

# **Strathisla Community Council**

## **Notes of Meeting 6th July 2016**

**Present.** Keith Comrie (Chair), Ian Ross (Secretary), James Mark,

**In Attendance.**

**Apologies.** Innes McPherson, Karen Pryce-Iddon, Priscilla Gordon-Duff, John Gelling, Catherine Sinclair (minutes)

**Previous Minutes.** The minutes were approved by James Mark, seconded by Keith Comrie.

1. **Police Matters.** - No Police in attendance
2. **Guest Speaker.** SSE came and gave a presentation on the Dorenell connection to the Black hillock site. 23km of overhead lines will be installed over the next 2 1/2 years. SSE would like to invite Community Councillors to visit the site at Blackhillock at a date to be confirmed in the future. More information on the connection can be found on the SSE website. ([www.sse.com](http://www.sse.com) or [www.ssepd.co.uk](http://www.ssepd.co.uk))
3. **Treasurer's Report.** Balance is £2644.94 as of June's statement. Expenses have been paid to Karen Pryce-Iddon, minute secretary and the honorarium for Catherine Sinclair.
4. **Youth Issues.** None.
5. **Grange.** No updates
6. **Newmill.**
7. **Rothiemay.** No updates.
8. **Boharm.** A response has been received to comments submitted about flooding issues around site A, it is still zoned for residential development even after local concerns were raised.
9. **Botriphnie.** B9115 is still in poor condition at the east end. The contractor has reinstated where cable was laid and where they had sunk patches of it.  
The Gully Road is still in poor condition as far as Mulben and is still wet.  
A piece of road is being replaced at Lower Towie – would it be possible to fix the bump in the road at the same time or is this broadband work?  
A copy of a letter was received from Stephen Cooper Head of Direct Services MC reference the removal of the Trees at Parkmore Brae, the council have decided to mitigate the risk by improving the quality of the warning signs.  
**ACTION: Priscilla to email Ian Cameron, Roads dept. to enquire**  
Meetings have been held about draining the playpark field, the new play equipment is on hold until a better location is found.  
**ACTION: James will contact Ken Kennedy after next meeting between Drummuir Community Association, Drummuir Estate and The Moray Council.**

**10. Correspondence. Broadband update** – Mulben and Drummair are not on the latest list, but it is possible works are underway. High speed broadband will not reach rural parts of Botriphnie. Satellite is effective but not as fast as high speed broadband.

**Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations** – it was agreed each community association be offered a commemorative rose bush. Plaques to be organised and Priscilla to collect roses if there is interest.

**Community Engagement and Participation** – requesting engagement in Moray's 10 year plan. **ACTION – All to read**

**Woodlands Strategy Consultation** – discussion held on opportunities such as outdoor learning, trim trails etc.

**11. AOCB. Edintore Working Group.** The next meeting is 2<sup>nd</sup> June. Ross Jones from CARES will attend. It was decided not to apply for CARES funding. The constitution of the decision making panel has been set up and it is to include 3 members of the Strathisla Community Council.

**JCC.** No update

**Secretary.** Karen has agreed to carry out the secretary role, but not minutes.

**Ian Ross** was thanked for all the hard work he has done for the Community Council over the last few years and the members wish him well for all his future endeavours.

**Date of next Meeting.** 7th September 2016