

Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council

Minutes for Monthly Public Meeting

Catterline School, 30th October 2012

Attendees and Apologies

Present: Andrew Chedburn (chair), Karen Hales, Aileen Swarbrick, Eeva-Kaisa Arter (secretary)

Attending: Cllr George Carr,

Apologies: John Carr, Tim Crabb, Billy Dargie, Ann Masson, Phil Murray, Karen Wood

Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and the motion that they be approved moved by Aileen Swarbrick and seconded by Andrew Chedburn.

Matters Arising

None.

Financial Matters

The current account stood at £187.46 and the Savings Account at £241.24

Planning Applications

Ref.	Date	Address	Proposal
APP/2012/3186	2012-09-26	Lumgair Farm Barras Stonehaven AB39 2TS	Erection of Replacement Agricultural Building
APP/2012/3244	2012-10-01	Cotbank of Barras Barras Stonehaven AB39 2UH	Siting of Temporary Lodge and Decking
APP/2012/2838	2012-09-28	Cotbank of Barras Barras Stonehaven AB39 2UH	Conversion to Steading to 4 No. Dwellinghouses (change of house types) amendment to Approved Application APP/2008/4347 and Erection of 3 No. Detached Garages

Matters Arising from Planning Applications

The CC discussed the applications and decided to write a letter to the planners in regard to APP/2012/3244, siting of temporary lodge and decking at Cotbank of Barras. The CC wanted to emphasise that the structure should indeed be temporary, and its disposal should be effected in an environmentally sound way.

Community Fund

There was a discussion of a community fund; how to set one up; who would manage it; the criteria for the distribution of funds; who would be eligible to receive them etc.

Cllr Carr informed the committee that Hillhead developers were looking at how to distribute monies and also that K& M Area Partnership had expressed its willingness to administer the funds. He emphasized the importance of having representation from all community councils that were eligible to receive funds, such as Arbuthnot, CKD, Inverbervie and Stonehaven. With regard to St John's wind farm, Arbuthnot, CKD and Inverbervie would match the criteria for sharing of the funds. He added that the Partnership would be an effective body for receiving, holding and handing out of monies, as well as engaging the public in consultation.

In response to Aileen Swarbrick's query about the time available to deal with funds, more information was needed.

Karen Hales thought K&M Partnership might be the most appropriate body to handle the funds but stressed the importance of involving the community in determining the criteria for the distribution of funds and suggesting worthwhile projects. The consultation could be done at an event, through a press release or a mail shot, assuming CC funds were available.

Cllr Carr pointed out the demands of managing half a million pounds as well as the pitfalls for people involved in the task. He could not emphasize enough the need for proper safeguards, strict procedures and the importance of transparency and accountability when dealing with funds. Karen Hales and Aileen Swarbrick agreed.

Cllr Carr mentioned that wind farm developers had templates for weighting the distance of areas from wind farms. He reported that Isabella Williamson, chair of KMAP, would contact CKDCC about the funds. He went on to suggest the creation of a steering group that would meet a couple of times to consider possible community projects. Finally, he urged CKDCC to make sure there would be CKDCC representation on the body handling community funds.

Correspondence

- Stephen Wilson: road safety on the A92 at Mill of Uras and the unclassified from MoU to Barras
- Caroll Evans, chair K&M Safety Group: will take up Stephen Wilson's concerns at next meeting 28.11.12
- Stephen Archer, Director of Infrastructure Services: Extension to Cloak Farm Caravan Park - Philip McKay, Head of Roads and Landscape services will look into the conditions of the Caravan Park extension

Roads

It was decided to wait for responses from K&M area committee with regard to road safety at Mill of Uras and on the unclassified road leading from there to Barras as well as that at Roadside of Catterline.

Cllr Carr reiterated that road incidents were not recorded, only fatalities.

Dunnottar Woods

Annual General Meeting to take place on 29th November.

Any Other Business

Cllr Carr made it known that there had been an example of an inappropriate lay-out for a house next to a farm house in the countryside.

Aileen Swarbrick hoped there would be training for community councillors; the CC handbook was not enough. Cllr Carr saw the difficulties eg. in dealing with multiple planning applications because of the very short timescale for discussion.

Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 27th November 2012