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## **Committee Members**

No	Role	Name	Initials
1	Chair	David McGovern	DMcG
2	Secretary	Susie Newton	SN
3	Treasurer	Alison Binnie	AB
4	Planning	Graeme Gorrie	GG
5	Committee Member	David Morrison	DM
6	Committee Member	Rebecca Laing	RL
7	Committee Member	Charlie Macintyre	CM
8	Committee Member	Gill Noble	GN

## Meeting notes, actions, responsible people, and target dates for completion.

## 1 Welcome and Introduction

DMcG welcomed all to the Monikie and Newbigging Community Council (MNCC).

## **Members, Councillors and Police Present**

MNCC: DMcG/SN/GG/CM/GN

• Councillors: Cllr Boyd/Cllr Cheape/Cllr McDonald

#### Residents

Ten residents were also in attendance.

### Action:

No action required for this area.

## 2 Apologies

MNCC: AB/DM/RLCouncillors: None

Police: Constable Ronnie Irvine

#### **Action:**

No action required for this area.

## 3 Minutes of previous meeting

- Previous meeting notes approved from 23 May 2023 (Approved by GG/CM)
- Updates on minutes found below of further actions.

## Action:

- SN to ensure that all minutes of meeting are approved by DMcG, then issued out to all MNCC/Police/Councillors and a copy to be emailed to Angus Council for publish - Monikie and Newbigging Community Council | Angus Council
- SN to alert via MNCC facebook page when new notes are up on page.

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#### 4 Police

 Constable Ronnie Irvine was absent for meeting and sent apologies in advance, police report was issued to all MNCC/Councillors in advance of meeting.

Recent Crimes/issues in the area were reported to the MNCC for assessment period (21/05/2023 - 17/06/2023).

#### Information

- Neighbourhood Watch Scotland We are still encouraging all residents to sign up to 'Neighbourhood Watch Scotland. This allows residents to be notified via email of local crime trends, guidance, and advice. https://neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk/
- Cold Calling Stickers A leaflet drop of 'no cold calling' door stickers from Trading Standards have taken place in Newbigging. We are arranging a date with the Police Scotland Youth Volunteers to assist with the Monikie leaflet drop.
- Cumount Quarry We have recently been made aware of youths loitering at
  Cunmont Quarry in Newbigging, possibly trying to start machinery. A Social Media
  post has been circulated to advise the public of the dangers of the quarry and all
  local officers have been made aware. Increased patrols will be conducted over the
  coming weeks and summer period to deter this activity.

## Action:

- MNCC would like to invite the Police to talk about the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme at the next meeting and how we can promote this within the local area – T/D 22 August 2023
- SN posted information out on MNCC FB page re the activity at Quarry COMPLETED
- SN has also passed information to local police team re children on site at new housing work across from Sweet Nix Coffee and Cake Shop **COMPLETED**
- The MNCC look forward to a continued and positive relationship with the Police, which will support the Monikie and Newbigging residents/visitors and we thank them for the reports in advance of each meeting.

#### **5** Councillors

All three councillors were present to give an update on the actions from the previous meeting.

## **Scout Hall**

- Two represents were present (Stephen Bain/Lorraine Wakefield) for update on position re discussions of re-location of the Scout Hall which runs out 31 December 2026.
- All 3 Councillors have agreed to push with Council Leads, check any potential funding options/support and guidance as well as any community asset transfer.
- Contact will continue via the Scouts and the Councillors which will be supported by the MNCC when required to keep as an on-going agenda in support.

## **Path in Monikie Park**

 Previous meeting it was raised and passed details over to the Cycling Walking Safer Routes Fund which is in place to promote access to make sites safer, funding is in place for schemes such as this and he was hopeful the committee would consider this.

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 CWSR missed deadline, on-going with Angus Alive, Scottish Government funding, meet criteria of fund – Update at next meeting.

## **Monikie/Crombie Trees**

- Work on felling trees/tidy up of Monikie Park will now resume in Autumn time due to nesting of birds in parks.
- No further action to be taken.

### **Metal Gate**

- Planning Department (Angus Council), speaking with owners, bollard in place beside gate at present.
- Update: Landowner, not minded moving gate before legal advice. One final
  opportunity to resolve, site meeting re-position of gates, more formal may need
  legal advice.

#### **Angus Alive**

- It was previously discussed to invite Angus Alive along to meetings to discuss issues that affect the park.
- Formally invite Kirsty Hunter (Vibrant Communities Angus Alive) August 2023.

## Pitairlie Path to Gamekeepers Cottage

- Ron Watson previously emailed the MNCC to raise concerns re the path and condition in this area, this was discussed/emailed to Cllrs at previous meeting for update.
- MNCC unsure who own the land, to explore more and then update next meeting.

### **Brian Whyte/Email (Monikie Sewer Treatment Plant)**

• This has been reported to Kevin Robertson (Waste) and is being dealt with.



## Iain Richmond/Email (Conditions of Roads)

- lain had contacted previously both the MNCC email and all the Cllr's re the conditions of some of the roads around Monikie. This was received by all and an update with be given at the next meeting.
- This has been reported to Roads Department and all details handed over, no further update was available during meeting.
- MNCC should encourage the community to report issues such as this via the website reporting which can be found via Angus Council website -<a href="https://www.angus.gov.uk/report\_it">https://www.angus.gov.uk/report\_it</a>

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- Scout Hall Councillors to continue with support via email contacts with Scout T/D 22
   August 2023 (ON-GOING ACTION)
- Angus Alive SN invited Kirsty Hunter along to August MNCC meeting, awaiting confirmation if will attend – T/D 22 August 2023
- Pitairlie Path to Gamekeepers Cottage SN to contact Ron Watson re landowner.
- The MNCC look forward to a continued and positive relationship with the Councillors, which will support the Monikie and Newbigging residents/visitors.

## 6. Matters Arising

## 6.1 | Iain and Betty (Community Council Service)

- Tonight, in recognition to our previous Chairperson (Iain Richmond) and Secretary (Betty Winslow) service to the community council, Cllr Boyd, Provost of Angus presented gifts of our appreciation and thanks to both.
- These were beautifully handcrafted by David McGovern (Chairperson) in Gilded Denfind Stone.









 MNCC would like to again thank Iain and Betty for their support to the local community and we wish them all the best for the future, and hopefully they will pop in and see us soon at meetings!

#### 6.2 | Seagreen Application: £5000

- Applications have been received from some community groups/projects, although not all have been received for applications that were issued out.
- MNCC will minute community groups/projects that have received in further minutes with details of the projects/photos etc.
- Seagreen funding must be used within 12 months of the scheme issue, so the MNCC are timebound to get this issued out to groups and utilised in community.

#### **Actions:**

- SN to contact the projects/community groups that have been successful and arrange payment details to be given to AB for payment – T/D 22 August 2023
- A final call for funding applications will be put up and updated at next meeting as above.

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#### 6.3 Newbigging Representative

• One interested party came forward to join the MNCC, unfortunately now they are unable to commit, so we are still looking for a rep from Newbigging.

#### **Actions:**

• SN to put poster back up and see if anyone else comes forward – T/D 22 August 2023

## 6.4 | Social Media Content

- Notice Boards x 2
- MNCC email account
- MNCC facebook page
- Another other related to social media/contact
- Nothing significant to report on SM aspect.

#### **Actions:**

- No further action required.
- SN to provide overview of this and direct any emails to those responsible ON-GOING.
- Facebook: Monikie & Newbigging Community Council 2023
- Email: Monikiecc23@gmail.com

#### 6. 5 | SSEN Resilient Communities Fund 2023

• Funding information available <a href="https://www.ssen.co.uk/about-ssen/our-communities/resilient-communities-fund/">https://www.ssen.co.uk/about-ssen/our-communities/resilient-communities-fund/</a>

#### **Actions:**

• SN to send information to Monikie Memorial Hall – COMPLETED

## 6.6 Police Speed Sign

- DMcG raised previously the MNCC considering buying- a Police Speed Sign that can be used around the village.
- SN explained that they may be able to apply for this with Tayside Contracts Community Fund Application.

## **Actions:**

 SN to contact Police re purchase of sign and costings – discuss at next meeting whether to buy or apply for funding at next TC Community Fund Application – T/D 22 August 2023

## 7 Planning

No valid applications

#### Action:

GG to provide any update at next meeting – T/D 22 August 2023

#### 8 Treasurer

• No report was submitted for this meeting.

## Action:

AB to provide any update at next meeting – T/D 22 August 2023

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#### 9 A.O.C.B.

• Please note for all the issues raised below all 3 Councillors were present, and this was raised after Section 5 before they left the meeting.

## **Byzantium Restaurant**

- Fatin and Atheer (Owners) and Rania (Daughter) attended the meeting to raise concerns re the recent application process opening around Monikie Park for food truck which they were given no previous warning/opportunity.
- They have met recently with Angus Alive however they were unable to answer any of the questions which the Byzantium raised as concerns/queries.
- There seemed to be a bit of confusion with whether the lease was still with Angus Council or if this was now with Angus Alive.
- Councillor Cheape gave some advice to them on who they would need to contact in Angus Council Legal Services and information was also passed over of the Councillors that are on the Angus Alive Board.

## FB Query – Ollie Hamilton (Overhanging Trees)

- Overhanging Trees on Panmure Road need cutting back, especially the tree nearest junction with Granary Wynd. Is this down to homeowner or do the council assist with tree cutting if obstructs the pavement or road?
- Councillors advised if this is within the homeowner land then it's their responsibility
  to cut back/maintain, however if this presents a problem for people/traffic having to
  move around this onto roads etc then this can be reported via the Angus Council
  website <a href="https://www.angus.gov.uk/report\_it">https://www.angus.gov.uk/report\_it</a>

#### Action:

- **Byzantium** The MNCC will write a letter of support for the Byzantium within the part, we have contacted them and asked who they wish we write to **SN awaiting information**.
- Overhanging Trees SN to provide reply to Ollie COMPLETED

## Date of next meeting

- Please note that there is **no meeting** for month of July.
- Tuesday 22 August 2023 @ 7pm (Monikie Memorial Hall)