

Kirriemuir Landward West Community Council

Minutes of the Kirriemuir Landward West Community Council Meeting held in Kilry Church on Thursday, 25th August 2011 at 7.30pm

Present:

Roger Clegg, Chairman, Kilry
Sheila Beckett, Secretary, Lintrathen
Gillian Beckett, Balintore
Liz Hamilton, Ruthven

Geoff Hobson, Kingoldrum
Dave Koller, Kilry
Cllr Alison Andrews

Visitors: PC Alan Bell, Malcolm Connor, Lee Haxton, Brenda Lawrence, Dann Hall

1.0 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Fi Bird, David Robinson, Sue Smith, Cllr Gaul and Cllr Mackintosh.

The Chairman advised that Lindsay Downie had resigned due to family commitments and expressed the Community Council's gratitude for all the work he has done.

The Chairman also announced that Community Councillor Ann Hutcheson had sadly died and voiced the sentiments of Kirriemuir Community Council Landward West that she will be greatly missed.

Kirriemuir Landward West Community Council would now like to increase the representation for Lintrathen and Kingoldrum as well as Westmuir.

2.0 Approval of Minutes of Meetings held on 20th July 2011

The Minutes were approved and Roger Clegg (RC) signed them.

3.0 Matters arising from Minutes of Meetings on 26th May and 20th July 2011

There were no matters arising.

4.0 Community Police Report

PC Alan Bell gave his report. There is a new senior officer in Forfar and an emphasis is being made on high profile policing. PC Bell urged residents who had been subject to bogus calls to check on elderly neighbours who may also have been targeted. Speeding in Airrie and Westmuir was being problematic and would be targeted.

5.0 Finance

The balance at the end of April 2011 was £2,162.25.

6.0 Planning

6.1 River Isla Hydro Electric - The planning application had not yet been made and no new information was available. The applicants had stated that there would be a further exhibition held in Kilry before submission of the planning application. Roger Clegg (RC) had heard that some residents down river from the outtake were very unhappy about the proposal.

6.2 Bamff Wind Farm - No more information was available. Scottish Power had said at an exhibition at Kilry Hall that a second exhibition would be held. RC will ask for more information.

6.3 Carrach Wind Farm - The application was with Angus Council but no determination date had yet been set. The survey results were being collated by Sue Smith. Following the meeting on 20th July the Community Council had lodged an objection. A community fund meeting had been chaired by Mark Ruskell in Kirriemuir on 3rd August. The meeting had been a difficult one with some participants wishing to register their objection to the proposed development rather than discuss the community fund. Attendees had been asked to register their interest in being part of a smaller steering group. Sheila Beckett said she thought it was a case of putting the cart before the horse because determination had not yet taken place. RC said that no funds would be received for at least a full year after completion of the development but he felt it was important that the Community Council be represented. Kirriemuir Community Council would be holding a meeting at Fairlie House, Kirriemuir at 7.00 pm on 31st August to discuss the wind farm application.

6.4 Other Planning Matters

Geoff Hobson advised that the developers of the new houses in Kingoldrum had indicated that they would like to build 8 flats rather than the remaining 3 houses for which planning permission had been granted. He said that these would be very close to the burn and that he thought flats in Kingoldrum would be out of character. Only 12 parking spaces were being planned and he thought that this would create a parking problem on the main road. The only bus service in Kingoldrum was on a Tuesday and a Wednesday to Kirriemuir departing at 10 am and returning at 1 pm so cars would be a necessity. None of the 3 houses completed so far had been sold.

7.0 Correspondence

Leaflets regarding the Local Community Plan had been received and Lee Haxton (LH) spoke about it. The projects detailed in the leaflet would be considered in Angus Council's budget setting exercise for 2012/13. The Plan will be reviewed in 2013 and a new one prepared. Apart from the mountain bike trail proposal for Glenisla no rural projects were being considered. LH drew attention to the joint venture between the Big Lottery Fund and Community Spaces Scotland with £100,000 available for projects in areas regarded as deprived. He said that while Glen Prosen and Glen Clova were regarded as deprived, Glenisla was not!

8.0 Members' Items

There were no members' items.

9.0 AOB

There was no other business.

10.0 Date of next meetings:

Thursday 24th November 2011
Thursday 23rd February 2012
Thursday 31st May 2012
Thursday 30th August 2012

All meetings will be held at 7.30 pm in Kilry Hall.