



Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council

Meeting Public Agenda

Catterline School (Hall)

Tuesday 25th June 2024

Agenda



1. Attendees and Apologies
2. Previous Meeting and 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), Eeva-Kaisa Arter, Chris Wicks (Vice-Chair), Phil Murray, Callum Chesshire,

Apologies

- Cllr Allison Evison, Duncan Talbert (Planning Secretary), Cllr George Carr,

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

Rob Reglinski

Tim Stephen (Aberdeenshire Council)



Last Meeting Action Points

- Approval of May meeting minutes
- QR code project completed and end-of-project report submitted to KDP



Minutes of May Meeting

Approved:

Pieter voor de Poorte

Seconded:

Chris Wicks



Last Meeting Action Points (Cont)

| Action Item | Description | Assigned to: | Due Date | Status |
|-------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| 1 | Review, modify and distribute for review the new community council constitution proposals | Pieter voor de Poorte | 25 th June | Complete |
| 2 | Review options to merge CKDCC, Harbour Trust and Gala committees | Phil Murray | 24 th Sept | To Do |
| 3 | Investigate option to submit press release to search for CKDCC new members | Pieter voor de Poorte | 24 th Sept | To Do |
| 4 | Request insurance premium reimbursed to CKDCC | Duncan Grassick | 25 th June | Ongoing |
| 5 | Provide letter of support to Oakley ASN charity | Duncan Grassick | 25 th June | Ongoing |
| 6 | Confirm to KDP who shall be CKDCC representative at Hillhead of Auquhirie decision making panel | Duncan Grassick | 25 th June | Complete |
| 7 | Complete and submit letting applications for use of the School Hall for CKDCC meetings | Duncan Grassick | 25 th June | Complete |



Police Report



May Police Report

May local report;

This month's focus is regarding fraud and anti-social behaviour in the forests.

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

- There were 6 calls received, none relating to youth disturbances

Acquisitive Crime

- There was two reported instances of acquisitive crime in the Coastal Road area – one shop lifting and one housebreaking, both of which are under investigation

Drink/Drug Driving

- There was one instance of drink/drug driving which is under investigation

Dangerous Driving

- There were no reports of dangerous driving

Careless Driving

- There was no reports of careless

Stonehaven snapshot – 21 antisocial calls of which six related to youth disorders. 11 thefts, six of which related to shoplifting and all remain under investigation except for one of the shopliftings which has been detected. 1 drug/drink driving, 1 dangerous (both under investigation) and zero careless driving reported.

Community Funding and KDP

Upper Criggie Wind Farm Fund

- Previous balance current account
 - £6,639.48
- Expenditures
 - £0
- Income
 - £1,973.64 Funds returned from Kinneff School Parents Group
- Updated balance
 - £8,613.22
- KDP Trustee representative from CKDCC
- Hillhead of Auquhirie Windfarm Community Fund open for applications until 30th June 2024



Eeva-Kaisa to step down and Duncan will look to become KDP representative if the secretary position is relinquished in September

Treasurer Report



- Previous balance current account
– £3,126.54
- Expenditures
– £0
- Income
– £0
- Updated balance
– £3,126.54



Planning Applications



May Planning
Applications

Key Application Points

- Two new applications
 - Replacement windows at The Steading East Mains of Barras
 - Erection of accommodation annexe at West Town of Barras
- One decided approved application;
 - Potato store and chicken coop (retrospective)

Erection of accommodation annexe will be to allow for disability person to be able to maintain a level of independence and remain close to his family for support.



Correspondence

- Jose Fernandez (opdenenergy) – Submitting a proposal of application notice of 50MW battery storage at Bridgend Farm
- Alison Hogge (Aberdeenshire Council) – Consultation on draft Aberdeenshire Open Space Audit and draft Play Sufficiency Assessment [LDP Evidence Report Play Recreation and Sport | Engage Aberdeenshire](#)
- Fred Powada – Local history display in Stonehaven Library



Correspondence

Alex Morrison - I am a resident of Roadside of Kinneff and would like to bring three issues to the attention of the Community Council for discussion at the forthcoming Council meeting please.

Overgrown vegetation

- The footpath alongside the A92 heading north out of the village is substantially overgrown to the point that in places it is impossible to walk down the footpath without stepping out into the road, which is partly within the 60mph speed limit section.
- The height of the vegetation is also very low where it overhangs the carriageway and barely clears passing HGV traffic, further the speed limit signs are obscured.
- The issue predominantly I believe is due to the trees and shrubs in the adjacent ground (I presume owned by Fawsyde House) being allowed to grow unchecked, and also the amount of rubbish / litter that has collected along the length of the footpath.
- For the avoidance of doubt, the footpath I am referring to is the section between the former Rob Roy Inn and Fawsyde Lodge.
- I have previously reported this to Aberdeenshire Council, however, to date nothing has been actioned to improve the access, which is otherwise unsafe for pedestrians.
- I wonder wether CKDCC would support this complaint by raising it directly with the Shire Council and request that they inspect and report back to CKDCC?

ACTION Phil – to approach the home owner regarding the overgrown issue.

ACTION Duncan – reply to Alex Morrison with out feedback



Correspondence

- The Council has statutory powers under the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 to deal with the matter by way of a 21 day notice to the landowner before the Council itself can intervene.
- In summary the issues in conflict with the Roads (Scotland) Act are:
 - The full width of the footpath is not available due to overhanging vegetation
 - The available height above the footway is less than 2.5 meters
 - The speed limit signs are obscured
 - The full width of the carriageway plus a further 1 metre width back from the carriageway edge should be clear of overhanging vegetation, up to a height of 5 metres above carriageway level.



Correspondence

Speeding

- I am of the opinion that a percentage off the traffic using the A92 though Roadside of Kinneff do so exceeding the 40mph speed limit.
- Is the Council aware of any recent complaints made by other local residents and is the Council aware of any speed surveys that have been undertaken within the last 5 years?
- Lastly, are you able to signpost me towards who I can contact to raise this suspected issue further?

Speed surveys have been conducted previously and do take place periodically.

ACTION Chairman – To bring up the issue of speeding in Kinneff at the next Community Council Forum.



Correspondence

Village Hall

- I am aware that planning consent was approved in March 2023 for the construction of a new village hall.
- Is the Council able to provide an indication of when work to demolish and reconstruct the Hall will commence and the reasons for the delay so far?
- The external decor and perimeter fencing of the existing village hall is in appalling condition and is quite an eyesore within the village. Part of the fencing being destroyed by a car crashing through it but never replaced.
- On the presumption that works to replace the village hall will not commence within the next 6 months can I politely request that CKDCC put forwards a motion to have the existing village hall painted at the very least, and the fencing repaired. This will have the effect of reducing the effect of blight and will make our village hall look cared for once again?

Currently no plans to replace fence or repaint as all money is being put towards the Village Hall rebuild

To confirmed, CKDCC is not responsible for the hall and it is not council owned

ACTION Duncan – reply to Alex Morrison with out feedback



Correspondence

- **Fiona Esson (Aberdeenshire Council) – CC Grants**

In order for you to release these funds you will need to provide the following documents:

- Copy of your Public Liability Insurance certificate showing a minimum of £5 million in cover
- Independently verified annual accounts for the most recent financial year
- Draft minute of your AGM showing the most recent accounts were approved by the Community Council
- Evidence of data protection fee payment to the ICO
- Copy of your updated Constitution following approval at your AGM or an EGM

| Kincardine & Mearns Community Councils | 2023/24 Electors | 2024/25 Electors | Admin Grant | Variable Grant | Total Grant |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Arbuthnott | 273 | 278 | £575.00 | £30.00 | £605.00 |
| Benholm & Johnshaven | 700 | 764 | £575.00 | £82.00 | £657.00 |
| Catterline Kinneff & Dunnottar | 972 | 986 | £575.00 | £106.00 | £681.00 |
| Crathes, Drumoak & Durris | 2,231 | 2258 | £575.00 | £242.00 | £817.00 |
| Gourdon | 659 | 676 | £575.00 | £72.00 | £647.00 |
| Mearns | 6,828 | 6823 | £575.00 | £730.00 | £1,305.00 |
| Newtonhill, Muchalls & Cammachmore | 3,009 | 3099 | £575.00 | £332.00 | £907.00 |
| North Kincardine | 2,273 | 2398 | £575.00 | £257.00 | £832.00 |
| Portlethen and District | 7,329 | 7368 | £575.00 | £789.00 | £1,364.00 |
| Royal Burgh of Inverberrie | 1,844 | 1832 | £575.00 | £196.00 | £771.00 |
| St Cyrus | 1,339 | 1361 | £575.00 | £146.00 | £721.00 |
| Stonehaven | 9,214 | 9221 | £575.00 | £986.00 | £1,561.00 |
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| Totals | 36,671 | 37,064 | £6,900.00 | £3,968.00 | £10,868.00 |



Roads and Transport

- Response received from Ian Peacock regarding the A92/A957 road markings. He's awaiting a response from the maintenance team... Note that the CKDCC submitted their initial enquiry in October 2023.

Two accidents at the Mill of Uras have occurred recently involving cars and motorbikes. Although the chevrons in the middle of the road were painted on and there has not been a fatality since, this doesn't mean there are not serious accidents happening with continued high potential for further incidents.

Catterline Braes



- South coast erosion / flood issues meeting held 20th June with representatives from Aberdeenshire Council (AC), SEPA and the various coastal Community Councils south of Stonehaven. Duncan G and Piet vdP attended, representing the CKDCC and CBAG. It was interesting to hear from each of the representatives, building the bigger picture of the various challenges.
- AC are working on a Coastal Change Adaption Plan as per guidance from the Scottish Government, see <https://www.dynamiccoast.com/cca>. It should also be noted that AC are still looking to fill a coastal engineer vacancy.
- Concluding, any short term coastal defence remediation work, such as restoring the gabion baskets, would have to be organised by ourselves, and AC would assist where possible. Minutes are to be circulated and a follow-up meeting will be organised for later in the year.

Any Other Business



- Push for new members to join CKDCC

Next meeting Tuesday 24th September 2024