#### KIRRIEMUIR LANDWARD WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

# Minutes of Meeting, Thursday, 28th November 2019 in Kilry Hall

**Present:** Roger Clegg (Chairman), Meg Mearns(Glenisla), Dave Koller (Kilry), David Robinson (Airlie), Geoff Hobson (Kingoldrum), Helen Humphreys (Westmuir), Sally Colville (Glenisla), PC Barry Taylor, Cllr Julie Bell, Cllr McMillan Douglas

## 1. Welcome and Apologies

Sue Smith (Balintore), Liz Hamilton (Ruthven), Cllr Ronnie Proctor.

# 2. Minutes of Meeting on 29th August approved

# 3. Matters arising from previous meeting

#### **Broadband**

Approx 15 properties connected to Angus WISP and other properties to be connected in the near future.

**Abandoned cars in Westmuir-** situation now almost resolved and thanks to Cllr Bell for her assistance.

# 4. **Participatory Budgeting**

There have been several meetings (Arbroath, Kirriemuir and Forfar) since Gordon Grewar from Angus Council introduced this to the CC in August. It seems that the role of the community councils is to:

spread the word within local communities, confirm applications meet the criteria, suggest best way of voting although using village halls seems to be what is expected.

Support from AC Communities' Team will be available to advertise PB, fund use of halls for meetings and voting etc,

Drop in sessions have been organised for interested parties in Kirrie Connections December 3<sup>rd</sup> 5pm to 7pm and The Cross, Forfar on December 10<sup>th</sup> 5pm to 7pm.

Applications/proposals to be in by10th January and voting on 8th Feb. Grant money would have to be spent by 31 August 2020. Min grant £300 and max £1000. MM, SC and RC to meet if necessary and MM to keep CC members informed of developments

#### 5. Financial Position

Balance stands at £3,522.59

## 6. Police Report

PC Barrie Taylor gave the report which included information about two awareness campaigns the police are running. One concerns the importance of gaining consent to ensure that no accusations of rape can be made. The second was to alert the public to the dangers of computer ransomware and police advice is not to pay money to fraudsters/hackers. The public should also be wary of business payments where bank details have been changed and in such

cases should check with the business that any payment is going into the correct account.

There have been several break-ins and thefts in the glens and all outbuildings should be locked and keys removed from vehicles.

Hare coursing continues to be a problem in Angus.

7. SCIO – Please spread the word. Grants up to £10,000 available.

### 8. Training

Feedback from Council Training Courses and Biannual meeting.

\* Social Media. 29th July. Angus House. Informed 12 CCs are on Facebook. Facebook and Twitter used by A.C.

Some anxiety about how time consuming this could become. Some areas poor broadband so not available to all

\* PAS/Planning Training. 7th September Eassie Hall. Good Content. Some planning examples to work on.

Attendees now receive weekly PAS Newsletters. Interesting items. Also - reminded to view the new Angus Development Plan available in local Library.

- \*Main Presentation at the Bi-annual meeting 'importance of communicating with younger people'. Most of the Burghs had strategies in place. Surveys in schools etc. .
- \* C.C. Grants review. Guidance sheets on the way!
- \*Participatory budgeting. Lengthy discussion particularly on how to engage with local communities.

### 9. Correspondence

APRS newsletter tabled.

Discussion of Angus Council's 'Community Council support Review Consultation'. SS's comments noted and CC generally supportive of proposed changes but clarity sought on GDPR requirements/certification. Some confusion about required submission of minutes which are likely to be in draft form to comply with current timescale.

#### 10. Members' Items

Damage to the road (U388) above Kilry particularly by timber lorries was discussed again. (DK)

MM informed the meeting of the situation regarding the Glenisla Play Association's attempt to obtain a lease for the play area and toilets beside Glenisla Hall. Absentee trustees unresponsive and Community Empowerment Act may be an appropriate way forward.

HH Scottish Water. Westmuir. Progress being made. Full update - next meeting.

HH Proposal - for KLWCC to have a 'Community Day' to include Safer Scotland matters and more issues of importance in the rural area'.

#### 11. AOB

None

Date of next meeting, 27th February 2020 Kilry Hall, 7.30pm