

KIRRIEMUIR LANDWARD WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL**Minutes of Meeting, Thursday 26th August 2021
in Kilry Hall at 1930**

Present: Roger Clegg (Chairman), Sue Smith (Balintore), Dave Koller (Kilry), Geoff Hobson (Kingoldrum), Sally Colville (Glenisla), Liz Hamilton (Ruthven), Helen Humphreys (Westmuir), Cllr Ronnie Proctor, Cllr Julie Bell, Cllr McMillan Douglas, Bernhard Kuerbihs, Allison Bannerman.

- 1. Welcome and Apologies**
Meg Mearns (Glenisla), David Robinson (Airlie),
- 2. Minutes of Meeting on 27th February 2020.** Approved
- 3. Matters arising from previous meeting**
None
- 4. Financial Position**
The Treasurer reported that the balance at March 31st 2021 was £3117.59. The Annual Grant has been received from Angus Council (£400) and payment has been made to the Information Commissioner for their annual fee. The current account balance is £3482.59
- 5a. Participatory Budgeting**
The councillors present clarified the current position and pointed out that applications for consideration for funding in the year 21/22 should be lodged by 27 August 2021.
- 5b. Admin Support for CCs**
This had been raised at the Bi-annual meeting and HH had attended an online meeting earlier this evening (26th August). Some community councils have difficulty providing secretarial staff for minute taking etc and, while ideally this service should be provided from within the group of CC members, support may be forthcoming from Angus Council. A paper on this will be issued in mid September.
- 6. Police Report**
No officer attended this meeting but the most recent report had been circulated to CC members.
- 7. SCIO update**
5 community organisations from within the KLVCC boundary had received grants in 2020 totalling almost £28,000. In spite of enforced Covid delays all works were completed by the spring of 2021. Further community benefit funds have been received and the closing date for the next round of applications is 30th September 2021 and community groups are encouraged to apply. Full details on website.

8. Planning

SS concerned that Covid restrictions and post-Brexit situation have negatively affected the availability of construction materials and skilled trades. This has had a knock-on effect for those who have Planning Permission and/or Building Warrants approved and who are facing extended delays to commencement and completion. SS asked whether Angus Council might extend timescales for applicants and consider relaxation of associated fees where delays are outwith applicant's control. SS was advised to address these questions to Gill Paterson @ Angus Council, who has been appointed to deal with Covid/Brexit issues affecting all aspects of planning.

9. Members' Items

Westmuir

a) Traffic Calming for village centre:

Full explanation received from Craig Hudson, Roads Department – and forwarded to village residents who raised this issue. Must now wait until the end of the 18 month trial period (Late Autumn 2022) to learn if the 20mph speed limit will become permanent. Only then can request to have a central traffic calming area be considered.

b) 40 mph signage:

To be considered with the 20mph speed control measure - decision next year.

c) Sat/Nav Concerns DD8 5NA

This matter continues to be quite complex. It was noted that the road is a residential road with 8 houses as well as the Business already mentioned. Main confusion might be between the (as yet unnamed) residential road and the Herdhillmuir farm road/Drove Road just to the north.

d) Re: Abandoned Cars:

Craig Hudson has arranged that this item will be raised with Police Colleagues at the next meeting of the Angus Area Traffic Co-ordination Group due to take place on 31 August. Update to follow regarding outcome of the Police discussions.

e) Access Road:

The Access Road for Business company – this matter not yet resolved.

f) Unadopted Roads:

This item put on hold until next meeting

SS and BK raised a series of concerns of local residents following an event at Balintore Castle in early July and these included parking problems, littering, aggressive behaviour, pressure on water supply, inadequate lavatory provision etc. Advised to contact Jackie Semple at Angus Council to ensure that similar problems are not encountered at the next events scheduled to take place on 11/12 September.

10. Correspondence

The annual review and magazine of the APRS had been received.

11. AOB

i) Proposal for a 'Community Day' for KLVCC area - HH requested that proposal be 'put on hold' until next meeting.

ii) HH concerned about the loss of 'Pensioner Housing' in Westmuir. Angus Council now having to follow SG policy.

iii) GH raised possibility of traffic calming measures for Kingoldrum and will seek a wider community view.

iv) DK raised the state of the verge on Kilry Hill as a result of the passage of log lorries. Cllr Proctor to pass on to relevant council department.

v) SS. Problems with 20mph signs at Isla Primary and feeling that traffic calming required here and outside Peel Farm.

Date of next meeting, Thursday 25th November 2021 - 7.30pm in Kilry Hall.