

KIRRIEMUIR LANDWARD WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of Meeting, Thursday 26th May 2022
in Kingoldrum Hall at 7:30pm**

Present: Sue Smith (Chairman), Geoff Hobson (Kingoldrum), Sally Colville(Glenisla), Alison Bannerman (Ruthven), Dave Koller (Kilry), Helen Humphreys (Westmuir), Cllr Ronnie Proctor, Cllr George Meechan, Cllr Julie Bell.

1. **Welcome:** SS welcomed Councillor Meechan to the meeting and congratulated Councillors Proctor and Bell on their re-election

Apologies: David Robinson (Airlie), Meg Mearns (Glenisla), Roger Clegg, Liz Hamilton

2. **Minutes of Meeting on 3rd March 2022.** Approved

3. **Matters arising from previous meeting**

SSEN – SS had a very productive and useful Zoom meeting with Sam O’Conner. SSEN accepted that the events surrounding Storm Arwen and those which had highlighted weaknesses in SSEN’s preparedness and communication channels. Sam has offered to come along to the next Community Council meeting to discuss issues raised and answer questions Scottish Water and to participate in a resilience event in the Autumn. It was agreed that SS would invite Sam to the August CC meeting and thereafter organise a resilience event in concert with SSEN – GH issues raised at the last meeting were dealt with.

Ruthven Falls – Following concerns raised at the last meeting Cllr RP sent a notice to the planning department to ensure the planning approval was being adhered to and the development was used purely for holiday lets and not permanent homes. SS had also forwarded email correspondence to Angus outlining local concerns, supplied by AB

Road Maintenance and Snow Clearance – SS had asked for suggestions for positioning of grit bin. It had been noted that there was ongoing work to the roads. HH has organised a meeting in Westmuir Hall in order to discuss grit bin placement.

Financial Report – Bank of Scotland mandates will be completed by the next meeting. Accounts have been circulated. A payment for £700 has been received from the Highland and Island Support and then outstanding loan to KLWCGS has been repaid in full to KLWCC in the sum of \$1435. Balance at 11th April 2022 was £5183.83.

Police Report – Dawn McGaughay is due to retire but there is no note yet of her successor. Cllr JB said that as soon as a replacement is confirmed a note will be sent to the Community Council and it is hoped that the replacement will visit Community Council.

Correspondence – Only correspondence that SS has received is regarding the Kinnordy Estate plans. Mixed reactions, so SS will collate responses and send out.

Peathaugh Woods Creation Consultation – MM and DR had sent in their comments to the Community Council. It was suggested that the two of them put together a response to send to the developer. SS will contact Fred Conacher, Angus Council Tree Officer to ask for his observations and comments

Timber Lorries – SS asked what can be done regarding the timber lorries that drive dangerously. They drive too fast and are not cyclist aware. Cllr JB said that it was a Police issue if it was felt it was a dangerous driving. If possible to get the name of firm and /or registration number would be useful. DK confirmed there were similar concerns on Kilry Hill road. HH a similar issue at Westmuir, Craig Hudson was the suggested contact.

Facebook – Is now up and running after a lengthy process and Angus Council have been a huge help in the setting up process. SS will send a link to everyone.

Angus local Development Plan – no update as yet but there will be consultation in due course. SS had contacted Kate McKay at Angus Council and had circulated to Members the correspondence received.

Members items – HH - Westmuir. The hall held a Heart Start training event led by Helen Brady, they also do training events for Schools. Date for diary meeting in Westmuir Hall on 26th June to promote community councils. Helen retires this year so is hoping it will encourage a replacement to come forward.

- AB – Ruthven – A bus shelter was blown away into a field on the Kirriemuir to Alyth road and it would be useful to get it put back again. Cllr RP will look into it.
- SC Glenisla – Glenmarkie Fibre Broadband, ref letter from John Graham-Black. Cllr JB has been in communications with J Graham-Black and investigation is on-going. Planning application at Auchleish – nothing Community Council can do at the present time but if there are more than 5 objections it will go the Planning Committee
- SS – Balintore – Jubilee event at Balintore Castle, possible 400 – 500 visitors, 10:00am – 8:00pm what can be done to ensure safety and correct procedures organiser claims he has put in place. Cllr RP commended SS on all she has done to make sure organiser is aware of the effects the event has on the local community. It is the organisers responsibility nothing more can be done.

AOB – Local community elections, date to be confirmed. Awareness events to promote Community Councils and the work they do.

Lintrathen & Backwater Group set up to help manage the litter and wild camping at Lintrathen Loch and Backwater Reservoir. Roger Clegg is standing down from the group SS asked for volunteer to replace him. SS and SC both offered and will discuss details.

SS reminded the group of the forthcoming CC elections due to be held in the Autumn. Both RC and HH have indicated their intention to stand down and urged Members to identify new candidates to stand

Minutes for this meeting taken by Sally Colville in the absence of Meg Mearns

Date of next meeting: Thursday 25th August 2022 Glenisla Hall, 7:30pm

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