consultation will open on what our views are on planning strategy for Tayside. We will keep an eye on this too. 	
D	TAYplan & Angus LDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDP – do they come to community council meetings to present updates? 	AM
E	CPR Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 session is booked with 8 people attending on 10th March at 7pm in the village hall. 	LC
F	Community Hall Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The application deadline is 1st March. • Shiona & Alasdair had a discussion with the roads dept and we won't have enough time to plan/build our case for electrical charging points to submit for the application. There are 2 possible sites for the electric points. One at the village hall or one at the park car park. Angus Council will prepare a quote for each location so we can see the costs of each option. Angus council does have a fund for providing charging points which we can apply for. We want to encourage the move to electric cars and provide charging services in the village for residents & visitors. • We considered broadband for the hall for the application but it will be easy to install and cost roughly £35 a month and won't fall within the remit of the application. • We also considered solar panels for the roof but that is a complex situation as Angus Council own the hall. We had to rule out the mobile generator due to cost and practicalities of maintenance and installation • We won't be applying for the fund but we will be pursuing the broadband and car charging points independently. 	

G	Storm Arwen Follow up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the event of a storm where we lose electricity and water we need to create a neighbourly network so we can help each other out. We could set up a resilience committee with volunteers to form a plan for when incidents happen. They would work with a volunteer/point of contact for each street/area to report to issues or get people help. 	
H	Community Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next newsletter will go out by the end of February. We encourage members of the public to submit articles to the newsletter. Put out a request for articles/content for the newsletter to the village email list. 	AB
I	Notice Boards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update for now but we are still looking into fixing the boards. 	SB
346.5	Planning Applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Between 5/11/22 and 17/2/22 there has been one new application validated for a double storey extension to Newton of Auchterhouse Farm DD2 5PB (21/00851/FULL). This involves significant alterations to the existing roof and checks for bat roosts have found no problem. A decision is still pending. Updates to earlier applications - The application to build a summerhouse and path beside the Round Loch at Lundie (20/00805/FULL) has been approved at last with conditions which reflect the importance of conserving the loch's SSSI status. The application (21/00782/FULL and 21/00783/LBC) to make alterations at Kirkton House, which has category C listing, has been approved with conditions which reflect the house's listed status. The application to convert and extend the old mill at Sunnyhall (21/00750/FULL) to create a house is still being considered. 	LC
346.6	Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current balance is £5,340.35 We've received the monies from the council for maintenance for the period Feb21-Jan22 Totalling £2,400 	MP
346.7	AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scottish Water responded to our concern at the loss of water during Storm Arwen but they say that unfortunately, a backup generator at Parkside is not a suitable option due to the site not having the storage space as well as the problem of storing fuel beside a treated water site. However, they are looking at different generator options as well as looking at the how to make improvements to safeguard the supply in the future. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hodge Burn diversion: concern has been expressed about the flooding along Funny Neuk path and to resolve how the water flows between the Hodge Burn and the village and why it is occasionally diverted. Our Chair, Shiona, is willing to have a private discussion to establish why someone feels that a diversion is necessary. Please contact Shiona 320435 or email shionabaird@hotmail.co.uk • The leak outside the toilet in the park is still occurring and Shiona has chased Angus Council to ask them to fix it. 	
<p>Date of next meeting – Thursday 21st April at 7pm</p>			