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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, Police & Visitor Guests

MNCC: DMcG/SN/GG/CM/RL/DM

Councillors: Cllr McDonaldPolice: Sgt Tracy Brown

Angus Alive: Colin Knight, Acting Chief Executive/Senior Manager (Sports & Leisure)

• Angus Council: Alison Gallacher, Manager Procurement & Commissioning

Residents

2 residents attended.

Action:

No action required for this area.

2 Apologies

MNCC: GN/AB

Councillors: Cllr Boyd, Cllr CheapePolice: Constable Ronnie Irvine

Action:

• No action required for this area.

3 | Minutes of previous meeting

- Previous meeting notes approved from 24 October 2023 (Approved RL/GG)
- 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 - <u>Monikie</u> and <u>Newbigging Community Council</u> | <u>Angus Council</u>
- 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, however Sgt Tracy Brown attended in place.

Recent Crimes/issues in the area were reported to the MNCC for assessment period (24/10/2023 - 26/11/2023).

Information

- PC Irvine will be contacting the owner of the road sweeper in Monikie to discuss parking.
- Recorded Crime in the area remains low.
- Police Scotland's Festive Drink Drive Campaign December will see Community
 Police Officers carry out High Visibility Patrols at Licences Premises and Retails
 Outlets. The campaign commences on 1/12/2023 and will continue throughout the
 entire Festive Period.
- 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/
- Increase in bag thefts It was highlighted for all to be vigilant of bags when shopping as they have noted an increase in bag/handbag thefts in retail establishments when shopping. The police can offer small bells that can attached to bags which can help toward alerting to any tampering please contact the MNCC should you wish any and we can arrange via local police community team.
- **No Cold Caller Stickers** These are still available via the MNCC, contact them direct via facebook page or email.

The MNCC advised of the event happening in Monikie Hall at NYE Community Party and asked if they could be vigilant in the area and if possible, some high visibility presence, they were of course welcomed to come in to have some stovies/pies and hot drinks.

Action:

- The MNCC would like to thank the local community police team for all the support/guidance they have offered over the past year to the new committee, thanks for attendance at meetings, we wish them all a safe and happy new year/xmas.
- The MNCC look forward to a continued and positive relationship with the Police into 2024, which will support the Monikie and Newbigging residents/visitors and we thank them for the reports in advance of each meeting.

5 | Councillor's Report

Cllr McDonald was present for meeting.

Storm Babet

- Time been taken up lately by the storm and aftermath and meeting ministers/local community.
- Emergency response plans in place.

Water Run (Denfind Brae)

• See further down for actions (6.5)

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- The MNCC would like to thank the 3 Councillors for all the support/guidance they have offered over the past year to new committee, thanks for attendance at meetings, we wish them all a safe and happy new year/xmas.
- The MNCC look forward to a continued and positive relationship with the Councillors into 2024, which will support the Monikie and Newbigging residents/visitors and we thank them.

6. Matters Arising

6.1 Monikie Park Development Plans

Alison Gallacher – Angus Council

- Levelling up Fund funding stream closed off, so not an option for Monikie Park.
- Nothing gone forward to council in plans.
- Feasibility Study was carried out for educational use, which they called it "Master Plan", as such there was no plan in place and the wording of plan caused confusion.
- 50K Policy & Resources seek approval, elected members must approve funds/future projects.
- 17,000 responses received in study, internal report returned, and suggestions/feedback will be published on council website, expected by end of this week
- It was noted that it was recognised that the parks aid health and wellbeing in activities and surroundings.

Colin Knight - Angus Alive

- Positive response from Angus residents to survey.
- Some tree damaged around the parks; this will be getting moved a.s.a.p.

MNCC Feedback

- Community feedback and meetings should be considered on the best times/location to meet feedback better times to support local community, e.g., reference to meeting in park on a weekday afternoon when most would be at work.
- Booking systems for park activities should be easy and accessible, some cited the difficulty- booking certain activities.
- "Friends of Monikie Forum" previously spoken and we would encourage this to be considered and explored at getting set up.

Actions:

- Agreed that any "future plans", in place/proposals/consultations MNCC will be communicated with and in turn this would be communicated to the residents for consideration and comment – T/D On-Going
- The MNCC would like to thank Angus Alive/Angus Council for all the support/guidance they have offered over the past year to new committee, thanks for attendance at meetings, we wish them all a safe and happy new year/xmas.
- The MNCC look forward to a continued and positive relationship with Angus Alive & Angus Council into 2024, which will support the Monikie and Newbigging residents/visitors.

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6.2 | Seagreen Grant

£5000 grant now allocated.

Approved Applications:

- Monikie Park (Angus Alive) for outdoor activities with schools or education boards (DM/CM)
- Monikie Hall to fund the painting of the hall approved previously.

Final Application

• MNCC – money will be ringfenced for future projects. A form will need to be submitted from MNCC - Community Events (SN write out application).

Actions:

- Payment of £500 to Angus Alive and Monikie Hall T/D AB to make payment / SN chasing bank details.
- Application form to be submitted for MNCC T/D 23 January 2024 SN
- A reminder to be issued to all projects if they can send in photos of the Seagreen funding activities/purchases and this will be communicated via our fb page T/D 23 January 2024
 SN

6.3 Newbigging Representative

- We have had nobody coming forward from Newbigging.
- The opportunity will remain open for any interested party, any interested parties should contact the MNCC direct.

Actions:

No further action required.

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 Water Run (Denfind Brae)

 Discussed with Cllr McDonald as this is a concern especially as the cold weather comes in and this potentially could turn to a sheet of ice and be a danger. This has previously been reported.

Actions:

To discuss this with Angus Council and report back at next meeting – T/D 23 January 2024
 Clir McDonald

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6.6 Scout Hut

- Stephen Bain (Scout Group) re-iterating the need for land in Monikie for relocation
 of the Scout Hut, they really want to push to try and get something central to village
 and want to work in partnership with either Angus Alive / Angus Council for land
 within the park/area.
- It was suggested that there may be land at the water board area Alison Gallacher agreed to check this area out and confirm who owns the land.
- Stephen thanked the MNCC for all the support they had offered in helping the group get into discussions with the right people around Angus Alive and Angus Council.

Actions:

MNCC no further action at present, will review progress at next meeting - T/D 23 January
 2024

6.7 Pop Up Community Hub/Social Events/Bar

• It was raised that there is a lack of social areas now the pubs in area have closed and are no longer there.

Actions:

 MNCC to consider some pop-up events/social events for 2024 and this will be discussed at the first meeting in 2024 - T/D 23 January 2024

6.8 | Monikie and Newbigging Community NYE Party

- Plans are in place for the Community NYE Party which has been helped by funding via the Seagreen.
- SN explained that uptake at the moment was 50% completed of tickets sold, we would encourage all residents to support this NYE.

Actions:

• Advertising and flyers are being placed through doors/in local businesses to promote the event – **ON-GOING DECEMBER 2023**.

6.9 Damaged/Dead Trees (Monikie War Memorial Grounds)

Damaged trees in memorial grounds (Monikie Hall)

Actions:

 Explore more information on who looks after the trees, so we can consider any treatment/replacement if required – T/D A.S.A.P SN

7 Planning

Nothing to report back.

Actions:

GG to provide any update at next meeting – T/D 23 January 2024

8 Treasurer

Report not available for meeting.

Action:

AB to provide any update at next meeting – T/D 23 January 2024

9 A.O.C.B.

Damaged Fence (Pitairlie Brae) - Iain Richmond

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- Iain has reported this on 25 November using the "Report it" on Angus Council website.
- **Update**: Cllr McDonald confirmed in the programme of works but won't be a priority area with all storm work being carried out at moment, however it is reported and will be dealt with.

Location of Speed Cop – Iain Richmond

- Iain raised that the speed cop had been in the same location for a period of time, this has now been moved again and a further 2 locations have been identified.
- Since the MNCC "adopted" the cop he has been in 4 locations already and appears to be helping, we agreed that he needs to be moved around and DMcG will ensure he moves into areas.

Action:

• No further action required.

Date of next meeting

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On behalf of the MNCC we wish all our Monikie and Newbigging residents a Merry Xmas when it comes, and a happy and safe New Year and we look forward to representing you again as we move into 2024.