

Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council

Meeting Public Agenda Catterline School (Hall) Tuesday 26th September 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 Talbert (Planning Secretary), Chris
Wicks (Vice-Chair), Eeva-Kaisa Arter, Cllr
George Carr, Cllr Allison Evison

Apologies

Phil Murray, Duncan Grassick (Secretary),
Callum Chesshire

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) Stephen Hall



Last meeting action points

- Approval of June meeting minutes
- Website update
- Catterline park gate



Minutes of June Meeting

Approved: Chris Wicks

Seconded: Eeva-Kaisa Arter

The new CKDCC website remains under construction. The web developer hopes to make progress over the next few weeks.

A new gate has been erected at Catterline park, with thanks to the quick response from the team at Aberdeenshire Council.

Additional discussion points:

- 1) What is the latest update on potential (quarterly / half-yearly?) police attendance at the CKDCC meetings?
- 2) Outstanding actions don't always get ported across to the next Minutes, so it was suggested to use a separate action register, which would allow actions to be properly tracked to closure.

Action **Duncan G** to look into these discussion points.



Police Report



July local report;

Bicycle focus this month – Number of recommendations including using multiple lock types and photograph the bike including serial number.

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

- In July there were 9 calls received, none relating to youth disturbances Acquisitive Crime
- There was one theft and one shoplifting reported in the Coastal Road area Drink/Drug Driving
- There were no instances of drink/drug driving in the Coastal Road area Dangerous Driving
- There were no reports of dangerous driving for the month of July Careless Driving
- There was one instance of careless driving

Stonehaven snapshot – 13 antisocial calls and 14 youth disorders. 5 thefts (including motor vehicle). 3 drunk/drink driving, 2 dangerous and 3 careless driving reported

Community Funding and KDP

Upper Criggie Wind Farm Fund

- Previous balance current account
 - -£6,363.22
- Expenditures
 - -£0
- Income
 - -£0
- Updated balance
 - -£6,363.22





With the St John's Hill Wind Farm Community Fund opening on the 1st January for three months, and the Hillhead of Auquhirie Wind Farm Community Fund opening on the 1st of March for three months, the attendees discussed when it would be best to open the Upper Criggie Community Fund. It was agreed to open the fund mid-October for one month.

Post-meeting note: Due to time and resource constraints it was not possible to open the Upper Criggie Community Fund mid-October. An alternative proposal to open the fund mid-November for two months was circulated to the CKD Community Councillors. Decision to be made at the next CKDCC meeting at the end of October.

Action **Piet**: Annual statement to be prepared and submitted to the Upper Criggie developer (UCW Energy Ltd).

The Upper Criggie contribution (£2,250) for the period April 2022 to March 2023 is due by the end of this month. As at the date of this meeting (26th September), the contribution remains outstanding.

Action **Piet:** Reminder to be sent to UCW Energy Ltd.

Treasurer Report



- Previous balance current account
 - -£5,722.94
- Expenditures
 - -£0
- Income
 - -£585.00
- Updated balance
 - -£6,307.94

Annual contribution received from Aberdeenshire Council



Planning Applications

Key Application Points

 During the last period there were five new applications, two of which have been approved. In addition, a further four prior applications have been approved



Correspondence

 Mairi Eddie (KDP) – Study performed on the community transport options for the coastal strip from Catterline to St. Cyrus. Presentation to be held on Monday 16th October, Burgh Hall in Inverbervie.



- The two outstanding signs have now been erected by Aberdeenshire Council (see photographs):
 - A parking clarification sign at the school
 - Repeat dead-end sign at the top of the harbour road
 - Despite the extensive consultations with the local community, it turned out the sign at the top of the harbour road was erected on private land. The owner raised the issue with Aberdeenshire Council and, following discussion, it was agreed that the sign can remain, but the owner can ask for the sign to be removed at any point in the future if so required.



Discussion regarding the 'new' road markings at the junction with the A92 and A957 at Stonehaven. Traffic from the A957 joining the A92, and the north-bound slip-road from the A92 turning onto the A957, both have 'give way' markings on the road surface, causing confusion as to who has the right of way. Logically, traffic from the A92 should have priority over traffic from the A957.

There was unanimous agreement that this is a confusing and dangerous junction in general, with high-speed traffic coming off the south-bound A90 onto the A92, and that section of the A92 being dual carriageway, which does catch people out. Personal experience in the room of cars going the wrong way, and cars forgetting to switch off their indicators coming off the south-bound A90, so traffic from the A957 thinks the car is turning off onto the A957 while in fact it's not, leading to accidents.

Action **Piet**: Contact Aberdeenshire Council's Road Department to request what the intent is behind the 'new' give way markings on the north-bound A92 slip-road to the A957, and query whether there are any plans to improve the safety of this junction.

Catterline Braes



- NBS intervention below the harbour road car park "made safe"
- Funding awarded from the Hillhead of Auquhirie Wind Farm Community Fund for hydroseeding the area above the bottom log level. The hydroseeding should have been completed last Friday (22nd September) but the contractor was involved in an accident on the AWPR (no personal injuries luckily), so the work had to be postponed.



Any Other Business



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Next meeting Tuesday 31st October 2023

Piet attended the CC Forum meeting on the 6th September, with the following key points to note:

- Following the retirement of Bruce Stewart, Tim Stephen has taken on the role as Area Manager, with a largely new team supporting him. Tim intends to attend one of our CC meetings over the next year or so to meet us in person.
- Aberdeenshire Council is moving to generic, automated contact telephone numbers rather than direct contacts, which appears to be causing issues with the general public not being able to get through to get the information / service they need. CCs can still contact the area office directly.
- Documents which are issued to CCs for comment can be difficult to understand and not well structured. As Community Councillors are all volunteers with limited time, an executive summary and more targeted requests (i.e. these are the key points we'd like you to comment on) would be helpful.
- The KDP constitution has been changed. Previously, most of the members had to be nominated by CCs, but now effectively anybody can join the board. It is important that CCs keep their linkage with KDP. Suggestion that once-a-year KDP attend a CC meeting to provide an update.
- Future topic request on speed restrictions. How does the process work if we wanted to change a speed limit?
- Next CC Forum meeting planned for Wednesday 6th December 2023.

Action **Duncan G**: Slides were going to be issued after the CC Forum meeting, introducing Tim Stephen's team. Please check whether these slides have been received and follow-up with AC if not. Official MoM from that meeting would also be useful if

these exist. Please distribute to CKDCC members when received.

Discussion on waste and recycling led by Councillor George Carr:

- Need alignment on waste and recycling between the various councils.
- It is likely that changes will be coming in relation to the booking system for the Stonehaven household waste recycling centre.
- The quality of the new bins is questionable, and they are very light, which means that in windy conditions they can blow onto the road. Should this cause an accident, who is liable?