

Strathisla Community Council

Minutes of Meeting 6th March 2013

Present: Ian Ross, Fiona Wallace, Megan Wallace-Baldwin, Paul Shelton, Keith Comrie, Jenny Anderson

Apologies : Cllr Cree, Cllr Murdoch, Donna Jamieson, James Mark, Innes MacPherson, Cllr Coull, Matthew Sutherland, Cllr Shepherd

In attendance: Duncan Falconer, P.C. Ralston

Minutes of last meeting, February 2013-amendments noted: Cllr Shepherd sent apologies, Newmill-Glenisla house not Strathisla. Amended minutes approved by Paul, seconded by Keith.

Guest Speaker-Recycling:

Duncan Falconer gave a presentation demonstrating the new recycling bins. Some of our rural areas already have these but rolling out to the rest of Moray on the week commencing the 25th of March. There was a lot of discussion about what can now go in the bins, leaflets will be provided with the bins. Concerns were noted from those who are already using the bins in rural areas- no way of securing lids and easily blown over in high winds.

1. Police Matters:

Members made aware of new non-emergency phone number: **101**

Since February there have been 39 recorded crimes in Keith. 5 were outside the town itself. One was a theft of plant pots, two were Road Traffic Offences and the remainder were miscellaneous. These mostly consisted of traffic offences, vandalisms, public disorder offences and dishonesty crimes. In response to claims of antisocial driving-operation kingdom-was run on 8-9 February 2013 specifically to target vehicles driving in careless/antisocial manner. A number of offenders have been charged and warnings have been issued.

Ian brought up that work involving scaffolding and skips on Mid Street are affecting parking for customers. Also, a regular motorbike causing noise pollution? **Action: P.C. Ralston will investigate.**

2. Treasurer Report.

Nothing to report.

Note to everyone from Jenny- if there are any outstanding receipts, please bring to next meeting.

3. Youth Issues.

Duke of Edinburgh- Megan has enrolled in the Duke of Edinburgh bronze award, she was hoping that being active with SCC will go towards the volunteering part of the award. All present agreed to help support Megan through the award.

4. Planning.

Moray Local Development Plan-letter has been sent.

Clerkseat Planning Application-Grange-Mr Darling sends his thanks to SCC.

Edintore Wind farm – no further correspondence.

Crossroads Garage, Rothiemay - no further info, no decisions heard of. Local members hope to move forward with positive decision to help rural economy. **Action: Jenny hoping to contact Cllr Cree to find out status of planning.**

Hill Of Towie-RES representative coming to speak at next meeting. There is move to extend windfarm...Hill Of Towie II.

5. Newmill.

Glenisla House- concerns that high winds has caused more falling masonry. Reports that security fence has been moved and that local youths have been entering the building. Safety concerns persist. **Action: Cllr Coull still to contact building standards-** Carry Forward.

No new issues

6. Botriphnie.

Water at hall- Cllr Murdoch has contacted MC Roads Dept: Is listed on their work schedule, time scale for approximately end of March

Car parking for village hall- . **Action: James will contact on behalf of DCA.** – Carry Forward.

7. Grange.

Hall- funding for interior refurb being explored-quotes to be obtained.

Quiz night-23rd March. £10, tables of 4.

8. Rothiemay.

Crossroads garage- see planning.

Lossatt meeting-Jenny attended meeting-looking to upgrade the hall and possibly changing rooms for playing field. Funding being investigated.

Land at war memorial- a neighbouring house owner is actively trying to buy the land. He has verbally agreed to donate a small area of land if he is successful for a picnic table and Christmas tree.

9. Boharm.

Hall, Mulben-refurbishment still on-going

Footpath-in front of Mulben houses- **Action: Fiona still to email MC for updated information.**

Moray Local Development Plan-Fiona has forwarded concerns to MC.

Eyesore- still there to date

Action: Fiona still to contact MC re unsafe building

10. Correspondence.

Zurich insurance letter received for insurance cover- all thought MC paid this. **Action: Fiona to contact Tracey Rae.**

11. AOCB.

Advertising campaign- brief discussion about trying to advertise who we are and what we do, trying to get the message across about informal meetings and everyone is welcome. We are keen to set up a website. **Action: Fiona to speak to local person regarding a website. Action: All to bring further ideas to next meeting.**

Advertise in press-**Action: Fiona to find out costs to advertise in Knock New, Northern Scot and Banffie.**

Closure of toilets- voiced concerns that the one toilet being left open is the most run down.

Email received from RES- carry forward to speaker at next meeting. **Action: Fiona to forward email to Keith.**

12. Date of next meeting Wednesday 3rd April 2013