

GLAMIS & AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Glamis Kinnettles Douglastown Glen Ogilvie Charleston Roundyhill

Minutes of the meeting held on 15th January 2024 in the Masonic Hall in Glamis

Present:

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

Apologies

E.Walker Munro

Action points

According to E.Walker Munro the issue of grass cutting is in hand.

With regards to the footpath on A94 this is an ongoing item as it is not a priority with the council. However the council have agreed to come out and have a look at the problem

Cllr Meechan has looked into whether or not there are restrictions with regards to the flower pots at the War Memorial and the information he has been given is that if the Gardening wish to replace the tubs they are more than welcome to do so. Apparently the Council do not have the funding for the upkeep of the tubs.

The secretary has amended the minutes as requseted and sent the amended minutes to Lyn Halley. However a member of the public suggested that the amended minutes had not been uploaded to the Council website.

Action pt: The secretary to investigate if this is correct

Apparently there are names missing from the War Memorial but this is in hand. Missing names need to be reported to Scottish National War Memorial where they have to be confirmed. Once the names have been confirmed they will be forwarded to Angus Council who will add them to the War Memorial

Matters arising from meeting on 20th November

At the meeting Rae Dick confirmed she was resigning as a Community Councillor which she had already announced. She was thanked for all her work as a Community Councillor. Her resignation has left a space on the Community Council and Mary Smith from Charleston has volunteered to become the 8th member of the Community Council. As per constitution rules M.Smith was proposed and seconded as follows.

Proposed: J.Johnston Seconded: C.Jackson

The Chair then proceeded to give Mary a quick run down on what the Community Council does and how it operates.

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Proposed R.Finlay Seconded: R.Dick

Treasurer's Report

As at 1st January, Bank Balance was £8,338.03

During December we received £1,300 from the windfarm trust for the gardeners' group following upon a successful funding application..

Since 1st January, payments have been made to Robert Finlay [notices boards] £47 and to Teresa Gregor, Charleston [for their Christmas lights switch on] £55.50.

The chair then enquired about where the Annual Audited accounts were displayed. As no one knew where the annual accounts were displayed it was agreed that the chair would ask Angus Council.

Action pt: Chair to enquire from Angus Council where Annual Audited Accounts were displayed.

Police Report

Unfortunately due to the timing of our meeting the Police report is unavailable at present but it will be circulated as soon as the secretary receives the report. There was also no police at the meeting. Apparently Cllr Proctor has taken this up with Tayside Superintendant who informed Cllr Proctor that due to budget cuts there is less police available to attend these sort of meetings but he hopes the police will attend as and when they can.

Correspondence

The latest What's New in Angus and Voluntary ActionAngus have been received.

Planning

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

Councillors Report

Apparently the Roads Dept have been inundated with problems and are working hard to catch up. Concerns were raised with regards to the standard of work done by sub contractors on behalf of the Council. The councillors assured the meeting that the Council checks up on the work done by sub contractors. Councillors were also made aware of concerns with regards to the flooding of the school playground as well as flooding at Castleton Cottages.

Action pt: Councillors Proctor and Meechan are aware of these concerns will look into them.

2 members of the Jericho community raised concerns about flooding at Jericho road end. The flooding can be so bad that residents have real trouble getting in or out of the area.

Action pt: Cllr Proctor agreed to take details of the problem from the attending residents and look into it.

Councillors were also made aware of concerns about the lack of dredging done in surrounding rivers which residents believe contributes to the flooding in the area.

A.O.C.B

C.Jackson had previously volunteered to update the Community Council leaflet due to inaccurate information and changes to personnel. Prior to the meeting a preliminary draft had been sent to all the members. The chair pointed out an error and suggested a number of changes to the format that was under discussion. She suggested that a reference to an elected Angus Councillor be deleted as she did not attend our meetings but those present disagreed with this suggestion. The chair asked R.Finlay to check that the information on the difibrillators was correct as he had been seeriously involved with getting some of the defibrillators put in situ. Apparently the Windfarm Trust are willing to fund production of the information leaflet.

Action pt: A.McMillan Douglas volunteered to check the details of the various groups whose information is on the leaflet and will liaise with R.Finlay

A suggestion was made that in order to make the communities feel more involved a Community Council meeting could be held in Charleston at least once a year. This was agreed.

Action pt: M.Smith volunteered to confer with Charleston Village Hall with regards to which month would be preferred.

E.Watson has volunteered to overhaul the Facebook page for Glamis and Area Community Council as the Old Glamis Facebook page administrators don't really want the minutes put on their page. She has also volunteered to create a new Facebook page which is not affiliated to the Community Council but provide an extention to our communications with our communities.

SSEN are still continuing with their proposed over head line and are soon to be updating landowners with regards to pylon positioning. Concerns were raised as to what constitutes a landowner as most people who own their house will probably have some land around their property. The chair advised that a petition was up and running and commended to all. She added that it was being lead by Steven Kerr who is the Prospective Conservative M.P

Action pt: E.Watson and A.McMillan have volunteered to draw up a letter for sSEN requesting information on when we will get information on the positioning of the pylons and will circulate it to the council members for approval.

A member of the public raised a concern that on the Angus Council website the Glamis and Area Community Council was listed as Glamis Community Council.

Action pt: E.Watson agreed to look into this issue

Next meeting will take place on Monday 19th February 2024 at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall. Anyone wishing to attend will be most welcome.