

Minutes of the Kirriemuir Landward West Community Council Meeting held in Kilry Hall on Thursday, 26th November at 7.30 pm

Present:

Roger Clegg, Chairman, Kilry	Liz Hamilton, Ruthven
Geoff Hobson, Deputy Chairman, Kingoldrum	Terry Roberts, Glenisla
Sue Smith, Treasurer, Balintore	David Robinson, Airlie
Jo Chapman Campbell, Secretary, Kilry	Councillor Ronnie Proctor

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, Gordon Grewer requested nominations for Chairperson.

Roger Clegg proposed by Liz Hamilton and seconded by David Robinson.

Treasurer – Sue Smith proposed by Geoff Hobson and seconded by Terry Roberts.

Secretary – Roger proposed Jo Chapman Campbell as associate member. Seconded by Sue Smith.

Planning contacts – Geoff Hobson to continue.

Discussion about how to promote the role of Community Council and get more people involved and aware. Setting up a Facebook page and using local press suggested.

1.0 Welcome and Apologies

Apologies from Iain and Jeanette Gaul, John Gibb

2.0 Minutes of Meeting on 27th August 2015 accepted

3.0 Matters arising from previous meeting

Roger in touch with BT re problems with Broadband. Digital Scotland representative booked to attend February meeting. Roger to discuss with him beforehand.

4.0 Financial Position

The balance as of 7th September 2015 at £3,961.00. Accounts approved.

5.0 SCIO

Roger, Sue and Geoff to proceed with setting up of SCIO for Community Benefit fund in anticipation of Tullymurdoch going live. Legal involvement inevitable.

SS anxious to avoid spending KLVCC funds for this at too early a stage. RC confirmed that Tullymurdoch funds would be available in the first year of operation (2017). GH asked if KLVCC funds used to set up the SCIO could be regarded as a loan and then repaid once CB received by the SCIO. This didn't seem to present a problem.

Grid connection for Tullymurdoch booked for February 2017.

RP supportive of this and to investigate whether Angus council might be able to offer professional advice on setting up SCIO to reduce costs.

6.0 Police Report

No Police presence or apologies.

7.0 Electoral Procedure

Completed at start of meeting.

8.0 Waste Collection Dates

No more cards to be distributed – new timetables online or in council offices.

9.0 Correspondence

None

10.0 Members' Items

School

RC – there are no School warning signs either side of the new school.

GH – all lights left on in the evening. RP to raise with council officials.

SS Concerned about theft of machinery from Balintore Bridge and other possible nefarious activities in Balintore area.

RC disappointed in poor police presence at meetings and will write to Police.

Terry – Glenisla Play Park – no further progress and Glenisla committee to organise next meeting with Council and invite RP, RC and TR.

11.0 Planning

Macritch Windfarm

SS – Case has been referred to DPEA for PLI proceedings to be initiated.

ECDU website has been appalling throughout process.

Tension between Scottish Water and Eneco. Situation currently being reviewed. PLI – to be expected some time in 2016.

SS enquired if Angus council's objection to landscape stands but objection re noise and local water supply withdrawn. Will the Council uphold the landscape objection?

Saddlehill

RC – Angus council officials have recommended refusal of the application on grounds of unacceptable landscape impact. The date for Development Standards Committee hearing is January 26th 2016 in Forfar. (Perth and Kinross probably the 27th but not confirmed).

RC – confirmed he is happy to speak on behalf of the local community re the cumulative impact of the turbines. Technical issues already dealt with in initial objection from CC.

SS – Wind Prospect has lost application for 9 turbines in East Lothian – refused by Reporter – unknown effect on their plans for Saddlehill.

Tullymurdoch

Size of turbines reduced but blade size increased by 12m per turbines.
JC-C and Helen Douglas attended hearing at Perth and Kinross council on 18th November and spoke re wildlife and birds and noise issues. The motion to allow this increase was passed on the casting vote.

Greenburn

Discussion about this proposal and given its proximity to Drumderg and to the KLVCC area if it was felt appropriate to send an objection. RC to send objection based SS draft.

Carrach

David Johnson and SS return to the Court of Session on 8th December 2015.
Costs borne by David. Can the CC assist?
RC- Anyone can apply for funds from CC and such application would be discussed at CC meeting and decision taken.

11.0 AOB

Date of next meeting: Thursday, 25th February 2016