

## **Glenfarg Community Council**

### **Minutes of meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2013**

#### **Present**

CCllrs MacKenzie (Chair), Watson (Secy), Vaughan (Treasurer), Armstrong, Arnold, Johnston, Macpherson and Ponton

#### **By Invitation**

Cllrs Giacopazzi & Cuthbert

There were 3 members of the public present.

#### **Apologies**

Cllr Robertson, PC Pentley

### **Minutes of last meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March**

Proposed by CClr Johnston and seconded by CClr Ponton

#### **Matters arising**

1 Church Brae/ Duncrievie Road junction – Scottish Water have responded that their pipes are intact. Meeting on site with P&KC and Scottish Water to be arranged.

2 Avenue Tree report – neighbouring residents happy with report and landowner addressing issues. Communication with Fordel to be made as flooding in area appears to be related to run off from Fordel property.

3 Reduction of ground maintenance by P&KC – P&KC reviewing comments and responses. Final decisions will be advised to communities.

4 PKC Gritting and Snow Clearing Review : CClr Arnold sent a reply on behalf of Glenfarg CC requesting the grit bins be replenished promptly after heavy snow as, despite many requests from CCllrs and residents, many bins were empty when the community was hit by a 2nd heavy snow fall in March. Cllr Giacopazzi said he would raise matter with the appropriate section. Cllr Giacopazzi asked to be kept informed if grit bins required to be filled.

5 Duncrievie 30mph – roundels expected in near future

6 Ladeside/Main St parking at junction – Cllr Cuthbert to pursue possible white lines

7 Overfilled Bins at hotel – Litter caused by crows accessing insecure bags of food and general waste. Cllr Giacopazzi to pursue issue.

8 Hillton footpath access restrictions – CClr Arnold is awaiting meeting with George Lawrie (TRACKS) (messages left) and the land owner to discuss obstructions and maintenance.

9 Neighbourhood Watch signs being erected throughout village. GCC to promote requirement for residents to register with scheme.

10 A further 8 dog waste signs are also being erected.

#### **Police Report**

Police officer not present. Formation of single force, Police Scotland, reported and reminder of non emergency phone number 101.

#### **Planning**

3 applications since last meeting

Meteorological Mast at Templehill, extension to Woodside (approved) and 2 turbines for Scottish Water (no objections to any application)

### **Glenfarg & Duncricvie in Bloom project**

GDIB are proposing a project which would see the south verge wall restored, the immediate area behind the wall cleared of self seeded vegetation, the verge reduced to former levels and permanent planting. There are no plans to remove any of the vegetation motorway side of wooden fence. This project is in early stages of viability assessment.

### **Lomond Hotel**

Several communications have been made with developer David Craigie, who has kept the CC informed of his plans without being able to report any substantial developments so far. Members of GCC expressed grave concerns that such was the state of the building now that it was believed there is now an imminent risk of damage and fatalities to neighbouring properties and people therein. Cllr Giacomazzi is to pursue.

### **Post Office Service**

Over the past weeks and months the mobile Post Office service in Glenfarg has been extremely poor, with failure to appear for full week at a time, failure to provide all services due to computer issues. Secretary is to pursue with Post Office and would ask that all reports of service failures be copied to her.

### **Correspondence**

All correspondence received and sent copied to all CClrs.

### **AOCB**

#### **Community Woodland**

Robert Morton reported that the Scouts had been refused permission by AJ Stephens to carry out a supervised environmental activity in the community woodland. This refusal was allegedly on insurance grounds. As a report was also received that the Fete organisers had been refused permission for sky divers to land in AJ Stephens field it was agreed that GCC communicate with AJ Stephens as Scouts, Fete and sky divers are all covered by their own insurance.

#### **Binn Farm Wind Farm**

Ongoing – CClrs Arnold and Macpherson attended Liaison Meeting on 15 April. Number of turbines may be reduced to 3 or 4. The planning application is due to go to PKC in August. The possibility of putting up a separate community owned turbine is being investigated.

#### **Emergency Plan**

Cllr Arnold raised the need for Glenfarg to have an Emergency Plan to ensure the community is prepared for prolonged power cuts, a major accident, loss of water supply etc. After discussion Cllr Arnold was asked to investigate this matter further.

#### **Micro grant Fund**

Since last meeting an application for Neighbourhood Watch signs has been met from Newsletter fund and an award of £70 made for shed roof repair materials to Baby & Toddlers group.

**Meeting closed at 9.15pm**