



Coupar Angus, Ardler & Bendochy Community Council

Minutes, Monday 14 June 2010, Coupar Angus Town Hall 7pm

1. **Present:** Ann Campbell (Chairman), John Middleton (Treasurer), Edward Adam, David Carson, Michael Gallagher (minutes)
In attendance: Police officers Steve Watt and Nick Schembury
2. **Apologies:** Johann Rennie (Secretary), Jo Kettles
3. **Minutes:** Approved after amendment by JM, seconded by MG
4. **Police report:**
 - Western Division has been reduced from 5 to 4 sections. Blairgowrie now covers from Glenshee to Longforgan and Carse of Gowrie with two stations – Blairgowrie and Longforgan. Coupar Angus is covered by Blairgowrie section.
 - There have been no serious incidents over the past month.
Peacocks – Concerns have been expressed that peacocks at George Street will cause an accident.
Agreed – Contact RSPCA
 - Underage drinking – The police are keeping an eye on various parts of the town on Friday and Saturday evenings for underage drinking, including Larchan Park.
 - Vandalism – The empty cottages at Pleasance Road have been broken into and vandalised.
5. **Community issues:**
 - Obstruction at the High Street – the roadworks at the High Street have been preventing customers getting into Fred's shop, and he may have to close for a couple of days. Also, the bins are not being collected.
Agreed – Community Council to write to Cllrs Alan Grant and Dennis Melloy (Action – Michael).
 - Request for grant towards play area for mothers and toddlers at St Anne's Church Hall
Agreed – The majority view was that there are other more appropriate funding bodies.
 - Bendochy phone box – Michael will continue to try to contact a local resident who has offered to maintain the phone box as a community notice board, if the Community Council agrees to take ownership of the box from British Telecom.
 - CART has asked for funding a new Coupar Angus street map. Agreed, but amount still to be decided.
6. **Reports:**
 - Chairman – the Coupar Angus Newsletter and the Coupar Angus Bulletin are to be amalgamated. The first issue will be produced by Culross Printers in September. It will contain the Community Council minutes. Shuna Colville (former Secretary of the Community Council) has given Culross Printers a list of advertisers and Ann has forwarded a list of community groups.
 - Planning – David agreed to be co-opted as Planning Officer for one year.

- Tannery development – The Government Reporter has upheld an appeal against refusal of planning consent for 19 houses at the former Tannery building, Pleasance Road.
- Treasurer – Current balance in bank account is £1,611.49, including a grant of £604.42 for the community notice board at the Co-op.

7. Subcommittees:

- Development Trust – the joint survey of the needs of Coupar Angus residents is continuing in partnership with the Coupar Angus Regeneration Trust.
Gardens competition – we need a list of garden competition winners from last year to get all the cups back. The competition will take place on Sautrday 7th August. Forms will be available from C&W West and the Coupar Angus Business Centre.

Actions – Michael to locate list of winners and ask Johann for application forms. Ed will accompany the judge. Ann will ask Gordon Croll to judge.

8. Correspondence:

- Nominations for Perthshire Positive Action awards – Agreed – Ed’s walking expedition group to be nominated – **Action – Ed**
- TACTRAN – new website for planning a journey
- Perth & Kinross Ranger Service Newsletter
- Information poster on organising communal repairs and maintenance
- New rules about school hall bookings (payment required up-front, no refunds).

9. AOCB

- Dux prize – Action – John to give grant of £30 to school for dux prize
- Post boxes at the Cross – Why have they been blocked off, and by whom?
Action – Secretary – Write to Post Office to get the post box on the wall re-opened.

- Traffic Management Orders

Action – Secretary – Write to Jim Irons asking that future TMOs are sent to community councils at the same time as they are published in the local press.

10. Next meeting – Monday 12 July, 7pm, Town Hall