

**Coupar Angus, Ardler & Bendochy Community Council Meeting of Monday
13th February 2006 Commenced 7.30pm.**

Present – C Itani, B Buist, R Itani, R Leslie, A Cambell, M Gallagher

In attendance - PC Roddy Wood,
Cllr Grant arrived 8.30pm

Minutes taken by R Itani

Members of the public: Roger Thomas, Christopher Dingwall

Apologies – C Young, R McKinnon [CART]

Minutes of January deemed accurate with amendment A Cambell present.
Proposed Anne Campbell, seconded R Leslie

Matters Arising

B Clark – issue still outstanding re right of way at pend. CC approached to assist in contacting the relevant persons/bodies.

As St John Centre Perth right of way is now to be closed for security purposes R L asked if we could use this to help in our case.

Police Report

Crimes reported total 16 -5 less than previous month

Highlight this month:

Fraud reported – bogus workmen attempting to gain access to premises

Elderly / vulnerable individuals targeted e.g cleaning rones/ laying tarmac/ gardening/ for cash

Witnesses are required to help with police enquiries and police appeal to the public to watch out and report any suspicious looking characters and to remain vigilant by keeping an eye on / caring for elderly residents in the area.

Opportunist theft from Scot-Mid – cigarettes taken from behind counter - individual concerned “caught” on security camera

Break Ins reported Bookies/Butchers similar reports of break-ins in Blairgowrie on the same night under investigation

House Break Ins also reported

5 Street Assaults reported and detected

1 Drive off – Lamb and Gardeners suspect detected

Calls reporting nuisance have dropped – less reports received this month. Most calls have been regarding irresponsible riding of mini-motorbikes etc. These mini-motor bikes are only allowed, by law, to be ridden on PRIVATE land NOT on public highway/pavements etc.

Letter from Friends of Larghan Park regarding initiative to ban drinking in public open spaces passed to police. Support and feedback requested on their future initiatives for banning alcohol in public places.

MG asked about Breadalbane Project. This although it did not get off the ground was a promising project. MG asked for support for this from local businesses by their subsidising their facilities for local youths.

PC Wood spoke of how successful projects that include learning skills eg leadership and teamworking can be. He stressed the significance these types of projects can have on individuals confidence and development of character.

The Thrillseekers initiative has been praised for working well to the benefit of the whole community.

Planning/Trees/ Pathways

15mtr high Telecommunications pole & dish on land at Johnson's Ventilation, Candlehouse Lane.

Replacement wooden garage for the Tavern Ardler

Erection of 10 houses and new access road at Station Rd Coupar Angus

Pathways

Rough sketch/plan shown to CC on the pathway proposed in Blairgowrie

Mr Dingwall invited to address meeting

Path networks – distributing leaflets outwith the village

There are to be 2 **footpath meetings**

1 in **Meigle Thursday 16th Feb 6.30-8.30pm Kinloch Hall**

1 in **Coupar Angus Tues 14th March 6.30-8.30pm Town Hall**

These meetings are open to all and are to find out the routes used by walkers , horse riders, ramblers and anyone else who is interested, at the present and also areas that could be improved to allow access in the future.

Maps will be on display and available for public to take away to look over the path networks in the area.

Public invited to talk about paths they use, paths they may have lost over time, and paths they would like to use

Landowners have been approached to work together to negotiate improved levels of access for walkers. Different types of users e.g horse riders/ walkers will get the opportunity to raise their views and concerns on the path use.

1 – set up networks around the town and establish defined circuits

2 – opportunity to link different communities

Anyone interested in discussing these opportunities further please contact

Jane Pritchard Perth & Kinross Council Footpaths Officer.

Guided Walk - Mr Dingwall is planning a guided walk around the town for the Architectural Society of Scotland in August.

He has also enquired as to the feasibility of reviving the Abbey Town Trail which was published by the Community Council in 1984, showing walks [with information and illustrations] available at that time. This will need considerable updating , however it received unanimous CC support as it would be of interest to locals and visitors to the town.. CART and the Heritage Association are to be contacted about this project.

Letter from CART received for permission for Architectural Society of Scotland to visit Town Hall Chambers 29/8/06. Request flags to be flown from new flagpoles on town hall for horse fair on 18/3/06. Currently there are no available flags enquiries to be made.

Skatepark

Development ongoing

Night Lights- plans to put up floodlights have been delayed

8th of April – Grand Opening of Skatepark--further information nearer the date.

CAN

5 payments outstanding C I to pursue

Treasurers report as treasurer not present no balance available.

Councillors Report

Dundee Rd Closure for drainage and repair - 15th March for 3 weeks

Stretch is from Ardler Rd end turn off to Queen St – traffic to be diverted at Muirhead by Meigle .

Matters Arising from January meeting

Verge at the west end – ground to be assessed however its not owned by the Council so cannot guarantee to get involved but will see what can be done.

Planning application for houses on the old railway has been submitted

Application for Nortel/Travelodge ongoing

Sewage/Drainage issue still outstanding

Footbridge over burn Candlehouse Lane is beyond repair due to corrosion. Should it become too dangerous then options to have it removed will be reviewed.

- Old Co-op is in process of being sold.

- White House has been sold privately

- Royal Hotel sold to developer

Lights in George St fixed – underground cable fault

Other lighting faults in George St reported [opposite Grampian Factory]

Issue of flags for flagpole/ and who hangs them up/ requested

RL raised to Cllr Grant information on the Good Neighbour Agreement for review

Smell from factory reported again

Correspondence

Letter from AK Bell archive CAN

Perth Gateway – change of contact details

PCAB – post election info

PK Minutes

Dogs Trust Information

Community wheels

Postwatch Scotland

Speed Cameras
Out and about
Play Equipment information
Scottish Executive Meeting – helping community councils fulfil their roles – info
Convention of PK CC Minutes
Council Website information – freedom of information act info
Better Design in Perth
Letter from Murdo Fraser – Public Toilets – update; comfort scheme is in place with
Lamb and Gardener – feedback requested on the impacts of the change.
Booking form – confirmation for town hall bookings
Local Transport Review views sought – BB raised the issue regarding Ardler links
J Ross Thank you letter
CART apologies & requests
Friends of Larghan for police re alcohol ban
Core Paths Meetings dates & Posters
Invoice Victors re Engraving Cup Citizen of Year
Fred Stewart Flowers Citizen of Year
A Cambell Catering for Citizen of Year

AOCB

Confusion by the public regarding the roles of the Newsletter and CAN.
CAN is issued twice a year, Bulletin is a monthly publication,
Community Council CAN carries substantive articles that are relevant to the whole
year
.Bulletin is intended to inform public of forthcoming events
Ornamental Garden idea proposed by MG for behind the White House
R Thomas : Are you concerned about Climate Change? – environmental consultancy
for the area – available for questioning
Contact@mp2.org.uk – 07946 033 503

Next Meeting AGM 20th March 2006 at 7.30pm Town Hall

Followed by General Meeting

ALL WELCOME