

MID ATHOLL, STRATHTAY & GRANDTULLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of Bi-Monthly Meeting held 3rd May 2016 in the Mid Atholl Hall.

PRESENT

Community Councillors: Stuart Smith (SS) (Chair), Stan Bruce (SB) (Secretary), Graham Huggins (GH) (Treasurer), Alison Forsyth (Planning) and Pam Blanks; PKC Councillor Kate Howie.
Police Sergeant Caroline McNaughton (CM)
One member of the public

APOLOGIES

Community Councillors: John Grant
PKC Councillor: Ian Campbell

Welcome

The Chair welcomed the public to the meeting and introduced everyone

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 1st March were approved; proposed by SS and seconded by GH.

2. MATTERS ARISING

- a) **Buail Planning Application Meeting**
The meeting went ahead with no known objections from local residents.
- b) **Tulliemet Road Potholes**
KH reported that this problem has been resolved. SS thanked KH for having progressed this work on behalf of the CC.
- c) **Litter Picking Equipment**
PB to provide the local resident, who raised the query, with details of the P&K Council contact and to offer assistance with the litter picking exercise.
- d) **Duntanlich Mine planning application**
KH gave a brief update on the Duntanlich Mine planning application, reporting that they are looking at how to get from Ferry Cottage across to the main road after the flooding experienced earlier in the year.

3. BUSINESS

Police Matters

CM advised that CC Members will no longer be in receipt of the regular e-mailed police bulletins. There is little, of significance, to report in our local area since our last meeting. There was the theft of a Mandarin Duck from Guay Farm and problems have been reported of sheep on the road and a need for tracing the farmers who need to be notified, ASAP. There is due to be a person with prior wild life experience joining the local police team who will be involved in issues such as this. It was noted that from July of this year air weapons must be registered.

With the tourist season commencing, notices are being put up at scenic parking areas warning car owners not to leave items of value on show in their cars and to ensure that they lock their cars!

CM reported that the main incident since our last meeting was the vandalism incident at the Ballinluig Football Club. The club had used their own funds to provide a gate/barrier across the entrance track to their club house and pitch. This was attacked with an acetylene torch and pulled back to allow vehicles to go around the barrier.

KH asked if it would be possible for a micro grant to be awarded to the football club to assist them in replacing the damaged barrier/gate with something more substantial. It was agreed that this would indeed be appropriate. An application is to be put forward.

Treasurer's Report

There is nothing to add to the report provided for the AGM.

Griffin Wind Farm Funding Panel

Nothing to report.

Griffin Wind Farm Micro Grants

PB reported that there had been two approved micro grant applications since the last meeting. There had been one from the Breadalbane Strathtay Youth Football Club for funding towards the provision of First Aider training for their coaches. The second one was for funding towards the cost of providing a Portacabin for the Atholl & Breadalbane Agricultural Society, from which they can organise the Aberfeldy Show and Highland Games in 2016.

Planning

There were no new planning applications since the last meeting to which the CC could respond.

HPCP

GH summarised progress on their current projects and referred everyone to the HPCP website www.hpcp.scot where full information about HPCP projects is reported.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

AF drew attention to the problem of dog mess not being cleared up by the dog owners along the railway path and the loop along by the River Tay. There was some discussion on this problem – it was agreed that AF would produce and put up appropriate notices in the areas most affected reminding dog walkers of their statutory responsibility to clear up.

PB drew attention to the problem of hall or park users (or other visitors visiting the area) obstructing the access into the school and to the garage belonging to the hall neighbour by parking their cars alongside the house fence. The solution suggested was that the garage owner put up a notice along the fence, drawing attention to the need for garage access.

AF reported that there is no bicycle rack for those hall users coming to the village hall by bicycle. SS is to raise this suggestion with the Village Hall Committee at their next meeting.

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next bi-monthly meeting will be on Tuesday 5th July 2016 in the Mid Atholl Hall, Ballinluig.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm