

GLENFARG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

Monday 8th January 2018
Glenfarg Village Hall

PRESENT: CCllrs Horsman, Pilmer, Ponton, Taylor, Watson
CCllr Louden joined the meeting later.

Also present - Cllrs Purves, 2 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES: Cllrs Barnacle and Robertson, Helen McLeish

It was reported that the Community Council had received the resignation of CCllr Dave Arnold. Dave had been thanked for all his good work and PKC had been informed. CCllr Pilmer now has the paperwork for the Emergency Plan and will act as the contact person until a new co-ordinator is appointed.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.

3. ACTION POINT UPDATES:

An update on action points from the previous meeting were reported as follows –

Smithy Cottage: The property has now been boarded up.

Discharged

Rescue Pole: Rescue pole and throw line are now in place.

Discharged

VAS signs: No installation has yet taken place although we believe Glenfarg work is to be carried out in the first phase.

Ongoing

Telephone Box Greenbank Road: CCllr Horsman reported that the form requesting the adoption of the telephone box had been sent to BT.

Ongoing

Local Development Plan meeting had been attended by CCllr Taylor

Faulty street lighting has been repaired.

Duncrievie skip no action

Grapevine email service CCllr Watson reported that Joyce Taylor has offered to take on the role of editor. The handover from Mark to Joyce was due to take place next week.

4. MATTERS ARISING (not covered on the Agenda)

There were no other matters arising.

5. ARNGASK CEMETERY

CCllr Watson had attended a meeting with Mark Hall (Perth Museum), Simon Montgomerie (Historic Scotland) and Karen Mc Gregor (Arngask Cemetery)

Preservation Group) to consider the preservation of the medieval statue of Lady Margaret and other items in the cemetery.

The museum is not in a position to take the medieval statue as it is short of storage space and has no funds available for its preservation. Mark would prefer to see the statue remain on site.

Simon Montgomerie thought that funding applications were likely to be more successful for a wider project, not just the statue. We could consider a project including the statue, the watch house, the bellcote and the table stones as all seem to be of some importance. Simon also explained that funding decisions had recently moved away from simple Heritage to looking for community importance.

The CC had made several attempts, through the newsletter and its own discussions, to interest the local community in the future of these artifacts. It was decided to make a last attempt to gauge support for this preservation work, to guide a decision on the CC's future support of this project. An article will be written for the newsletter, with a summary put out on social media (Grapevine). *CCllrs Louden and Watson*

6. SCHOOL LIASON

CCllr Horsman reported that, following the demolition of the hut, the new arrangements seem to be working appropriately. PKC had promised a review of the situation before Easter. It is believed that the school is now near capacity and it was agreed to monitor this.

7. PLANNING REPORT

CCllr Pilmer reported as follows –

Applications

Part change of use from dwellinghouse (class 9) to day nursery (class 10)

2 Greenbank Crescent, Glenfarg Perth PH2 9NS

Ref. No: 17/02258/FLL. No GCC objection.

Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse including raising the ridge height

Glendale, Duncricvie, Glenfarg Perth PH2 9PD

Ref. No: 17/02241/FLL. No GCC objection.

Decisions

Extensions to dwellinghouse

The Bungalow, Duncricvie, Glenfarg Perth PH2 9PD

Ref. No: 17/01999/FLL. Approved.

Installation of 2no. air source heat pumps (in retrospect)

Culmore, Church Brae, Glenfarg PH2 9NL

Ref. No: 17/01539/FLL. Approved.

Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse, and erection of a fence

31 Cuthill Towers, Glenfarg, Kinross KY13 9SE

Ref. No: 17/01669/FLL. Approved.

CCllr Pilmer also reported that the existing Green space and Whitespace areas within the Glenfarg boundary were checked with Perth & Kinross Council in relation to the proposed new Local Development Plan and the status quo remains - no changes.

8. POLICE REPORT

No police were in attendance and no report had been received. CClr Pilmer had circulated the following report –

The weekly Commander's Bulletin highlighted the need to keep vehicles secure and that items inside that may appeal to thieves should be covered up or removed. This follows an incident in Greenbank Crescent between the 27th and 28TH of December 2017.

Police Scotland have launched a Youth Volunteers programme whereby youths can join the organisation. When working in their communities the Youth Volunteers get involved in everything they can; for example at gala vents they could be supporting stewards, helping the elderly, giving out public safety information, lost child wristbands, all whilst supporting local policing priorities.

The PSYV are also involved with peer to peer and intergenerational education programmes, delivering inputs to their peers, the public and to the police on important themes like No Knives Better Lives, internet safety and other inputs relevant to local policing. View the web site as listed here for further information.

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/recruitment/police-scotland-youth-volunteers>

Police Scotland in Tayside stated that they expect that, over the coming year, you will get to know our local volunteers out and about in Perthshire and see the excellent work that they do.

It was noted that the Community Police had not attended a CC meeting for some time. CClr Pilmer had emailed our concern about this but it was decided that a formal letter was now required.

CCllr Pilmer

9. TREASURER'S REPORT:

CCllr Horsman had compiled the Treasurer's Report as follows.

1. GCC – BALANCE ON ACCOUNT £400.07

Expenditures: Village Hall - £16 CClr Arnold Expenses - £14.96

2. GCC NEWSLETTER ACCOUNT – BALANCE £ 11,527.20

This balance is made up as follows :

| | Newsletter | Microgrant | Nursing Fund |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | | £ | £ |
| At 6 th November 2017 | 7,064.38 | 810.32 | 4,011.00 |
| Income | 161.50 | Nil | Nil |
| Expenditures/payments | 270.00 | 250.00 | Nil |
| | <u>6,955.88</u> | <u>560.32</u> | <u>4,011.00</u> |

Income/Expenditures since last meeting:

Newsletter:

Income – Newsletter shop tin £161.50

Expenditures – Newsletter printing £195 Defib Battery £75

Microgrant:

Income – Nil

Expenditures – GDIB £250.00

3. SCHOOL FUND £341

No change

TOTAL FUNDS HELD £12,268 at 8th January 2018

CCllr Watson requested £100 as prize money for the Quiz in this December's newsletter. This was approved, but commercial sponsorship will be sought next year.

10. AOCB:

Drawings of Glenfarg by Jim Douglas. In the past, the CC had sold notelets of these and it was suggested that we could do something similar. The printer still had the plates. It was thought that notelets were not used very often but we could consider something like postcards or cards. Prices to be investigated. *CCllr Ponton*

Ice on Roads and Footpaths The lack of gritting was discussed. Cllr Purves explained that, with less resources, priorities had to be set and we would be receiving gritting appropriate to our class of streets (Cat C). Some residents had already contacted PKC to complain, but Cllr Purves suggested that we express our concerns using the PKC Budget Consultation online. *CCllr Taylor*
It was noted that the village gritter, stored in the GDIB shed, had been used.

Surface Water It was noted that there were several areas where surface water was appearing – the recycling centre by the school, gardens in Greenbank Crescent, Marindin Park - possibly the result of springs or broken field drains. Surface water affecting council properties should be reported to the council. TRACKS had attempted to solve the problem in the Avenue.

Wall on Main Street (north) It was noted that repairs to this wall had been ongoing for some time and the pavement was partly blocked. To be investigated. *CCllr Ponton*

The next meeting of the Community Council will be held on 5th March