

Portmoak Community Council

Draft minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, December 14th 2010 in the Primary School.

1. Election of officers. The following residents were elected, Chairman - Malcolm Parkin, Vice Chairman- Margaret Wilson and Treasurer- Dick Williamson.

2. Attendance: Cllrs M. Parkin, M. Wilson, J. Bird, D. Williamson, R. Cairncross, T. Smith, S. Forde, M. Strang Steel, WClr's Barnacle and Baird and 50 residents.

(Post meeting note: WClr Robertson e mailed his apologies)

3. Previous minutes: were approved and signed.

4. Police report

Sgt Sandra Williams gave the police report.

- The Community Officer was presently on modified duties and unable to attend the meeting.

- There have been a number of break ins to lock up premises at Scotlandwell. Anyone seeing anything suspicious please call the police.

5. Treasurers report

There is £925 in the bank account.

6. Matters arising

1. Stephen's field.

Letter received from P&KC re changes to planning application by Stephen's. Pleased to say that the path alongside No 27 Whitecraigs is included in the new plans.

2. Balgedie Toll to Mawcarse Road.

Signing work will be carried out winter 2010. Snow probably has changed the time scale.

3. Hedge alongside playing ground, Kinnesswood. Now with P&KC. Confirm that the present hedge will be removed and another hedge placed further into the playing field.

4. Kinnesswood Bus shelter area.

Decision on how to proceed to be taken by the CC.

5. Meeting with Gliding Centre

Yet to be arranged

6. Build Outs. One build out has been moved, other work has stopped due to weather.

7. Vane Farm road.

It was agreed that the Ward Councillors would look at this issue.

8. Loch Leven Heritage Trail.

1. Route alongside RSPB still ongoing.

2. Access to Trail in Levenmouth area still required

9. Sign required to Well at Scotlandwell.

This will be included in the Wash House proposals presently taking place.

10. MBW paperwork with secretary

7. Planning

A detailed list of the planning applications submitted in the Portmoak area can be found on the CC website, www.portmoak.org

8. Subcommittee reports

Paths Group

There was no report. (Work on the path along the A911 had been halted due to weather conditions.)

9. Ward Cllr reports

WCllr Baird reported that the post bus is trying to find a more suitable location. She reminded the meeting that only green lidded bins will be collected until Sunday 19th, additional bags will also be accepted and if you live in a place where you know it is difficult for the bin lorry to access please try to take waste to a suitable location.

All information is available on the P&KC website.

She assured residents that footpaths are not good anywhere. For those that think the rural areas have been ignored the footpaths in Perth are also not good. She wished to thank all the local people who are helping to keep the roads open and looking after their neighbours.

WClIr Barnacle agreed that the Council had a difficult time in keeping the major routes open although the inference of keeping the major routes open was questioned if the minor routes which allowed access to the major routes were not also kept clear.

A resident raised the question of whether a snow blower would be of more assistance than the present snow ploughs and the Chairman agreed that the suggestion should be considered.

Following the bad weather last year P&KC asked CC's to suggest ways of improving the service. There had not been any feedback on these suggestions and therefore it was not clear how P&KC had used these suggestions to improve the service this year.

It was reported that on two occasions personnel employed by P&KC had arrived in Bishop Terrace, Kinnesswood to fill a grit bin although it was confirmed that there had not been a grit bin in this particular position for the past 28 years.

(Post Meeting Note: WClIr Baird reported that more grit bins were due to be sited but the early snowfall had prevented the bases from being constructed)

10. AOCB

None forwarded.

11. WClIr Barnacle gave a presentation on how the Main Issues Report will affect the residents of Portmoak and answered questions by residents.

WClIr Baird gave a different interpretation on two issues that had been raised but agreed that if anyone has anything to say about the issues raised in the report then now was the time.

The Chairman thanked WClIr Barnacle for his presentation.

(A copy of the presentation will be available on www.portmoak.org)

12. Communications

The secretary informed the meeting that a presentation by a spokesperson for the applicant will be given on the proposed planning application at Wester Balgedie at the January 2011 CC meeting.

The following communications had been received following the November meeting

a. Letter from P&KC re extension to consultation period to February 11th 2011

1. Re-arranged dates for workshops being managed by P&KC

2. 12.12.10 Copy of a letter from resident re the price of heating oil

3. Request for a time slot to make a presentation to the CC re planning in the area around Balgedie Toll tavern.

4.10.12.10 P&KC fuel poverty statement

5. 7.12.10 P&KC weekly planning list

6. 7.12.10 ASCC secretary introduction and assistance

7.7.12.10 Local Development plan MIR extended from Jan 14th to Feb 11th 2011

8. 8.12.10 P&KC local art steering group assistance required

9. 7.12.10 P&KC adverse weather refuse collection

10. 1.12.10 Invitation to attend the Scotlandwell Wash house meeting

10a. e mail from resident re Stephens field team

11. 25.11.10 Scottish Government stakeholder survey

12. P&KC Zurich insurance company request to CC's

12a Letter from resident re objection to planning application at Wester Balgedie

13. 17.11.10 e mail from resident re path adjacent to No 27 Whitecraigs

14. Letter from P&KC roads re residents letter about traffic calming measures

15. Letter from Stephens re changes to planning application following site meeting.

The meeting finished at approx. 8.30 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 7.00 pm in the Primary School on January 11th 2011.