



Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council

Meeting Public Agenda
Catterline School (Hall) and Online
Tuesday 30th May 2023

Agenda



1. Attendees and Apologies
2. Previous Meeting Action Points
3. Police Update
4. Community Funding and Kincardineshire Development Partnership (KDP)
5. Treasurer Report
6. New Planning Applications and Updates
7. Correspondence
8. Roads and Transport
9. Catterline Braes (CBAG)
10. A.O.B



Attendees and Apologies

Attendees

- Piet voor de Poorte (Chair and Webmaster), Duncan Grassick (Secretary), Duncan Talbert (Planning Secretary), Chris Wicks (Vice-Chair), Eeva-Kaisa Arter, Callum Chesshire, Phil Murray, Cllr Allison Evison, Edward Perry (from outside Stonehaven), Cllr George Carr

Apologies

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List of potential attendees – Council members;

Piet voor de Poorte (Chair and Webmaster)

Chris Wicks (Vice-Chair)

Duncan Grassick (Secretary)

Duncan Talbert (Planning Secretary)

Phil Murray

Eeva-Kaisa Arter

Callum Chesshire

Other past attendees;

Cllr George Carr, Cllr Allison Evison

Diane Henderson (Aberdeenshire Council)

Scott Begg (UCW Energy)



Last meeting action points

- Approval of April meeting minutes
- Update on the coastal path
- CKDCC Insurance

Minutes of April Meeting

Approved: Pieter voor de Poorte

Seconded: Eeva-Kaisa Arter

Caspar has been contacted for update to coastal path

Harbour Trust Insurance currently has an issue with their provider as the public liability clause excludes harbours.



Police Report



April Police
Report

April updated local report;

Livestock attacks namely by dogs – call 999 if the crime is ongoing with the owners potentially fined up to £40,000 or prison up to 12 months.

Anti-social Behaviour calls within the Coastal Road area for the months as follows:

- April there were 3 calls received, 1 youth disturbances

Acquisitive Crime

- There was one acquisitive crime in the Coastal Road area

Drink/Drug Driving

- There was one instance of drink/drug driving in the Coastal Road area

Dangerous Driving

- There were was no reports of dangerous driving for the month of April

Careless Driving

- There was one instance of careless driving in April

Stonehaven snapshot – 12 antisocial calls and 10 youth disorders. 4 shopliftings.
One person reported for Drink/Drug driving

Community Funding and KDP

- Hillhead of Auquhirie Community Fund now Open – Closes for applications Friday 30th June.
- Funding request for Bike Stand at St Philips Church
- Upper Criggie Wind Farm Fund
 - Current balance - £6,563.22 – no change
- Funding award from St Johns Hill Wind Farm Community Fund for village QR codes



CKDCC has received a funding request for 2 x bike stand

- CKDCC by majority approved issuing Catterline Community Church a £200 grant for the purchase of two bike stands which will be positioned at St Philips Church.
- The £200 will be issued from the Upper Criggie Wind Farm fund
- Conditions are that (as per other wind farm funds):
 - The fund (Upper Criggie) is acknowledged in any (social) media releases
 - Receipts are provided
 - Provide photos of the completed work
 - Any residual funds are returned to the Upper Criggie Wind Farm Community Fund
 - Should be spent within a year
 - Have relevant (if applicable) permissions / building warrants in place to install the bike stands

Upper Criggie Wind Farm Fund consideration of reappointment of sub committee to manage the funds.

Treasurer Report



- Previous balance current account
– £2,838.74
- Expenditures
– £0
- Income
– £2,884.20 – St Johns Hill Community Fund – QR
Codes Project
- Updated balance
– £5,722.94



Planning Applications

Key Application Points

- During this period there was one new
 - The Schoolhouse, Kinneff for felling of Sycamore Tree



Correspondence

- Louise Anderson (SSE) – Transmission East Coast Phase 2 consultation feedback period extended till Friday 23rd June [Kintore-Fiddes-Tealing 400kV OHL Connection - SSEN Transmission \(ssen-transmission.co.uk\)](https://www.ssen-transmission.co.uk)
 - ‘Save our Mearns’ facebook page provides details on how to object. They held a meeting on Saturday which was attended by 350 people
 - Mearns CC will assist in helping anyone without a computer submit a response
 - Arbuthnott CC hope to hold a public meeting next week – details will be shared.

Comments below regarding the Kintore-Fiddes-Tealing 400kV Over Head Line Proposal

- Lack of nuclear options has provided a gap for the central belt power requirement. This means more supply is required from England and conversely, the option to send Scotland's green energy (especially when the wind is blowing) down to the rest of the UK. Additional substation to be built in Barras which will be significant size (biggest in UK).
- Question was asked how many people would the project/sub stations employ – this is currently not known.
- Compulsory purchase of some properties was also a consideration.
- People are upset about the lack of transparency and the assuming of SSEN that this was going ahead.
- Aberdeenshire Council is only consultee in the process although the substation will require the usual planning application. Scottish Government will have the final say.
- Question was asked why it wasn't a sea cable used to get between here and Dundee (or indeed further).
- Ofgem could also be written too with peoples concerns
- The consultation form has not been considered very easy to complete making it harder to voice concerns.
- MSP Tess White is having discussions with SSEN.
- Agricultural land could be affected over a long period with building and contamination.
- It was confirmed that onshore wind farms are controlled by devolved power.
- It was also mentioned that another 100 acres site being looked into for another offshore wind farm next to Johnshaven

- The prospectus regarding the project appeared to be put together in Peacemeal way which has further upset residents. It also seems like they are pitting routes against each other.
- It was pointed out that the tax payer will be picking up the tab for the development.
- Edward mentioned that this process should be done properly and not rushed through and that 'it feels wrong'. It also lacks engineering information and gives the impression that we are like a flea on a dog. He would also like to see consideration in the percentage, not the numbers of people who object being the critical factor due to the lower number of residents compared to the likes of the South East. Also, SSE are a 75% owners in SSEN – the situation is a win win for them as they get paid regardless of whether they export or not (ie even if the wind farms are producing and the electricity is not needed, they will still get paid). He added, "There are certainly better ways to do it and technology has moved on a long way since 1920s."
- It was noted that the first communication received by the CKDCC was on the 10th May 2023
- The question was asked where is the National Grid in all this? As the tax payer, why don't we have a say to whether on how our land looks. The community should have the right to decide if we want to spend more on our bills for the optimal solution for all.
- Question was asked if this was a long term solution or if we will be back again discussing another project in 10 years
- Need integrated approach. Get MP's to come back, bring clarity and provide further information.
- Is there an official process to this type of project and are SSEN following it?

In regards to CKDCC position, we will note our reservation to the process, the time frame that has been applied, the lack of information provided and ask where this is a broader strategy (is this enough and future proof). We could do a majority view.



Correspondence

- Ian Hunter (TRAK) – The next Trak Meeting will be on 1st June at 7pm in the Lounge of Stonehaven Community Centre. An obvious agenda item is the Engagement Initiative on Aberdeenshire Council Transport Strategy. <https://engage.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/localtransportstrategy2023>
- KDP – The KDP AGM will be held on Thursday 8th June at 2pm, at St Bridget's Hall in Stonehaven,
- Cllr George Carr (Aberdeenshire Council) – Funding for Scottish Councils Fair Share

Figures currently show that there is a £51M shortfall in Aberdeenshire Councils budget and £71M shortfall in Aberdeen City Councils Budget

Roads and Transport



- Aberdeenshire Council chased again regarding installation of two outstanding signs in Catterline
- Road Surface Dressing continuing throughout Aberdeenshire
 - Comments that the dressing at Lumgair has not been very effective

Catterline Braes & Operandum



- Continual review of drain efficiency

Any Other Business



- AGM to be held at our next meeting
- Catterline Gala – Monies to be transferred

Next meeting Tuesday 27th June 2023

The server that hosts our information is currently down for an unknown amount of time.

Harbour trust meeting – Pier was reviewed with concrete facing looking like it needs to be replaced which will require funding in the future.

In regards to the Catterline Gala funds, it was agreed to hold this money for a set period of time (TBC) in case the Gala Committee is re-established. Thereafter, it can be used either as an addition to the Upper Criggie Wind Farm Funding or provided to charity (potentially pass on to Kinneff Hall)

Consideration to change the day of the Community Council meeting to the last Wednesdays of the month.