

Adopted Minutes

Stratherrick and Foyers Community Council Public

Meeting Foyers School Tuesday 30th July 2015

1. Members Present

Iain Brown (IBR)	Whitebridge	Sally McGuire (SM)	Foyers
Morag Cameron (MC)	Foyers	Martin Donnelly (MD)	Foyers
Katie Ellam (KE)	Foyers	Catriona Fraser (CF)	Gorthleck

Apologies

Ian Bateman (IB), Liam MacNally (LM)

2. Police Report

The two vacant officer posts have been filled by Ronnie Jones & Ewan Murray, so the station is back to a 3 person compliment assisted by the Sargent based in the Beaully station.

Last month 2 persons were reported for no car insurance and one person for driving whilst disqualified.

AP Police will provide a pack of ~25 or more of information leaflets circulated on the evening.

Arras was pleased to advise he completed the Highland Cross and his team have raised a total of some £2k for charity

3. Adoption of Minutes – June 2015

After 2 tweaks to date of shoot to 11th July and spelling under point 3 they were Proposed by CF, seconded by MD, unanimous

4. Matters Arising

Letter to Fire brigade re facilities at our local station, advised to await result of ongoing consultation before sending ~ end of July

CF phoned the bus company who guaranteed no large coaches will be used for this run unless no other vehicle was available.

Bus company and SSE will communicate re road closures and school runs, please keep us him informed on activities and any issues.

5. Treasurers Report

THC discretionary fund has offered a £500 contribution to the ongoing Foyers Toilet costs, Proposed we accept offer IBR, CF seconded, unanimous.

AP KE agreed to take the point that this offer was to be the final one as THC expectation is for SFCT to take forward a project for the blocks upgrade/replacement

Transport Development Project – It is proposed the THC funds go to a BCC car share scheme which was fully supported by the CC. Proposed by IBR the CC return the SFCT £1,200 for a business plan development, Seconded by CF, unanimous

6. Reports

- Fire, a Wildside lodge was burnt down due to an escape of Gas
- Trust, the Project Coordinator has been selected and taken on who will attend meetings of local groups to introduce themselves and seek ideas for projects...

Land Purchase is still ongoing; Bidwell's are taking their time over things and are looking to reinstate the claw back clause,

- Trust is to provide a pro rata grant support to the Kilchuimen School French trip. Previous constraints were created by Scottish Communities Foundation who are no longer involved with Community benefit
- SSE and Other Developers key condition is an assessment of benefit to the overall community and opportunities that may result.
- Next meeting 8th July
- Completed a review of Grant Conditions
 - o Student Grants for each academic year are available
 - o A person can now make 2 applications per year
- BCC received their award last month and their transport scheme is taking off, AGM is in November, Carers are now working within Dores & Ft Augustus to provide care service
- Jane O'Donovan is talking to experienced people on the best way to set themselves up as a separate care provider business
- CC Sub Groups
 - o Foyers Sports field and paths are ongoing
 - o Foyers community Slipway Project may benefit from working with the Scotland Canals project on the Foyers Pier which after a feasibility study appears to need a lot more money. So investigation into EU funds etc. is ongoing
 - o Nursery Early Years class to be created in each primary school rather than separate nursery provisions.

AP Mda will organise a Foyers Community meeting for late September to establish local views on this proposal

7. Renewables

Corriegarth Community Benefit offer has remained at £2k/mW for the last 6 years, it should be noted that SSE only put £2.5/mW to local funds the other £2.5K going to their regional fund, As such it was agreed that with the Developer agreeing to index link the payments the offer is whilst not market rate so close that the CC Benefit negotiators recommend acceptance of the offer.

Proposed the offer be accepted IBR, Seconded by MD, Unanimous

After discussion where the flexibility afforded by the limited constraints (no religion or anti Wind use) on the funds use was noted. Proposed by IBR the developer be advised that the CC wishes the funds to be paid to and managed by SFCT on its behalf, Seconded CF, Unanimous.

Knockie Hydro (CB) - a waiting response from FCS

Dunmaglass – ongoing

Corriegarth – Turbine deliveries will happen as and when Police Scotland advises they have capacity to do these, these can be expected to continue

until mid-September.

8. Roads

Sockich's bends – Wall coating to be done later in year under traffic lights

Errogie Corner – final drawings to come

Torness Substation – IBR to discuss with SSE request for Caolanour junction formation to be in place before any other roads works, as with Errogie corner no final tarring until all heavy loads are over.

Liaison group will meet again prior to road works starting

Road issues to be passed on to THC;

- Are Loch Tarff crash barriers needed?
- When Caolanour culvert collapse will be repaired?
- Glenlia to Whitebridge fallen trees obscuring view around corner

Planning Matters

Aberchalder wind turbine Screening request

AP IBR to express the CC concern over cumulative impact especially when bearing in mind the amount of large schemes in the area.

9. Correspondence

BCC AGM in November, please attend to show your support for this vital organisation

10. AOCB

KE raised the need for a road sign in lower Foyers to prevent inadvertent use of the circus by caravans etc. **AP MDA to follow up with THC**

Post codes for emergency vehicles issue,

CC Insurance documents to clarify split between Toilet block etc. is needed from Colin at THC **AP KE to follow up with THC**

Farigaig Notice Board need to be repaired **AP unallocated**

New Bus Shelters for Foyers and Gorthleck

AP Mda to follow up with Ivor Souter also the need for one at the Garrogie road

AP IBR to email Mda and Ivor Souter with request for Garrogie one

11. Next Meeting

25th August, 7:30pm, Stratherrick Hall