

MID ATHOLL, STRATHTAY & GRANDTULLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of Bi-Monthly Meeting held 3rd September 2015 in the Grandtully Village Hall.

PRESENT

Community Councillors: Stuart Smith (Chair), Stan Bruce (Secretary), Graham Huggins (Treasurer), Pam Blanks plus PKC Councillor Kate Howie, PKC Councillor Ian Campbell and two members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Community Councillor John Grant (Vice Chair), Diana Gray and PC John Maddocks.

1. MINUTES

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

2. MATTERS ARISING

Speeding Sign at Logierait

KH reported that this sign is now working but the one at the eastern entrance to Grandtully isn't.

3. BUSINESS

Police Matters

The CC had been advised that a PC John Maddocks might be unable to attend and e-mailed a copy of his report. Attention was drawn to using mobile phones when driving. It is illegal to ride a motorcycle or drive using hand-held phones or similar devices – these rules apply if stopped at traffic lights or queuing in traffic. These rules also apply when supervising a learner driver or rider. Only if there is a need to call 999 or 112 in an emergency and it is unsafe to stop or you are safely parked may a phone be used.

Since the last meeting there had been a 'general nuisance' involving a youth/youths at Buail Bhan, Ballinluig - no trace of those involved.

For information – sheds and garages are still being broken into – favoured items for stealing are power tools, garden equipment and bicycles.

Treasurer's Report

GH talked through the Treasurer's report as follows:-

Opening Balances

P&KC Account	£ 95.30
Mid Atholl Account	£ 568.00
Micro Grant Account	£ 3,650.70

Total £ 4,314.00

Expenses

P&KC Account	
Hall Hire	£ 15.00
Expenses etc	£ 43.20
Mid Atholl Account	£ 0
Micro Grant Account	£500.00

Total £ 558.20

Income	
P&KC Grant	£ 589.70
Closing Balances	
P&KC Account	£ 626.80
Mid Atholl Account	£ 568.00
Micro grant Account	£ 3,150.70
Total at Bank	£ 4,345.50

Griffin Wind Farm Funding Panel

GH reported that the next meeting is due on 10th September so nothing to report as yet.

Griffin Wind Farm Micro Grants

PB reported that a grant had been awarded to a 'Cinema chums' and 'Cinema Newbies' project being run by The Birks Cinema Trust'. The Cinema Chums initiative proposes to bring together like minded people looking for a companion to share the Birks cinema experience with. The Cinema Newbies is to run alongside the Cinema Chums initiative and will involve having an extra screening of a film one morning a month for parents and guardians of new babies and children less than 2 years of age. This will enable them to see the latest films without worrying about disturbing other cinema goers.

Hospital Cars

Norman McCandlish, along with his wife, Alison Stewart run the Aberfeldy Hospital Car Drivers Scheme, which covers the Aberfeldy and Kinloch Rannoch surgery areas. Mr McCandlish raised the issue of some people in Highland Perthshire having to pay for visits to PRI and Ninewells Hospitals, when perhaps they can ill afford to do so. The cost of a Hospital Car from Aberfeldy to PRI is £25.60 per journey there and back and £44 to and from Ninewells, those residents who are on 'welfare' or 'benefits' are funded by the NHS but there are many residents who are not. There was much discussion about the possibilities of ongoing funding from the Griffin Wind Farm Funding Panel or using Griffin Wind Farm grants from the 4 local Community Councils to help towards these costs along with fund raising. The MOP will go away and consider all the suggestions discussed and possibly liaise with GH.

SS confirmed that the CC is supportive of this initiative and wished Norman well. It was recognised that there are problems with public transport in our more rural areas and that the Hospital Cars situation is part of this wider issue.

Planning

SB reported that there is a retrospective planning application from the Inn on the Tay – no objections raised. There are no other planning issues at this time.

HPCP

GH reported the launch of the 'Defibrillator App'. It is suggested that each CC appoints someone on their committee to liaise with Michella Samy to provide her with the locations of defibrillators in their areas. It was identified that there is a need for more defibrillators in the local area, e.g. Strathtay Stores, Little Ballinluig, Balnaguard, Ballinluig Motor Grill and Logierait. SS volunteered to talk to Michella to explore how to get the additional funding that would be needed if we look to use micro grants for this purpose.

The new HPCP website is www.hpcp.scot.org and CC minutes can now to be e-mailed to this website.

GH advised that HPCP is supporting the Heartlander magazine and Heartland FM.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A MOP reported that following the exit of the Travellers from the football pitch in Logierait a large padlocked gate had been erected to prevent their entry onto the pitch in the future. However, Nae Limits, who have an arrangement to use this pitch, have made a track across to the pitch, rather than gain access via the gate, which could encourage others to freely access the pitch, leading to future problems. KH offered to speak to Murray Scrimagear.

Attention was drawn to the upcoming elections for all Community Councils in November.

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on 2nd November 2015 at 7.30pm in the Mid Atholl Hall.

The provisional dates for 2016 will be included in the minutes from that meeting.

The meeting closed at approx. 8.48pm

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