

Minutes of the Community Council meeting held in Aberfoyle Memorial Hall on 5th July 2018, at 8.00pm, following AGM.

- 1. Apologies:** Toto McLellan
- 2. Sederunt:** S Stephen, R Dingwall, T Gerahty, J Quinn, M Colquhoun, C Smith, G McEwan, F McEwan, A Goulancourt, M Flynn, SC; Councillor J Macdonald; D Brown, SC transport; J Hair, FC; PC C. McKerracher, 5 members of the public,
- 3. Minutes:** Proposed C S mith; Seconded J Quinn.
- 4. Matters arising:** David Brown, transport co-ordinator with Stirling Council, gave an update and summary of the results of their recent public consultations on local bus routes. Main complaint received was about the additional trip via Cambusbarron on the journey between Aberfoyle and Stirling. F V College and Community hospital links were non-existent. Problems have been found with delays at Gillies Hill. Have to decide whether to retain the present situation or amend the journey. Proposal could be to go from Aberfoyle to Stirling to Cambusbarron via the colleges and Community Hospital. Two more drop-ins will be held, at Aberfoyle and Cambusbarron, possibly 17th/18th July, to get submissions in to Traffic Commissioner by Sept. Info will be sent to Ros for circulation to public. DRT issues are still being reviewed, particularly with a view to changes in pre-booking previous day.
- 5. Feral Goats: John Hair FC:** SNH, NP and FC were asked to consider the current problems along the B829 and within Forest Hills grounds caused by the goats which are in that area, and to provide advice as to how to reduce the impact they are having. John stressed that they currently have only a draft plan, but culling was preferred option, working with landowners. Goats near young plants and sensitive areas are generally culled to manage their numbers. FE can only work on their own land. They don't have actual numbers but aim to cull 50% of what they see. Trans-locating was mentioned since a park in Galloway has said it could take up to 20 animals. There is also a reserve at Comrie which might take some. Moving them is not easy; sedation is needed. Blair Drummond Safari Park might be able to offer advice on this. Costs and who pays them are unknown factors. Believed that Forest Hills is not willing to pay, but landowners will probably be responsible for their own costs. Fergus Wood pointed out that they are not usually found this low down and believes that they have probably escaped from Drumlean Estate. Colin stressed the dangers to and from traffic and again asked for signage warning drivers of the goats' presence. Michelle has already raised this with Traffic management, but will try again. John Hair will contact Galloway and Comrie re removal, which was the preferred option. He felt that FE might contribute and hoped that the other agencies involved would do likewise. Speed is important. RSPB should also be feeding in to the discussion, though it was stressed that the goats at Inversnaid are iconic and are not part of these discussions and must be left

untouched. **All agencies to report back through Trevor asap please.** Stuart also raised the question of notice given to locals by FC in areas where shooting is taking place. John promised to improve this contact. The two of them will follow through on the policy.

6. **Kinlochard Vision Plan:** Joyce confirmed the group have now received information of postcodes which comprise Kinlochard area. They now have drafts out for review, aiming to ensure that all areas of Kinlochard are represented. Flier is on the way, hopefully for a meeting by end July. A leaflet is planned for August, aim being to establish views of the whole community on sustainable development. Jamie explained the group are working through 3 processes using a Place Funder Tool. Survey: gives information on how residents feel about their area; Community Chartering Network; mainly used in response to one major development; Community Life Plan: trying to build a picture of where you live, common understanding to inform planning. How will this all fit with Community Action Plan? Trevor said the Strategic Planning Group is happy to meet with and help Kinlochard. He feels that it will be good to know the demographics of Kinlochard. Will it look at the economy? Colin, would want this process to dovetail with NP,s Local Development Plan. Michelle clarified the process of governance between the group, the Community Council and the Strategic Planning Group.

7. **Treasurers Report:** since the last meeting we have received an invoice for £20 from Scotways. Stuart also pointed out that we need invoices from Green Routes from '17/'18 and '18/19 to pay for the planters.

8. **Planning:**

Notifications:

Loch Arklet Inversnaid Stirling: 2018/0179/NST. Erection of one additional pole in 11Kv overhead Line.

Land north of Corrie Farm, Gartmore: 2018/0182/NOT. Construction of 650m Forestry Track.

Land South and North West Of Queen Elizabeth Forest Park: 2018/0160/NOT. Construction of 2 new access tracks.

Planning Applications:

None

Appeals:

None

Approvals:

Land At Tom Guail South Of Loch Dhu House Kinlochard: 2018/0033/DET. Erection of a 20m high lattice mast and associated equipment

16 Manse Road Aberfoyle Stirling: 2018/0107/DET. Change of use of vacant land to garden curtilage

Inversnaid Bunkhouse Aberfoyle: 2018/0122/DET. Erection of shower block (retrospective)

9. **Correspondence:**

- **Stirling Council - Play in the Park schedule. Aberfoyle play park Aug. from 11- 2**
- **Scottish Water: guidance on sensible use during current drought.**
- **Core paths plans**

10. **Stirling Council Issues:**

- **Query raised as to whether Council is responsible for upkeep of the graveyard including headstones or is it just grass cutting? Michelle to check.**

- Inversnaid graveyard needs the fence renewed.
- Flood scheme plans: £539,000 is to be used on the design phase. £1.45m has already been spent.

11. Reports:

Police: circulated.

Councillor Macdonald - Nursery has requested an extension of traffic control measures in the village. Several similar issues raised need to be discussed with traffic management.

The Broadband project group has been disbanded, much to the dismay of members. Queried as to whether this was a political decision. What happens now to all the work that has gone into the project? So far, Digital Scotland have authorised BT Openreach to install a cabinet in Kinlochard.

Kinlochard has put in for access funding and work has started on the cabinet so what will happen now? Michelle can feed back the community viewpoint - funding application is in, BT and Digital Scotland have agreed the work, so does the end of the committee kill it?

12. A O C B:

Strathard Strategic Partnership Meeting - SEPA have been told that residents of Strathard no longer want the flood plan to proceed. Trevor was present and responded saying that we do still want it to go ahead. However rumours amongst official bodies persisted that it was not wanted.

Landowners are not hearing anything about proposals, and the meeting agreed that we need more feedback on progress, but definitely DO want a plan. Would there be anything available to display in TIC, which would keep us up-to-date?

Next Meeting: Thursday 2nd August, Kinlochard Hall.