

GLENFARG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

Monday 6th November 2017
Glenfarg Village Hall

PRESENT: CCllrs Arnold, Loudon, Pilmer, Ponton, Taylor, Watson

Also present - Cllrs Purves & Robertson, 3 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES: Cllr R Watters, CCllr Horsman, Community Police

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.

3. ACTION POINT UPDATES:

An update on action points from the previous meeting were reported as follows –

Smithy Cottage: No change. Cllr Purves reported that P&KC has an incentive scheme for such properties, whereby 1 year's rate relief can be granted if it will result in progress.

Ongoing

Rescue Pole: CCllr Arnold reported that the throw line and pole had been purchased, their positioning was being discussed with GDIB, and the Community Payback Team were prepared to carry out the work.

Ongoing

VAS signs: No news on when installation will take place. Cllr Robertson reported that Glenfarg was included in the priority group for installation and he would attempt to get a firm date.

Ongoing

Arrgask Cemetery: CCllr Watson reported that a meeting was to take place in the cemetery to consider the possible future of the statue. It would be attended by Karen McGregor of the Preservation Group, Mark Hall from Perth Museum, Simon Montgomery from Historic Scotland and herself.

Ongoing

Telephone Box Greenbank Road: The community had been asked for their thoughts on the use of the phone box. The vast majority were in favour of a book exchange / information board / bric-a-brac / dog poo bags store. A few people were in favour of a second defibrillator but it was agreed to adopt the majority option. CCllr Watson reported that she had checked with P&KC Insurance Dept (Bill Wilson), who had checked with Zurich Insurers, and there would be no extra cost for this use. It was agreed to proceed with the adoption of the phone box.

CCllr Horsman

Ongoing

Metal Drain Cover: This has now been cemented in place.

Weedkiller on public roads / footpaths: Cllr Purves reported that he had spoken to Nigel Taylor. Weed control is carried out once a year with a follow-up. Any area still requiring work should be reported.

Business Park: The community had been consulted about the possibility of establishing a Business Park. As there had only been one enthusiastic response it was felt that this idea should not be pursued.

4. MATTERS ARISING (not covered on the Agenda)

- a) Stephens Field – A meeting had taken place between the company, a representative of the Tennis Club and a local resident about the work to be carried out. The work has started this week and phase one includes 12 houses. Areas will be fenced off, power cables taken down, work started on the water supply.
- b) Caravan – this has now been removed from the road.
- c) Wallace Park Development Group – At the last meeting, the matter of the medieval statue being sited in the park was discussed. It was decided that this was not the appropriate place for the statue.

5. POSITION OF CC SECRETARY

CCllr Pilmer has agreed to take on the role of Secretary to the Community Council. He is to take advice on the purchase of a CC laptop, but in the meantime will use his own computer.

6. PLANNING REPORT

CCllr Pilmer reported as follows –

Applications

Alterations & extension to dwellinghouse and erection of fence, 31 Cuthill Towers, Glenfarg, Kinross. Ref. No: 17/01669/FLL. Received: Mon 25 Sep 2017. Validated: Wed 04 Oct 2017. No GCC objection.

Air Source Heat Pump Installation, Culmore, Church Brae, Glenfarg. Ref. No: 17/01539/FLL. Received: Tue 05 Sep 2017. Validated: Fri 08 Sep 2017. No GCC objection.

Decisions

Erection of dwellinghouse and double garage, Land 1000 Metres East Of Wester Deuglie Farm, Glenfarg. Ref. No: 17/01411/FLL. Approved.

Appeals

Erection of dwellinghouse land 100 Metres northwest of Glendy Steading, Glenfarg, Ref.No. 17/00383/PN. Site visit took place and PKC's refusal was upheld.

Information concerning a Planning Objection

When an objection is submitted against a planning application and subsequently retracted by the originator then the objection is not considered in due course by the Planning department. Whilst the original objection may be listed on the original planning application then it is only the title, with no content and purely for statistical reasons.

CCllr Ponton asked for the Open Space and White Space areas within the CC area to be checked, so that any required changes could be reported before the deadline for the new Local Development Plan.

CCllr Pilmer

7. POLICE REPORT

The Community Police had been unable to attend but had sent advice, which has been circulated via Neighbourhood Watch – to safeguard farm equipment, beware of cold calling workmen, telephone scams etc.

It was reported that there had been complaints of anti-social and possibly criminal behaviour within Glenfarg. Residents within the affected area had received leaflets giving them advice. It was felt that officials were not receiving information on these incidents. It is essential that such incidents are reported to the police and / or the council department, and residents are assured that such reports are treated with confidentiality. Dog problems should be reported to the dog warden. The lack of police presence at CC meetings in recent months was noted and our disappointment registered.

8. TREASURER'S REPORT:

CClIr Horsman had emailed his report, which was read out.

1. GCC – BALANCE ON ACCOUNT £431.03

Expenditures: Village Hall - £12 Glenfeargach Services Ltd - £76 Remembrance Wreath £33

2. GCC NEWSLETTER ACCOUNT – BALANCE £ 11,885.70

This balance is made up as follows :

| | Newsletter | Microgrant | Nursing Fund |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | | £ | £ |
| At 3rd July 2017 | 7,162.58 | 74.39 | 4,011.00 |
| Income | 96.80 | 1,000.00 | Nil |
| Expenditures/payments | 195.00 | 264.07 | Nil |
| | <u>7,064.38</u> | <u>810.32</u> | <u>4,011.00</u> |

Income/Expenditures since last meeting:

Newsletter:

Income – Newsletter shop tin £96.80

Expenditures – Newsletter printing £195

Microgrant:

Income – Lochelbank top up £1,000

Expenditures – Pond rescue equipment £124.07 Kinross Volunteer Group £140.00

3. SCHOOL FUND £341

No change

TOTAL FUNDS HELD £12,657 at 6th November 2017

9. AOCB:

a) Grapevine Editor – the present email editor is standing down. There has been an expression of interest in taking on the role in the new year, and the present editor is willing to continue until then.

b) Local Development Plan – CClr Taylor is to attend the meeting on 23rd November when the approved plan will be launched.

c) CClr Arnold attended the Scottish Resilient Communities Conference in Glasgow and found it useful.

d) Skip in Duncreevie – this has been on site for several years and our councillors were asked if this was an issue for Planning. We are advised in the first instance to write to the user of the skip, asking if it can be screened.

e) Remembrance Day – CClr Ponton will lay a wreath on behalf of the CC, Cllr Watters on behalf of PKC. CClr Pilmer will read a lesson.

f) Christmas Lights – there is to be a laser display this year in Glenfarg Green. Santa will be there to meet children on 8th December. Main Street Christmas lights are to be installed on 28th November. The purchase of more lights for the north end of the village was discussed, but a decision was put off until the issue of the payment for the VAS speed signs was clarified.

g) Potholes – a member of the public asked how to report a pothole. BEAR deals with motorway repairs and CLARENCE deals with other roads. Alternatively, fill in the form on P&KC's website.

h) Faulty street lights – it was reported that two street lights, one on Main Street and one in Duncreevie, are not working. To be reported. *CCllr Arnold*

The next meeting of the Community Council will be held on 8th January