

AUCHTERTOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES

MONDAY 14/3/2016 @ 19:30

Auchtertool Village Hall

Those Present: Tom Lochhead (Chair), Kevin Carter (Vice Chair), Freda Biddulph (Treasurer), Audrey Duncan (Member), Mark Armitage (Secretary), Cllr Susan Leslie, Miss Bell APS, Member of the public.

Apologies: Cllr Peter George, Cllr George Kay, Community Police Officer Ross Masterton

Minutes of Meeting

1. Welcome and introductions

Tom welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes of previous meeting.

The previous minutes were proposed by KC and seconded by TL

3. Treasurers Report.

FB confirmed a small change this month after costs associated with the Xmas tree have been met. After the recent expenditure, the balance of the account is £1673.14.

4. Community Policing update

Community Police Officer Ross Masterton was unable to attend. There was no new criminal activity reported. In response to ongoing concerns over speeding, plans are in place to set up a speed site in due course.

5. Planning applications and issues

There is only 1 application of potential significance, an EIA screening application for landfill with eventual BIO crop planting on the B9157 - 1.5 Km South of Auchtertool. The Planning reference number is 16/00423/SCR.

6. Village issues

6.1 The dog mess in village continues to be an issue. All residents are encouraged to challenge anyone over this and/or contact police. The school children have also been complaining about this, in particular in the playing fields.

ACTION POINT: Kevin and Adele will continue to highlight through Social Media

ACTION POINT: An approach will be made to the Environmental Officer regarding signage and cleaning

6.2 Speeding/Road Safety in the village.

There is seemingly no appetite in the immediate future to put in 'live' speed indicator signage. The community PC will be setting a speed site in due course. In the interim, we will ask for:

- Additional 20mph signage.
- The appropriate "school children" signage where required.
- Road markings throughout the village to be repainted.

ACTION POINT: Cllrs Leslie to raise issue of extra 20mph signage and the appropriate school signage.

ACTION POINT: MA will raise the issue of a refresh of road markings.

6.3 LITTERING. Farmer has raised concern about the amount of playground litter in his field. This was raised and discussed by the children but most of the rubbish seems to be dumped from other sources rather than the school itself. In general, littering and fly tipping around the approaches to the village is getting out of hand, so all residents should report those littering or fly tipping to the police.

ACTION POINT: Cllr Leslie will ask for the verges to be cleaned.

ACTION POINT: MA will write to Chick McPhee to see if signs can be put up warning people not to tip.

6.4 Village Engagement - We agreed that a separate meeting is required to discuss holding some form of village meeting to engage with the wider community on a number of issues.

Post meeting note: Now set for Wed 23/3 @ 7:30 Maison Carter.

6.5 Village Broadband. The upgrade is still planned for Spring 2016, though. Jonathan Parker Economic Adviser for Broadband Fife cannot share any more information with the Community because of the non-disclosure agreement between Fife Council and BT Open Reach.

6.6 We agreed to look at the feasibility of obtaining a Community Defibrillator, potentially located at the Village Hall.

ACTION POINT: MA will look into this,

7. Future meetings

11th Apr @ 19:30

9th May @ 19:30

13th Jun @ 19:30

Actions Log

Item	Description/Action	Status	Comments
Community Council Admin Budget	MA will apply.	News	
Fly Tipping on Lochgelly Road	MA will write to Chick McPhee	New	
Village Event - Engagement	A separate meeting will be held to discuss possible event to engage with the wider community.	New	All
Community Policy	Clarity being sought over 2 recent acts of unsolved vandalism	open	MA will write to PC Masterton
Floral Enhancement	2016 Budget	pending	Application submitted
Clentrie Turbines	TL will speak directly with Tom Mitchell for an update on progress	open	Peter Mitchell provided an update. We will need to start thinking about how the community benefit is set up and managed. TL to look into potential Beverkae Community Benefit

Council Insurance	MA will contact Bill Welsh regarding insurance options covering loss of Acc assets & PL insurance.	pending	MA will check the renewal is in place for 2016
Old Millennium Bench	Morris Biddulph to repair	pending	Winter project - ongoing
Community Fund Raiser	Ideas are being sought for fund raising events - ALL	pending	Meeting to be held 23/3 to discuss plans
Broadband Speeds	Although the upgrade now looks likely, we still want to establish when	Pending	We will leave this open, but indications currently suggest Spring 2016..
New Community Notice Board	Kenneth Hallet has confirmed that we can fund part of the cost from the locality budget if the Acc make a contribution towards cost.	Pending	TL will look into constructing one himself.
Speed in Village	MA to raise this matter with Cllr Leslie/Kays	Pending	Data now available. Cllrs Leslie and Kay will take the matter up with Ian Smith.
Dog Mess	This is getting more problematic	Pending	AS/Kev to highlight on Facebook Audrey to raise with school also
Park Lights	These are not working	Pending	MA to chase Chick McPhee
APS Playground Litter	Farmer has complained about litter from school	Closed	Raised and discussed with school.

Renewable Energy Planning Applications	Given the difficulty in keeping an oversight on all existing, pending and new applications, we will write to Stuart Wilson to see if this can be made clearer/easier	closed	MA will write to Stuart Wilson/ Alastair Hamilton. No reply from council
Mossmoran/Braefoot	1. TL will write to Exxon exploring additional funding opportunities.	closed	
Project Funding	The Community Settlement Trust	closed	MA will pass the application form to KC for the £55 p.a settlement trust going to the Youth Club
	Community Council Admin Budget	closed	TL will write to Linda Bissett with confirmation of audited accounts being available
Community Policing	Parking Concerns in The Maltings	closed	MA will write to PC Masterton