

MID ATHOLL, STRATHTAY & GRANDTULLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of Bi-Monthly Meeting held 5th July 2016 in the Mid Atholl Hall.

PRESENT

Community Councillors: Stuart Smith (SS) (Chair), Stan Bruce (SB) (Secretary), Graham Huggins (GH) (Treasurer) and Pam Blanks; PKC Councillors Kate Howie and Ian Campbell.

Nine members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Community Councillors: John Grant and Alison Forsyth

Welcome

The Chair welcomed the public to the meeting and introduced everyone.

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd May were approved; proposed by GH and seconded by SB.

2. MATTERS ARISING

A9 Dualling Between Tay Crossing and Ballinluig

A number of local residents expressed their concerns about the current proposals for dualling the stretch of the A9 between the Tay Crossing and Ballinluig and the impact that this will have on their homes and the local community. The concerns involved increased flood risk, noise, proximity to buildings and the division of communities through the construction of the dual carriageway and its access roads. It is known that Transport Scotland are looking into a different route, on higher ground, and a map showing this alternative route was tabled at the meeting. Following discussion and clarification about the issues and concerns, it was agreed that the CC would write to Transport Scotland and Jacobs (the contractors) to highlight the residents' concerns.

3. BUSINESS

Police Matters

It was noted that there had not been anything of any consequence in the Mid Atholl area reported in the weekly Commanders Bulletin.

Treasurer's Report

P&KC Account	£307.76
Mid Atholl Account	£568.00
Micro Grant Account	£5,390.70

Expenditure

P&KC	£62.00
Mid Atholl	Nil
Micro	£900.00

Closing Balance	
P&KC Account	£245.76
Mid Atholl Account	£568.00
Micro Grant	£4,490.70

Griffin Wind Farm Funding Panel

GH reported that he had been unable to attend their last meeting but would add his report to the CC minutes.

Griffin Wind Farm Micro Grants

No applications have been received since the last meeting. The CC urges people to take advantage of the monies available for suitable causes.

Planning

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

HPCP

GH reported that detailed discussions were about to take place regarding the funding of HPCP by P&K Council. He will have something to report at our next meeting. He advised that the HPCP are unable to proceed with projects or progress broadband until the funding is sorted.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

An MOP advised that the Strathtay & Grandtully Conservation Trust had purchased four standard 'Be Aware of Red Squirrels' signs to be put up around Strathtay and Grandtully. It was deemed a good idea to erect a couple of these signs on the main road through Grandtully as it might encourage motorists to stick to the 30mph speed limit in the village. The Conservation Trust are looking into where these signs can be legally positioned and finding agreeable landowners who will permit the signs to be placed on their land. The Conservation Trust is also looking to erect Information Boards by the river and by the Phone Box at the entrance to the Rob Roy way leading over to Pitlochry. They are to negotiate with the relevant land owners and look at the possibility of using available Griffin Wind Farm funding for additional information boards in this area.

Another MOP, resident in Strathtay drew attention to the defects in the carriageway in this area, drainage problems, potholes and subsidence. He also raised the issue of foliage blocking the road signs and the street lights over the bridge. KH took a note of his e-mail address and will arrange a meeting between the MOP and John McNab, our local 'roads' contact.

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next bi-monthly meeting will be on Tuesday 6th September 2016 in the Grandtully Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm