

MID ATHOLL, STRATHTAY & GRANDTULLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of Bi-Monthly Meeting held 2nd July 2015 in the Mid Atholl Village Hall.

PRESENT

Community Councillors: Stuart Smith (Chair), John Grant (Vice Chair), Stan Bruce (Secretary), Diana Gray, Pam Blanks plus PKC Councillor Kate Howie, PC Steve Band (Police Scotland) and five members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Community Councillor Graham Huggins (Treasurer) and PKC Councillor Ian Campbell.

1. MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were approved; proposed by SB and seconded by SS.

2. MATTERS ARISING

a) Dualling of the A9

SS advised that there had been an A9 presentation in the Mid Atholl Hall the previous month at which local residents were able to see additional information. Thought is now being given to access/slip roads. Those affected by the access proposals have been contacted directly by those developing the proposals and have had an opportunity to feedback their views directly.

b). Update on the development of the Local Development Plan

The Call for Issues and Sites exercise had been undertaken to gather information for the Main Issues Report (MIR). The Local Development Plan Team have prepared a short summary resulting from this work which is available on the PKC website and had been emailed to the CC. This shows that the CC input has been registered and noted. The next stage will be a public consultation on the Main Issues Report in the autumn

c) NHS Tayside Meeting 23rd May

KH reported back on this meeting which had been arranged to provide information to local residents on the integration of NHS and Council Services in the Highland Perthshire area. There has since been a follow up meeting to the first consultation meeting in May and further meetings will be held to progress this work. By 1st April 2016 these services are to be integrated.

3. BUSINESS

Police Matters

SB reported that there had been 40 calls to the police since the last meeting mostly relating to the A9.

Travellers had set up camp on the football pitches in Logierait but had moved on when requested to. One caravan had caught fire with the resultant debris causing problems with access to the water treatment works.

There had been a house break-in at the Pitlochry end of the Dunfallandy Road and some thefts of garden ornaments in the same area. SB warned against using social media to advise friends when you are away on holiday.

SB drew attention to the current drink driving laws. Following the introduction of Scotland's new lower drink drive limit, there was a 17% reduction in drink driving offences from

January to March 2015. Being caught driving over the limit may affect current and future employment and overseas travel, even just for family holidays.

SS noted that police speed checks at the Little Ballinluig end of Grandtully, requested by residents at previous CC meetings, had been taking place.

Treasurer's Report

SS talked through the Treasurer's report in his absence.

Opening Balances

P&KC Account	£ 110.30
Mid Atholl Account	£ 568.00
Micro SSE Account	£ 550.70
Total at Bank	£ 1,229.00

Income

Griffin (for CC micro grants)	£ 4,100.00
-------------------------------	------------

Expenditure

P&KC Account	
Hire of Halls for Meetings	£ 15.00
Travel Expenses etc	£ 43.20

Total	£ 58.20
--------------	----------------

Micro grants paid out	£ 1000.00
------------------------------	------------------

Closing Balances

P&KC Account	£ 52.10
Mid Atholl Account	£ 568.00
Micro grant Account	£ 3,650.70

Total at Bank	£ 4,314.00
----------------------	-------------------

Notes

A cheque for £43.20 had not cleared by the 2/7/15.

Griffin Wind Farm Funding Panel

SS reported that a grant had been awarded to the Grandtully Village Hall for refurbishment.

Griffin Wind Farm Micro Grants

PB reported that since the last meeting a grant had been awarded to the Jean Swanston School of Dancing to provide funding towards costumes for the dancers, who perform throughout the area at events such as Gala Days, Highland Games days etc.

Planning

SB reported that there are four current applications in our area but there is nothing controversial or requiring CC attention.

HPCP

KH provided an update on the Highland Perthshire broadband project with Struan and Trochry just about connected to our new community broadband. This is a very exciting community-led project and the CC wished HPCP every success in delivering this high speed broadband throughout the area

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

JG reported that the sunken manhole on the pavement over the bridge between Ballinluig and Logierait has been repaired but advised that the speed camera at Logierait has tilted again. KH confirmed that there have been problems with the older cameras.

DG asked about the possibility of having a defibrillator for the Balinluig/Logierait area. JG offered to look at the possibility of requesting a micro grant towards the cost of one (as had happened in Grandtully).

A MOP drew attention to the children's swing park in Ballinluig and the fact that is covered in nettles. JG offered to look into this with a view to strimming the nettles. The meeting thanked him for doing so.

KH thanked all those who attended the Logierait Bridge Anniversary celebration, on Saturday 20th June and contributed to its success.

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on 3rd September 2015 at 7.30pm in the Grandtully Village Hall.

The meeting closed at approx. 8.20 pm.