



## Coupar Angus, Ardler & Bendochy Community Council

Minutes, Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2009, Coupar Angus Town Hall 7pm

1. **Present:** Bill McNaughton (in Chair), Michael Gallagher Jo Kettles, Shuna Colville (minutes) Ed Maxwell, John Middleton, Dennis Melloy & Ann Campbell.  
**In Attendance:** None present.
2. **Apologies:** Johann Rennie.  
**Minutes of Meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> October proposed by:** Jo Kettles & seconded by Ann Campbell
3. **Police Report:** None
4. **Matters Arising:**
  - a. Coupar Angus to Woodside Path- work schedule to be done.
  - b. Hay Street flat – incorrect information taken down but things have quietened down. Dennis has correct address and will follow up.
  - c. Flagpole at War Memorial- Jo Kettles spoke with head teacher who is not really happy about it on a safety grounds. Ian Clark also spoke to Dennis about it. Dennis is enquiring as to who owns the War Memorial and is checking into background if there is a problem with a flagpole being there. Dennis will get back to Community Council on this matter.
  - d. Litterbin Dundee Road- P&K investigating this.
  - e. Paper edition of welcome pack- Michael has investigated and it requires professional printing, Michael will look into it further to see if it can be done more reasonably.
  - f. Trees at side of Forfar Road- waiting to hear from P&K.
  - g. Sandwich board to advertise meetings- Dennis will provide an old sandwich board to see if this is worth pursuing further and purchasing a more robust board.
  - h. Light in clock tower- work completed.
5. **Community Issues**
  - a. Leaves on path behind Town Hall have not yet been cleared.
  - b. Complaints about 9 Caravans and 3 4X4's with flat tyres and some with no road tax on Strathmore Avenue.
  - c. Flats around The Cross, have not been given blue and brown bins 1,2 &3 High Street and down close. Bill will arrange for bins to be delivered.
  - d. Complaints that there is nowhere in Coupar Angus to get the bio degradable bags for the kitchen caddies- they are now stocked in East of Scotland Farmers-Shuna will place a piece in Blairgowrie Advertiser.

- e. Ed Maxwell asked for minutes from CART. Bill explained that the minutes were not available for the public as it is a private organisation. Michael felt that he was dissatisfied with the fact that CART minutes were not available for viewing by the Community Council. Michael called for severing ties with CART as Perth & Kinross Council use the ex officio status with chairman and CART as an excuse to say the Community Council has been fully consulted on issues. Ed Maxwell seconded the motion. 2 in favour of severing connections and 5 for keeping status quo.

## 6. Reports

- a. **Chairman:** CART report- Alan Grant has spoken to roads department re Larghan park signage and this is ongoing.

YWCA has newly formed committee and permission to continue in the hall.

Lodgings awaiting decision from Historic Scotland on preference of external finish.

Public consultation is complete for redevelopment of the Cross area. Currently out to tender before final meeting and decision in January 2010. Intention is to complete it by March 31<sup>st</sup> if go ahead given.

Planning for Horse Fair 2010 has stalled as poor turnout at last meeting. Jill Davies to follow up.

POP has funding to develop Blair bend and funding for poly tunnel.

- b. **Planning:** 1 application (Scotmid). Jo Kettles asked for assurance that last month's application for Temporary access to Pony paddock should be temporary and not permanent. She was assured that the application was for temporary access and if it was to be permanent the developers would have to reapply for planning.
- c. **Treasurer:** £1268.32 in Account at 31st October 2009. £600 is for CAN publication.
- d. **Subcommittee/Meetings:** None
- e. **Councillor:** Sewage works- odour was present again on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Dennis has been in contact with David Bucahnan as has Shuna. Town centre survey results were not sent to Dennis he and has sent a letter of complaint to P&K. Christmas lights- Alyth has Christmas lights that they don't use and Dennis would bring them along if Coupar Angus wanted them. Ann will investigate.

Jo mentioned that Fred Stewart handed in the petition sheets and John McCrone had mentioned that they could not be counted as the plans were changed slightly since the petition was handed in.

- 7. **Remembrance Day Parade.** Bill thanked all who participated. Shuna to do thank you to Bruce Dempsey for his input. The Pipe Band asked for a donation from Community Council for their soup & sandwiches afterwards and it was agreed that £100 should be given.
- 8. **CAN** – completed and distributed last week.
- 9. **Town Centre Plans** 329 replies 168 for 149 against and 12 unclear. Michael felt that council have sent out a biased survey and that the results are skewed. He

stated that the people of Coupar Angus have not been told of the difficulties that will be encountered with the new system. It was felt that the Community Council should object strongly on the grounds that were submitted earlier. Specifically that the questionnaire did not include the difficulties of people who are blind or partially sighted as they cannot see the differences between the road surface areas. Michael felt that there was a major issue with road safety.

Community Council agreed to send formal objection.

## **10. Correspondence**

No time to go through correspondence.

## **8 AOCB**

Data protection- due for renewal and as Bill has intimated that he does not intend to stand for another term Michael suggested that the data protection should be with the secretary. This could be transferred when the secretary is elected at the next AGM.

Shuna asked if the Community Council were willing to take ownership of the Bendochy Telephone box for the sum of £1, ensuring that the kiosk retained its current position. It was agreed to write and accept this proposal.

No further time for any other issues. The Chairman asked that any outstanding issues be carried forward to next meeting.

**Date of next meeting: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 7pm, Council Chambers, Town Hall**

**Amendments:**

**Approved:**

**Seconded:**

William McNaughton (Chairman)