

AS AMENDED AT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING OF
14 AUGUST 06. THIS RESUBMISSION SUPERCEDES ALL
OTHER VERSIONS.

Coupar Angus, Ardler & Bendochy Community Council Meeting
Monday 10th April 2006 Commenced 7.30pm

Present : R Leslie, Caroline Young B Buist, Ann Campbell

In Attendance: R McKinnon, Jo Kettles, Police Inspector Buckley-Jones, ^{Sgt} ~~PC~~ Fergus Cllr A Grant *Storrer*

Apologies: C Itani, M Gallagher [late attending]

Minutes: March minutes deemed accurate **proposed by A Campbell, seconded by R Leslie.**

Police Report:

Gave apologies for their absence at last meeting

Reported successes within Coupar Angus

New Initiatives

All Officers in new uniform/ short sleeves & bodyvest

Vandalism – 7 reports – 5 of which police are confident they have cleared up

31st March 4.30 - 43 loaves of bread stolen from Scot - Mid reported

School holiday cover – police initiatives focus on the varying period

Follow up on crimes – Police will supply as much information as possible

Police encouraged Skatepark to be controlled through methods such as Peer Support Groups. [especially regarding reports of bullying]

Planning/Trees

Consultation document for the Royal hotel with outline plans available for study –

11 flats – 2&3 bedrooms -- upper floors

café/bar --ground floor.

Skate park

Official Opening postponed until later date – hope to hold a Summer Jamboree in the better weather. All are welcome to use the Skatepark as it currently open for use.

Treasurers Report

Interest 88p

Balance £909.53

Grant applied for and will be received in due course

Councillors Report

Maintenance of ground – road verges will become part of regular maintenance routine

Rhona – borders and surrounding verges have received positive support for their keep.

Drainage – the C/A plant is in their consultation plan

Grampian country foods – plant manager – end of April they will have installed a feather press. The storage of feather in a press will remove water, which will reduce smell. Filters in the blood tanks have been changed and other measures to reduce smell generated by the factory are receiving attention.

Burn flood risk assessment – survey is ongoing. There are implications for residents in the immediate locality of the burn from several dimensions eg property insurance.

Radio Mast at Johnstones – the equipment being requested is within legal framework

Light outside Mrs Cruickshanks house reported as being out & Drain reported.

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Correspondence:

Grants Direct

Out & About with Murdo Fraser

P & K Minutes

Tayside Police Strategic Plan 2006/09

P&K Outdoor Access Forum Information

CAN

Articles requested & Update on progress supplied

AOCB

A Campbell/R McKinnon CART Feedback - Horsefair was a very successful community event – More members of the public willing to become more involved. The profile of the Community Council was discussed and criticised. It is perceived that the community council does not do enough for the community! However, as we are **volunteers**, with full-time jobs, families and other commitments, this seems a bit unfair. It was suggested inviting community groups, in turn, to each meeting which received positive support.

A Campbell raised questions regarding structure of last meeting. In March CC held their AGM, but also the Election of Office Bearers, Last year the process was different, election of office-bearers occurred at the April meeting. It was explained that due to the lack of nominations received, in the set time frame, [2 nominees for 3 vacancies] there was no need to hold an **actual** election. For practical reasons the election of office bearers was completed following the AGM, as a majority Council was in attendance with no objections raised at the time.

Cllr Grant stated that the community council is a statutory body that does not have a statutory power. Therefore being a voluntary group may have more power, as they would not have the same constraints as Community Council. There may be some conflict between what the Community Council would be successful at completing. The Community Council is an interface between the local authorities and the public but is not perhaps best suited for voluntary projects in respects to constraints.

MG – Sheltered housing/Community housing Coupar Angus asked for support for a sub-committee; if interested please contact him. MG queried advertisement for nominations for Community Council stating they were not obvious enough .Posters were displayed in Scot-Mid, C W West ,Itani, Library, Notice Board. Athole |Bakery, Middletons, A Morrison, small article in Courier MG had asked for a discussion of the process for appointment to the Community Council at the next meeting.

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Member of public thanked Cllr Grant for contact information supplied - Air Quality to be checked on the lead up to and around Precinct St

CART public meeting coming up in May – all invited

Member of the public queried what the poles with cups on it is for in Ardler?. Betty responded – it is an anemometer for measuring the wind-speed..

**Next Meeting 7.30 pm on Monday 8th May 2006 Coupar Angus Town Hall
All Welcome to discuss Community issues - please come along and get involved!**