

Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council

Minutes for Monthly Public Meeting

Catterline School, 26th April 2016

Attendees and Apologies

Present: Debbie Murray (secretary), John Carr, Dave Evans, George Greiss, Peter Hales, Phil Murray (chair), Dave Ramsay, Andrew Chedburn
Attending; Councillor George Carr, Karen McWilliam (Aberdeenshire Council)
Apologies: Linda Swan, Tim Crabb, Cllr Dave Stewart

Minutes of Last Meeting

approved: Dave Ramsay
seconded: Pete Hales.

Matters Arising from Minutes

- Noted: An amended copy of CKDDC Constitution has been lodged with Aberdeenshire council incorporating details of the community benefit fund from UCW Energy, St Johns Hill and Aquirie wind farm schemes.
- Noted: best practice for liquid fertilizer tanks, similar to those at the west of Mill of Uras, would be for such tanks to be bunded. We are still waiting for a reply from Graeme Able from SEPA with advice.
- Noted: waiting for a reply regarding an update on road between Burnside cottages and Jimmy Moirs land. (Original letter sent 31/03/16)
- Noted: Awaiting reply on details and proposals for the Glasslaw junction, (original letter form EKA dates 28/03/16)

Financial Matters

John Carr (treasurer) reported:

- The bank balance is unchanged.
- Project grant is pending
- A cheque has been issued for Stephen Hall for his role as web master
- A cheque has been issued for Mary Forbes for the Lunch Club held at Kinneff Hall

Police Report

No police officers were present at the meeting.

Cllr Carr reported:

- there had been a report of hare coursing in the area
- questions raised in respect of delayed response/no answer from the police non-urgent call center. Cllr Carr will keep the CC informed of any update from Grampian police with regards to resolving this.

Matters Arising from Planning Applications

Planning Application APP/2015/2094 for a supermarket + petrol station at New Mains of Ury received a positive response at the Kincardine and Mearns Area Committee.

John Carr made observations with reference to

- (a) the application for the temp food van at Dunnottar Castle and questioned what had happened to the original application for a visitors' centre/café – Pete Hales undertook to correspond with planning department on this one.
- (b) The old radio station at Dunnottar – questioning at what stage (if any) is this application?

Correspondence

- letters to/from the Roads Dept. (Erosion opposite the entry to the Creel)
- from Aileen Swarbrick – thanking the CC for flowers and nice words
- to/from Philip Leiper – road concerns at the Glasslaw junction on the A92
- note of condolence to Mrs M Watt
- Piers Blaxter – concerns about the time it was taking to implement a new planning system and the lack of information about how the general economic situation was affecting planning (Peter Hales)
- to UCW Energy Ltd – reply to the draft contract informing UCW about modification to the CKDCC constitution which would enable the CC to manage the UCW community fund
- to/from Kevin Adam of ACC – St John's Hill Windfarm contract matters

Roads

Cllr George Carr advised:

- the Roads officer is Ewan Smith (and not Wendy Smith). 03456 081205.
- he had received a response regarding Roadside of Catterline Junction – it is the Roads departments view that there is still not enough evidence to put in a Right Hand Turn lane (despite video evidence!)
- any road matters raised by CKDCC, (pot holes and otherwise!) should be copied to Philip Leiper.
- It was also noted that the Roads Department have been working on the slippage at the edge of the road leading to the Creel Inn – Between Burnside Cottages and Jimmy Moir’s Land) however this looks like investigation, test bores etc. We await an official update from Roads Dept.

Community Funds

Phil Murray summarised the latest correspondence involving the St Johns Hill community fund concerning CKDDC, ACC, KDP and Gary Ewan (the lawyer for the wind farm operator at Pinsent Masons). At this stage we are waiting for clarification / acceptance of the 3 additional points added to the contract by CKDDC, which was submitted to ACC for their agreement. (see minutes dated 29th March 2016).

Karen McWilliam asked if there is a PR exercise to advertise the funds are now available the question was asked if this is a KDP job? Noted that this should be discussed at the next meeting given the less than positive experiences with the previous area partnership.

Noted:

- The Aquirhie benefit fund is now accepting applications for funding.
- A Sub-committee for the St Johns Hill funding (via KDP) should be considered in the near future
- George Greiss will endeavour to contact Aileen Swarbrick. Cllr G Carr to furnish George with Aileen’s personal contact details.

CBAG

• Phil Murray reported there had been a CBAG meeting two weeks ago and a compressor is still required for some work to be carried out. Cllr Carr is in the process of obtaining information from a contact he has in Auchenble who might be able to help to source an adequate sized one

Any Other Business

- Debbie Murray suggested the CDCCK website be brought up to date with additions – Pete Hales has undertaken to speak to Stephen Hall regarding what this would involve.
- Debbie Murray to arrange flowers and note to EKA
- Add Linda Swan to the Yahoo Group email
- Andrew Chedburn asked about the defibrillators - Debbie to speak to EKA regarding the Difibrillators and copies of any correspondence.
- Dave Ramsay discussed his Paper a collective community group – to be discussed in more detail at the next meeting

Date of Next MeetingTuesday 31st May 2016