

Carnoustie Community Council



30th August 2021 Carnoustie Community Council

Attending: A Rhind (Chair), E Oswald, P Manley, A Laing, C Berg, L Marr, J Roberts, M Forbes, D A Rorie (Minutes). Angus councillors B Boyd, M McDonald, and D Cheape. Plus five members of the public. The chairman welcomed Jenni Paterson as a new co-opted member of the community council with unanimous approval.

Apologies: D Ritchie, P Lockhart, A Murray, G Farmer and N Ross.

Minute of previous meeting: The minute of the July 26th meeting was noted and accepted as a true and accurate account of proceedings.

Angus councillors: Council business has continued over the summer but nothing dramatic has been happening in Forfar. The Men's Shed has been granted a 25 year lease of the Panmure Centre with an appraisal after 3 years to assess progress with community involvement and financial viability.

Finance: The report, previously circulated, showed that at the end of August we had a bank balance of £5,790 with some £2000 earmarked for Christmas activity, about £1700 allocated to Covid relief with a balance for day to day expenses of just over £2000. The financial report was accepted.

Planning: There have been 12 planning applications to AC since our last meeting. Permission has been given for 57 houses in 2 phases at Greenlaw Farm Barry. None of the applications was considered contentious or requiring comment from us.

East Haven/SSE/Seagreen: East Haven Together has been in consultation with Lunan Bay Community Partnership and representatives of some other small communities discussing the impact of tourism on the environment and small communities with a view to possible changes in Scotland's Outdoor Access Code. When we can fix a suitable date we need to hold a meeting of the CBF subcommittee.

Kirkwood Panbride: A discussion took place on this planning application. No councillor was in support of approving it, several were unequivocally against it and some had major reservations but were more neutral in their opinion. The conclusion was that given all the objections we could not support the application. AC was to be notified accordingly.

Town services: The town and golf course looked good for the AIG Women's Open, the good weather brought some 30,000 spectators to the links and the area benefited by approximately £6 million. We share the Dunhill tournament in late September and early October with the Old Course and Kingsbarns. All this favourable publicity is good for the golf courses and the town. Judging has taken place at the War Memorial in the Legion best garden competition. We usually do well in that and thanks must go to AC garden staff and local volunteers for such a splendid display. We are informed the children's play park and paddling pool are now fully operational, spare parts having arrived and the required work has been done. The Dalhousie Hotel, long-closed and a bit of an eyesore on the High St, has been sold. We look forward to an improvement in its appearance. We note without further comment the former owner of this establishment is due in court next February to answer drug allegations.

Butterfly: LM reported work was progressing and the construction should be unveiled in late September or early October. Funding for the installation has been procured.

Police: No report.

Christmas/Bunting: DAR reported the Christmas subcommittee had met and preparations were in hand for putting up the festive lights and having the tree at the war memorial as usual. AC was informed of some deficiencies with the street lights months ago and we will need these rectified promptly as they will interfere with our festive lighting. We would like to have some form of Christmas event if possible and are exploring the possibility of using the Kinloch site rather than blocking off the High St. It is intended that the bunting should stay up until after the Dunhill competition.

Correspondence: Nil.

AOCB: CB brought us up to date with events in Muirdrum and criticised the road markings recently put down at the Forfar Rd junction. The paint is fading and safety is no better. NR is seeing to arrangements for Citizen of the Year and the Young Citizen. DAR, LM and PL attended a meeting called by the Men's Shed to discuss their being granted a lease of the Panmure Centre. A steering committee was appointed to keep matters moving forward and it was felt the CC should be involved. LM agreed to serve on the committee.

DONM: We meet next at 7pm in the Legion on Monday 27th September.