

Kirriemuir Landward West Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held in Kilry Hall on Thursday, 23rd February 2017

Present: Roger Clegg (Chairman), Jo Chapman Campbell (Secretary), Geoff Hobson (Kingoldrum), Cllr Ronnie Proctor, Sue Smith (Treasurer), Dave Koller (Kilry)

1.0 Apologies received from Cllrs Jeanette and Iain Gaul, David Robinson, Liz Hamilton and belatedly Terry Roberts.
RC expressed thanks to Iain Gaul for attendance and support over the years.

2.0 Minutes of previous meeting approved.

3.0 Matters arising from previous minutes

3.1 Broadband: RC received email from Merlyn Dunn (Angus Council).
Contractors soon to begin infrastructure work at Kirkton and Orchardbank.
However mast is required on Craigowl and approval for this is being sought and decision expected mid March and timescale to be advised after this date.

‘To allow Angus Council to better understand the broadband needs of business and community and to plan the next phase of the capital project over 2017/18 more effectively as a whole rather than in individual projects, economic development are undertaking a study on the availability of fast broadband provision, both for business and residential users and the appraisal of solution options. The study will focus on:

- the current provision of broadband in the area;
- the unserved demand in the area;
- the planned developments, commercially and through public intervention and timescales;
- options appraisals for the Council for intervention, where possible.
- This will help not only economic development in identifying the maximum impact in supporting the connectivity of business, parks and rural but also other departments which are looking at affordable broadband e.g. housing. It will also help AC work as a partner in the Scottish Government’s new R100 programme in aligning connectivity activity to ensure no duplication and maximisation of resources. The study will be completed by March 2017. It is anticipated a report will then go to council outlining the recommended approach to rural rollout.’

RC has replied and asked to be kept informed.

3.2 Carpark/play area, Glenisla. No information on progress nor with phone boxes.

4.0 Financial Position

SS – 19th January – balance of account stands at £4,454.95. No bills

Outstanding.

5.0 Police Report

Little crime happening in the area.

SS – should there be an initiative to establish a neighbourhood watch in area? RP – trying to re-establish this. Gail Beattie and Barry Taylor are community constables in Kirriemuir. Scott Anderson in Forfar.

A Police Report to be sent to every CC – contact details on the front.

6.0 Correspondence

RC – None

GH – 2 emails

- 1) consultation on future of Scottish Planning System – will circulate
- 2) Angus Council are planning a training meeting on 18th March for CC, Angus House, Forfar. Geoff to circulate.

7.0 Members' items

GH explained situation with church at Kingoldrum. Main concern for development of church into living space is the lack of parking. Planning officer to be contacted regarding this and change of use.

8.0 Planning

Result of Tullymurdoch wind farm appeal to be announced early March. Until result known no development work on establishment of SCIO and only then if decision favours developer and the company decides how the Community benefit fund will be distributed.

9.0 AOB – none.

Next meeting, 25th May 2017