

MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE TROSSACHS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
HELD ON 9TH NOVEMBER 2006 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Martin Earl
Lesley Niven
Duncan Carmichael
Roger Drapper
Iain Fraser
John Isbister
Jane Begg
Jan Wilkinson
Ron Mendham

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Frank Trzebiatowski and Helen Geddes

1. INTRODUCTION

Helen Geddes, Community Council Support Officer from Stirling Council welcomed everyone to the inaugural meeting and confirmed that TCC would comprise 10 members with 1 vacancy. It would be necessary to elect a chairman, vice chairman, treasurer and secretary and to appoint a planning correspondent. An AGM must be held in May, June or July.

Helen circulated a paper entitled "Revised scheme for the establishment of Community Councils" which sets out the framework governing their creation and operation. It was noted that the Community Council Handbook is no longer available but it is possible to download a "skills toolkit" from the Stirling Council website.

Lesley agreed to complete and return the 2007 schedule of meetings.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Gene Maxwell.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following were elected:

		<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Second</u>
Chairman	Martin Earl	Lesley Niven	Ron Mendham
Vice Chairman	Roger Drapper	Martin Earl	Duncan Carmichael
Treasurer	John Isbister	Jane Begg	Roger Drapper
Secretary	Lesley Niven	Jane Begg	Iain Fraser

Ron Mendham proposed that Jane Begg be appointed Planning correspondent and this was seconded by Jan Wilkinson.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12TH OCTOBER 2006

The approval of the minutes was proposed by Roger Drapper and seconded by Iain Fraser.

5. MATTERS ARISING

a) BICENTINERY OF THE LADY OF THE LAKE

It was agreed to delete this from the agenda for the time being.

b) ENVIRONMENTAL DAY

Duncan explained the background to Environmental Day which is to be held on Saturday, 10 March in conjunction with the Spring Bulb Show organised by TDWA. It was agreed that the event would need to be advertised to attract sufficient visitors from outside the immediate area. Duncan has already been in contact with possible participants and he and Roger will continue to progress with help from Andy Oldroyd. Jan will liaise with TDWA.

It was agreed to retain this as a specific item on the agenda.

c) WELCOME PACK

Lesley reported that work is ongoing. To be retained as a specific item on the agenda.

6. REPORTS

It was agreed to keep this section on the agenda for community organisations' reports and to move planning and roads' reports to the specific items section.

Ron Mendham is to continue as the TCC representative on the Trossachs Community Trust.

7. SPECIFIC ITEMS

a) PLANNING

Nothing to report. Agreed in future to reproduce any responses on planning applications and attach to the minutes.

b) ROADS

It was noted that a very good rapport with the road authority had been established. There is no need for a roads' correspondent at the present time as there is no further work scheduled for the rest of this financial year. Martin to contact Stuart Ingles about blocked culverts and winter maintenance.

c) TCC BOUNDARY

Martin updated new members on the proposal to extend the TCC boundary and it was agreed to ratify the previous decision to proceed. It was agreed to request a better larger scale map.

d) STIRLING COUNCIL GRANT

£840 of the £1000 awarded by Stirling Council last year is still available to be spent for the benefit of the community. It was agreed to look at possible projects in the new year. Noted that the energy efficient light bulbs will be distributed through TDWA at Christmas.

e) COMMUNITY WEBSITE

Duncan reported on the work of the steering group. The balance of £350 of the TAN grant is available to help meet up start up costs.

f) COMMUNITY POLICING

Martin will continue to liaise regularly with PC Hannah.

g) POST BUS

There was still no response from David Brown at Stirling Council to enquiries re their proposals for a demand responsive service. Duncan to make contact and emphasise the urgent need to progress. Report to the December TCC meeting.

h) TROSSACHS AREA NETWORK AND PLAN

Martin to supply background information to new members. Agreed to decide on any ongoing representation on the TAN at a future TCC meeting. Copies of the draft TAN area plan had been circulated to previous community council members and comments sent to TAN prior to November 3.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a) ADDRESS LIST

Lesley to update and circulate.

b) FORESTRY COMMISSION

Agreed to invite John Hair to make presentation at the Environmental Day.

10) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 14 December.