

Balquhiddar Community Council
Ordinary Meeting
5th November 2003 in Lochearnhead Village Hall

Present: As Inaugural Meeting

As there were some items of business requiring immediate attention, these were discussed as follows:

1. Planning Application: Request to remove local residents restriction received from owner of property at Garnafouran on back road to Balquhiddar. Agreed that Community Council response should be that in absence of full facts, the application would appear to be in breach of the local plan and should therefore be referred to the Planning Committee.

Action: Ian Inglis to write as above.

2. Waste Fair: With new recycling facilities at Kingshouse and changes to litter collection due to begin, Stirling Council have offered to hold a Waste Fair in the area to give local people more information.

Agreed date should be Saturday 17th January 2004 in Lochearnhead Village Hall.

Action: Suzanne to contact David Riggle at Stirling Council to confirm this.

3. Community Futures: Suzanne informed members that they currently hold the budget for administrating Community Futures events etc for the 3 villages. Suggestion that discussion should take place with reps from the 3 villages plus St Fillans about options for a structure that can lead on progressing action plans. Suggested date 2nd December. Noted that next cc meeting programmed for following night, so alternative date might be arranged. Members will be notified.

Action: Suzanne

3. Broadband in rural areas: Suzanne suggested Fiona Soutar of Scottish Enterprise Forth Valley should be invited to give a presentation to the cc on options available. Agreed that she should be invited to January meeting.

Action: Suzanne to ask Fiona Soutar to contact Ian Inglis.

4. Christmas Tree lighting point in Lochearnhead: Suzanne had been asked to pursue funding for this by previous cc. Awaiting written quotation from Stirling Council for approx £1000 for their work. S&S electricity have submitted quote for £43240. Plan had been to apply for community grant for £1000 and cc to put in remainder with funds available in the account for this. It was agreed that Suzanne continue to pursue this but to keep Ian Inglis informed of progress.

Action: Suzanne to ask S&S for extension on accepting their contract and to discuss funding likelihood with Stirling Council.

5. Transport in the Park event on Saturday 8th November 1.30 pm in Killin McLaren Hall. Alan Clarke to attend on behalf of cc.

6. Date of next meeting: **Weds 4th December 7.30pm in Balquhiddar Village Hall.**