



Coupar Angus, Ardler & Bendochy Community Council

Minutes, Monday 13th August 2007, Coupar Angus Town Hall 7pm

1. Present: Michael Gallagher (Chair), Shuna Colville (minutes), Bill McNaughton Ed Maxwell, John Munro (Treasurer).

2. Apologies: Christine Itani, Anne Campbell, Alan Grant and Sgt Taylor

In Attendance: Gwenda Minto

Minutes of the meeting held on 9th July were approved by John Munro and seconded by Ed Maxwell

3. Matters Arising:

3a. Coupar Conversations Meeting 17th September at 7.30pm, at Bowling Club. The Anti Social Noise Team will give a short presentation.

3b. Neighbourhood Watch- Ed Maxwell has met PC Brown and he has suggested the use of ultra violet pens to mark valuables. Ed will ask PC Brown if we can get a pen and torch free of charge. Currently there are 2 neighbourhood watch schemes, Hill Gardens and Trades Lane. It was suggested that if people want to use pen then they have to sign up for the scheme. 15-18 people are interested in Causewayend and it is hoped to get some interested for the Cross area. There is currently a 5 page pack on how to set up a neighbourhood watch scheme- Michael will e-mail pdf file. Michael will also think of ways of marketing the scheme- it will be mentioned at the next Coupar Conversations meeting(17/09/07).

3c. Prohibition of Alcohol Zones- Map of proposed zones is with Perth and Kinross Council and they will respond in due course.

3d. Community Notice Board- an off the shelf version would cost approximately £1000. Tam Miller has been approached to make a wrought Iron one- possible design competition with school. Michael will get details/pictures of the off the shelf version. The committee will meet and look at the potential sites and discuss further at the next meeting.

3e. CAN- still with Culross printers

- Elsa Leslie will give a short talk about living in Coupar Angus as a disabled person to the next meeting on 11th September.
- The Bulletin had the wrong date for our meeting- Michael will e-mail Rachael Jackson and inform her of our meeting dates.
- Speed monitoring in position on Blairgowrie Road
- Dog fouling signs are insitu, however there is still one persistent offender. The possibility of making childrens' play areas dog free was brought up- this will be discussed further at the Coupar Conversations meeting. Shuna will ask Alan Grant whether a bye law needed for this to be effective.

4. Co-option of Committee members

Shuna proposed John Gregory, however John Munro believed that it had to be from those that had put themselves up for election previously. This was contrary to what Shuna had been told but she will obtain clarification in writing on the matter before the next meeting.

5. Reports

5a. Police: Aware of problems on 11th/12th August after Battle of Bands in Blairgowrie when young came from outwith the area to Coupar Angus as they knew of the alcohol ban in Blairgowrie.

5b. Chairman- Absent

5c. Planning- Complaints about the Chicken factory smell especially on Sundays. They have applied for extension to planning for 5years for the portakabins. In original planning permission they were supposed to do landscaping around portakabins however this has not been carried out until a few leylandii in last few weeks. Ed Maxwell will speak to manager about these issues.

5d. Treasurer - £1517 in bank, interest £1.51 to 31st July 2007.

5e. Councillor

- **Townscape Heritage Initiative**

The financial gap over the old Co-op has been filled, so 13 affordable flats will be built by the Perthshire Housing Association, including the whole of the ground floor (part of which was previously reserved for retail premises).

Royal Hotel – discussions continuing about affordable housing. The developers want an abrogation from the requirement for affordable housing, and Alan Grant has decided not to object because there will be 13 affordable houses across the road.

The residents of Cumberland Barracks have been informed that work will begin soon.

- **Old Town Crier's bell**

Not in the Perth Museum, and is one of a number of items lost.

- **Request for speed measures on Blairgowrie Road**

Traffic counting cables have been laid

- **Rent of School hall for pipe band practice**

Alan has informed Ian Ewins of the terms of renting

- **Path from Wester Denhead to Larghan Park**

Number 43 on list

- Old Bridge near Kemphill- Roads office agree there are problems and Keithick Estate have agreed to look into the matter

Following the Councillor's report concerns were raised regarding the parking facilities for those in the flats and what work is being carried out on Cumberland barracks and what disruption would this be causing to tenants. Shuna agreed to e-mail to Councillor Grant to clarify these issues.

6. Correspondence

- Letter from member of community re misuse of Disabled Parking Bays- Shuna to contact Councillor Grant

- Scottish Water Community Manager appointed to deal with community matters or general enquiries.

- CART meeting 14th August 2007

- Postwatch Scotland public meeting 3rd September, 2007, 2.30pm in Salutation Hotel, Perth

- WRVS request for more volunteers for WRVS P&K Community Transport and Good Neighbours Service. Contact 01350-727121 for more information.

- Perth & Kinross paper recycling scheme leaflets sent out

- Tayside Fire and Rescue Public Performance Report 2006-2007

- Tayside Fire and Rescue towards a safer Tayside Action Plan 2007-2008

- Perth & Kinross Who's Who

- Aberfeldy Community Council re public toilets/comfort scheme- It was felt difficult to support the bid to reopen public toilets due to the expense.

