

# **Strathisla Community Council**

## **Minutes of Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> February 2014**

**Present:** Keith Comrie, Ian Ross, Innes MacPherson, James Mark, Priscilla Gordon-Duff, John Gelling, Jacob Gelling, Cllr Gary Coull, Cllr Ron Shepherd

**Apologies-** Jenny Anderson, Cllr Murdoch

**In attendance:** Pc Smith, Jacky Player

**Minutes of last meeting:** Botriphine, should have read, B9115 work has started, not on Gully road. Otherwise agreed as correct. Proposed by Innes, seconded by James.

### **1. Police Matters.**

Since December 2013

43 crimes

Of these only one offence was committed outside Keith, the theft of a tractor at Newmill. The festive season passed with little in the way of reported crime. The police continue to target anti-social driving, in and around the town.

### **2. Treasurer Report.**

With Jenny having been off ill the handover is yet to be completed, however James is arranging with the bank to have new signatories.

**3. Youth Issues.** Our new youth member Jacob was welcomed, and the subject of mobile cinema (Neat Flicks) is again being investigated. **Action Ian**

**4. Planning.** Jacky Player attended our meeting to speak on behalf of the Rothiemay community about the petition being raised to object to the plans of the Forestry Commission to plant over part of Corniehaugh Farm, Jacky produced some sheets of signatures already collected objecting to this going ahead. A lengthy discussion took place about how we could proceed, as the planning permission was granted last year, at the time we submitted an objection. **Action Keith**

Aultmore windfarm – Goes to MC Committee on 25 Feb 2014.

Bodinfiddoch Turbines- Reporter dismissed appeal- Matter now closed.

Macallan Distillery- Pre application received, note of interest only at this stage.

**5. Botriphnie.** Glack of Midthird Road (C class road) really bad potholes. **Action Cllr. MacConnachie.**

Bridge at Towiemore. A large bump has appeared on road, needs investigating! **Action Clr. MacConnachie.**

Isla Way Footpath. Priscilla spoke on the progress being made, committee agreed to support project in principle.

**6. Newmill.** Concern raised by villagers on the timing of closure of B9017 as this is the only access to village during snowstorms.

After asking for the litter bin to be relocated in the square, MC have removed it completely!!

**7. Grange.**

Community association have planned events for community.

**8. Rothiemay.**

No new issues. No Rep present.

**9. Boharm.**

Hall refurbishment now finished

Boat O Brig remains closed causing traffic to use alternative routes.

Proposal from Transport Scotland to put a speed limit of 50 mph on Poppin Brae. No objection.

**10. Correspondence.**

SAC letter on Renewables. Noted

MC planning Procedures – Discussed and noted.

**11. AOCB.**

Official welcome to our new members John and Jacob.

As Jacob is also to be our Webmaster a short discussion was then about what information is still needed for the website.

Laptop computer still giving problems receiving / sending emails, Keith agreed to take home to sort out. **Action Keith**

**12. Date of next meeting** **Wednesday 5th March 2014**