



Coupar Angus and Bendochy Community Council

Minute of the meeting held on Monday 12 February 2018 at 7pm in the Town Hall Chambers.

Present: Wendy McCombes, John Easson (part), Keith Langelaan, John Palfreyman, Shona Turnbull, Saranne Davies, Johann Rennie, Stuart Rutherford, Cllr Stewart, Cllr Fiona Sarwar (part), Michelle Peet – minute taker. Members of public – Bob Ellis, Pete Grewar.

Apologies, Clare Damadoran – reporter

		Action
1	Welcome. Wendy welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2	<p>Correction and adoption of minutes of 8 January 2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Item 4.1 The last two sentences were incorrect. Ardler have to prove that enough people are happy to join with Coupar Angus and Bendochy Community Council (CABCC). CABCC then contact PKC Democratic Services. Minute takers note: Wendy had in the meantime contact Bob Ellis who had, with Jackie Brierton, started the process of asking the residents of Ardler their view regarding joining CABCC. • Item 6. Clare Brydnor was from Glasgow University not Strathclyde University. • Item 7. Cheque was not from Tesco but from the First Aiders at Tesco, also it was cash not a cheque. • Item 8. The sentence beginning ‘It was agreed that the money...’ was to be removed and the following sentence beginning ‘Councillor Stewart confirmed...’ was also to be removed. • John E arrived 7.09pm. • With the above corrections the minutes were proposed by Saranne and seconded by Shona as a true record. 	
3	<p>Matters arising from minutes (not on the agenda)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Item 3.2. John P was waiting for Councillor Stewart to arrange a meeting with Barbara Renton. 2. Item 3.7. CABCC were not able to use the Common Good Fund to reclaim VAT when buying defibrillators; however, they will be able to buy them through PKC VAT free. 	

	<p>3. Item 4.2. Shona had not yet found out about a skip being placed at Candlehouse recycling point. Councillor Sarwar said that it was hoped the road would be repaired in the coming financial year.</p> <p>4. Item 4.3. Councillor Stewart has not been able to progress this item further.</p> <p>5. Item 5. There was no update from the Roads Department. However, it was hoped that the Forfar Road works would be completed by the end of February. The 20mph exclusion zone would then be implemented after consultation with CABCC. Shona pointed out that someone, not from PKC, was due to talk at the school regarding 20mph zones, but this would be confusing as it had nothing to do with the 20mph zone planned.</p> <p>6. Item 6. East Perthshire Community Action Partnership. Next meeting 24 February when people will be able to vote for which group gets a share of the £20,000 participatory budget. There has been very little information and no publicity although it appears that the groups applying for the money should be putting up posters and advertising to get votes. Clare Brydnor has carried out discussions and held a focus group in the last week and all the above problems were highlighted. Wendy will send out the schedule of meetings of the East Perthshire Community Action Partnership. Wendy had also written to all the other Community Council within East Perthshire but had not had a reply. Councillor Stewart informed the meeting that Clare would now be working for PKC until the end of June 2018.</p> <p>7. Item 8. Abbey Church said they were fine, in principle, with the church being used as a secondary shelter by the Resilience Group. Wendy will contact John Handling regarding insurance. Wendy will also meet with the Kirk session to discuss.</p> <p>8. Item 9. Due to the death of Ian Campbell the final budget meeting will not be held until 22 February.</p>	<p>ST</p> <p>Cllr Stewart</p> <p>Cllr Sarwar?</p> <p>WMcC</p> <p>WMcC WMcC</p>
4	<p>Police and Fire Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The police had been in touch with Wendy; they are aware of speeding cars in Princes Croft and King Street. There was an ongoing issue in Precinct Street that the police were still investigating. • Fire – Scott Gibson will try to attend a meeting or send his watch manager. 	
5	<p>Adoption of co-opted member for Bendochy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stuart Rutherford had been checked off by Democratic Services and can now be co-opted. Unanimously agreed. 	
6	<p>Subjects raised by members of the public</p> <p>1. Ardler. Bob Ellis said that there were 75 residential properties in Ardler, the response to whether Ardler should re-join CABCC, via email and speaking to people, was 53 yes and 0 no. It was agreed that the Community Council needed something in writing or via email. Bob will organise that the emails would be sent to Wendy. Shona and Wendy will look at the emails and verify them and then get in touch with Democratic Services to ask for an extra person on the Community Council to represent Ardler. They would also talk to Democratic Services regarding the Kettins and Meigle boundaries.</p>	<p>ST & WMcC</p>

	<p>2. Former school in Ardler is reportedly up for auction, PKC own the school, but the park land around is owned by the community.</p> <p>3. Lack of gritting in Sidlaw Gardens/Place. Three people fell on the same day, one had broken her wrist. Saranne had phoned PKC and the priority system was explained to her. In fairness to PKC it had been gritted and then rained which had unfortunately frozen. There are grit boxes in Grampian View and perhaps the community need to take a bit of responsibility. Wendy will walk around Sidlaw area and look for grit bins. There was some discussion regarding the community gritter supplied by PKC. The gritting ideally needs to be done the night before and volunteers are required. If people are interested in hand gritting with the community gritter they need to contact Keith. The possibility of a recruitment drive to find one person from each street to grit was briefly discussed.</p> <p>4. Dog fouling continues to be an issue, as does littering. The dog warden is aware. There was some discussion regarding the street cleaner routinely being put onto the bin lorries when they were short staffed. Also noted that the weekend relief people are not seen anymore. When the current street cleaner leaves the community will have to take responsibility for the litter.</p> <p>5. Retiral of local shop keeper. John P will arrange something through the Town Team.</p>	WMcC
7	<p>Local Councillors' Reports.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Sarwar – Budget delayed and so can't share anything at present. • Councillor Stewart – Community Council boundaries consultation coming soon not sure when; there are anomalies such as Bendochy (ward 3) in with Coupar Angus (ward 2). Community Council Constitutions are also to be reviewed, again date not yet decided. Councillor Stewart also advised of a few local road closures. He will email the list to the Community Council members. 	Cllr Stewart
8	Planning. Nothing. John P believes he is receiving all the emails although he doesn't get one every week.	
9	Secretary's Correspondence. Nothing.	
10	<p>Chair's report on follow ups since last meeting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resilience sub Community Council Group – The joint table top exercise with Blairgowrie Resilience Group had taken place, there was also a talk from Ryan Smith who is based at the Blairgowrie police station and part of the multi-agency which was useful. Need to have a meeting with Blairgowrie Resilience Group regarding Bendochy, also need to revise the Emergency Plan. 2. Monkey Puzzle Tree – first spoken about two years ago, will be delivered week commencing 12 February. 3. Grow Observatory – Forward Coupar Angus were chosen as a lead partner in the project. They will receive 1,000 monitoring units which will record soil temperature, rainfall, soil health and such like. The information will be passed to a satellite via an app on a phone. Wendy is looking for volunteers to take the monitors. 	
11	Bendochy issues.	

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Pheasantry business. The planning application for the Pheasantry business appears to have stalled. Stuart will contact Paul Kettles (enforcement officer) at PKC asking if planning permission is required if the Pheasantry business wished to operate this year. The Community Council thought that PKC should be working with the owners of the business to try to resolve the issues. Cllr Sarwar left at 8.27pm. Wendy will write to Councillors Shiers, Brawn and McKeown asking for their input. The Community Council pointed out that they are not complaining about the Pheasantry business but about the process that doesn't seem to be working. There appears to be a lack of communication. Hedge in Myreriggs. Councillor Stewart will contact the relevant department at PKC. 	<p>Cllr Stewart</p> <p>WMcC</p>
12	<p>AOCB.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Thornhill. MAD group have taken on the maintenance of the Thornhill area. Pete Grewar had just bought a 2-acre field off the A94 behind the Inverdale Hotel. A planning application will go in to have an access off the A94; the field will be for agriculture use. The current access off Precinct Street not appropriate. Restart sub Community Council group. The aims of the group had been emailed to the other members of the Community Council. The group have put in a bid for a grant from the participatory budget and been accepted. A facebook page is being set up. A Just giving page has been set up. Scotmid are working with the group; they will provide tea and coffee for a coffee morning. Training aids have been delivered. Now have ten resuscitation dummies, also sweatshirts with badges on to wear. The library has had approval for training meetings to be held in the building, the fire station can also be used for training meetings. A first aid trainer has agreed to come and help and support the group. Keith will chase the money that Scotmid have promised. First defibrillator will be located at the Town Hall. Strathmore Hub. Keith updated the meeting on the Strathmore Hub. Treasurer's Report. Restart fund has £200. Cheque for £14.98 for domain name for next two years just been paid. Bendochy phone box insurance just been paid. Two Sisters. Excellent news that 250 jobs were coming to the town, although of course it was at the expense of somewhere else losing jobs. 	<p>KL</p>
	<p>Next meeting. Next meeting to be held on 12 March 2018 at 7pm in Town Hall Chambers. Apologies received from Wendy, John P and Saranne</p>	<p>ALL</p>

Meeting closed at 8.45pm