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GLAMIS & AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Glamis Kinnettes Douglstown Glen Ogilvie Charleston Roundyhill

Minutes of the meeting held on 19th February 2024 in the Masonic Hall in Glamis

Present :

E.Watson(Chair), J.Johnston (Secretary), C. Jackson(Treasurer), C.MacDiarmid, A.McMillan Douglas, M. Smith, E.Walker Munro, Cllr Proctor, and various members of the communities.

Apologies

R.Finlay, Cllr Meechan

Action points

Concerns have been raised about the grass on either side of the road at the entrance to Glamis off the A94 as to how untidy it was and could the estate cut the grass as the council will only cut about a meter width. However apparently this grassy area doesn't belong to the estate so unfortunately there is nothing they can do. It has been suggested that the area could be converted to a wildflower area which may only need cutting once a year. Questions were then raised as to who would do it and how would it be done.

Action pt: E.Walker Munro volunteered to contact the Roads Dept with regards to establishing a wildflower area

With regards to the the flower tubs at the memorial, the chair has agreed to meet with the Gardening group on site where more time can be spent looking into what can be done.

Apparently the name that was suggested should be added to the War Memorial is not a Scot. A member of the public disagreed with the possibility of adding the name as the person was neither a Scot nor serving in a Scottish regiment.

Action pt;E.Walker Munro has agreed to contact N.McLeod with regards to the pilot whose name isn't on the War Memorial

Matters arising from meeting on 15th January

The information leaflet is being revamped and E.Watson has distributed a draft leaflet for councillors to read over and provide feedback if wished.

M.Smith has had a meeting with the Charleston Hall committee with regards to having Community Council meetings twice a year in Charleston. It was suggested that the Community Council hold a meeting in Charleston in April and October.

Action pt: M.Smith to enquire as to the cost of the hall.

After an incident which occurred in the village in October the Community Council requested a meeting with the Chief Executive to explain policies with regards to allocation of housing. A Council officer will be coming to the March meeting to explain policies.

Action pt: E.Walker Munro agreed to contact the housing company

Minutes

Proposed C.Jackson Seconded A.McMillan Douglas

Treasurer's Report

As at 31st January 2024, the Bank Account had a Credit Balance of £8,038,43. The main movements since the previous month-end were:-

A Credit for the Christmas Lights group of £547.40;

A Debit of £800 as a float for the Gardeners' Group.

One payment has been made in February, £38.40 for the Remembrance Day wreath.

Police Report

The subject of Pop Up Policemen was raised again. Apparently the Roads Dept need to carry out an assessment with regards to the positioning of said policemen.

Action pt: Cllr Proctor has agreed to chase up A.Strachan with regards to the assessment.

Apparently there are always scams being reported and it was suggested that if a scam is brought to the attention of the Community Council it should be mentioned in the Council minutes.

Correspondence

The latest What's New in Angus and Voluntary Action Angus have been received. Information has been received about a Trusted Trader scheme.

An email has been received from Rhianon Merrit who is the Community Liaison Manager for SSEN with regards to the proposed pylons. She is unable to attend a public meeting at present but suggested organising a Teams call with the chair.

E. Watson attended a Finance and Planning meeting where it was advised that the decision as to whether or not to freeze the Council Tax would be made soon. It was highlighted that Angus Council have a strained budget,

Planning

There has been no new planning applications pertaining to our area.

With regards to the proposed pylons a community member has been given information with regards to the positioning of pylons and apparently there are 3 proposed pylons quite close to Douglstown and Jericho. What information has been

received seems to be rather hit or miss. People who should be informed aren't necessarily getting the information or perhaps only part of the information.

The proposed pylon positioning and the overhead line will be discussed further at the meeting in March.

Councillors Report

According to Cllr Proctor the flood issue at Jericho has hopefully been rectified and the flooding around the school has been passed on. Apparently the Roads Dept are about 6 months behind with work.

A.O.C.B

A.Brough from Strathmore Estates attended the meeting and spoke about the fly tipping at the layby at the turn off for Hayston. He said the estate will remove the rubbish and monitor the situation.

With regards to the subject of the Strathmore Arms apparently the estate continues to speak to a prospective publican. The plans have had to be revised and are being looked at by the estate and the publican. Unfortunately the place needs to be rewired, replumbed and various other hidden costs but both the Trustees and Lord Strathmore are really keen to get the Strathmore Arms open again. Once the plans are signed off A.Brough will give the Community Council more information.

E.Watson advised the Community Council that the constitution has not been updated since 2020 and requested that this was looked into by all members.

Action pt: Councillors were requested that they read the constitution and make sure it is fit for purpose. Any suggestions for improvement should be brought to the next meeting.

Next meeting will take place on Monday 18th March at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall. Please note there will be a public discussion on housing allocation in the village of Glamis with a council officer in attendance and anyone wishing to attend would be most welcome.

