



## Coupar Angus, Ardler & Bendochy Community Council

Minutes, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2008, Coupar Angus Town Hall 7pm

1. **Present:** Michael Gallagher (Chair), Ann Campbell, Ed Maxwell, Bill McNaughton, Jo Kettles, John Munro, John Middleton, Councillor Dennis Melloy & Shuna Colville (minutes)
2. **In Attendance:** Sergeant Cathy MacDonald, Fiona Taylor
3. **Apologies:** None

Minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> March were approved by Ann Campbell and seconded by Bill McNaughton.

Fiona Clark gave a very interesting talk on waste recycling- reduce, reuse, and recycle and the proposed recycling centre for Larghan Park. After much discussion a vote was taken for the recycling centre for a trial period: 6 votes for and 2 against.

4. **Matters Arising:**
  - a. Allocation of Community Councillor to area of town. The idea is to build closer relationships in their area. After much discussion a vote of 2 for the proposal and 6 against.
  - b. Changes in Constitution- Proposal that there is annual election of office bearers, vote taken: 7 for 1 against.
  - c. Culross Printers car park update- to keep a note around Christmas time next year and report back.
  - d. Proposed CART meeting date- no date as yet.
5. **Reports:**
  - a) **Police:** Sgt MacDonald: 6 crimes in last month – all detected, 3 thefts, 2 possession drugs, 1 bogus workman. Nominated neighbour scheme launched- basically going back to good neighbours for elderly. Cathy to get article for CAN explaining scheme to Shuna by Wednesday. Also youth work going on Steve Brown asked if the Community Council could bring some of younger generation to meetings or involve them in community projects? .
  - b) **Chairman:** Michael announced his decision to step down as Chairman at the end of this meeting.

Michael welcomed the new members to the Community Council and thanked all those who stood. Proposal to change constitution re leafleting at elections: 1 vote in favour 7 against.

Michael has been invited as Chairman to attend the next CART meeting.

Scouts: no group for many years- Barry Tasker (currently a trainee Leader) would be interested in starting up group, Michael will give him the previous Scout Leader's name as he is willing to help Barry start it up again.

Pedestrian crossing- during THI construction the current one is out of action. It was agreed to invite Brian Cargill to next meeting to discuss options. Michael will issue invite.

Perth Youth Orchestra- Bill used the tickets, Shuna will write and thank for the tickets and offer £20 sponsorship for next year.

Michael held a meeting regarding the possible alternative uses for the old Tannery on 22/02/08- suggestions were sports facility or commercial/office space.

Michael asked for information on the notice boards. Shuna has looked into the possibility of a notice board within the new bus shelter (approx £300) and using the grant money to put a notice board up around the Scot Mid car park, thus covering both areas of town. The advantage of the bus shelter is that it reduces street furniture and does not require planning permission and consultation with conservation bodies.

- c) **Planning:** Advertising banner regarding portable toilets has been removed.
- d) **Treasurer:** £1891.79 in bank (£406 due in soon for administration).
- e) **Subcommittee/Meetings: Development trust-** have just been awarded a grant of £4388 for the care needs for the elderly survey allowing the project to progress to the next stage of developing the pilot questionnaire, train interviewing/ research staff, Buy materials and set up a database.

The Development Trust was launched on 18 March 2008- 16 people present. The general consensus was that people needed more information before committing to the idea, there will be a follow up meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> April.

CAN Work in progress.

**Councillor:** Dog fouling has been highlighted recently and the community council supported Dennis Melloy in these efforts.

## 6. Correspondence

- Scottish Government – Planning Modernisation- Consultations and Electronic Publication Strategy
- ASCC – Government proposals for Community Councils- update
- P&K Community Councils and Data Protection.
- P&K e-funding news
- Postwatch Scotland – Issue 18
- POP Invitation to AGM 22<sup>nd</sup> April- Bill, Ann, Michael & Shuna will attend
- ASCC membership renewal
- Convention of P&K Community Councils invoice for membership 2007/2008

## 7. AOCB:

- Hearing Aid batteries can we push health centre to stock batteries
- Care and repair scheme- 6/7 people waiting for security lights and 1 person has a banister.
- POP meeting – MORT house had come up and Ann had produced minutes from community council to show that this had been dealt with by community council and that P& K had said that they would check the building annually.
- Ardler representative: Someone has shown interest in Ardler- Ann will approach them.
- We gave £25 last year fro School Dux prize it was agreed to make this £30 this year
- John Munro and Michael arranged a week in the charity shop- £417 raised, £100 in rent, £50 to TOC H.

- John Munro brought up the issue of planting 17 oak trees by the P&K Council. The Council were going to apply for retrospective planning permission. The Community Council felt that a letter should be written to request the removal of the trees as they are unsuitable for the purpose. It should also be highlighted that consultation should have been undertaken.

**Date of next meeting: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 7pm, Council Chambers, Town Hall**

**Amendments:**

**Approved:**

**Seconded:**

**Signed off:**

**Recycling press release- michael**