

# Strathmartine Community Council Meeting

Date 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
Location Strathmartine Primary School  
Apologies Laura Bruce  
Attendees John Young, Cari Gaffney, Gillian Todd, Lorna Riddle, Norma Munnoch, Donna Thain, Graham Robertson, Grant Bruce, Fiona Webster, Cllr Heather Doran, Hong Zhang (Community Officer), Chris Grieve (Police Sergeant)

## Previous Minutes

Agreed and posted.

## Strathmartine Community Resilience Forum – Update

Donna had a meeting with the engineers from Angus Council to discuss the 2019 Dighty survey. They informed her they are looking at a long-term solution for the flooding issues, which will potentially consist of creating pools at three separate strategic locations. 80% of the funding will come from the Scottish Government and 20% from Dundee and Angus councils, although this will probably take some years to raise the funds and complete. The bridge repairs are expected to be completed by the end of May allowing the bridge to be reopened. The resilience team continue to work with various organizations to raise funds in support of efforts to mitigate future flooding.

## Ongoing Parking Issues at the School

Mrs Hood, the headteacher is still waiting for someone from the Council to come and assess the ongoing situation. She has asked if anyone has any complaints or suggestions to pass them on, so she can consolidate and pass them on to the council.

## Traffic Concerns - Pitempton Road

An assessment of the road is being scheduled by Angus Traffic & Transport in conjunction with the police.

## Police update

Police Sergeant Chris Grieve gave an update from the latest Local Community Policing Area Report. He highlighted vehicle crime across rural Angus has risen slightly in recent months. Police are asking residents to ensure they lock their vehicles when unattended. Owners of keyless type vehicles are encouraged to purchase keyless car entry pouches/Faraday pouches. Any suspicious vehicles in the local area should be reported to Police on 999. He also strongly emphasis residents should make all efforts to ensure their properties are adequately secured and not leave valuable items out in the open. Preventative measures, such as lighting and CCTV are also helpful. High visibility patrols will continue by local officers.

## Tealing Substation & Pylon Upgrade / Battery Energy Storage System – Templeton Farm

The Community Council has been highlighting to the Strathmartine residents the plans relating to these proposals and urge people to voice any concerns through the appropriate online groups / links. Concern was raised there maybe future phases to these projects which might have a larger direct impact to the community. If this happens we should pull together and raise concerns as a community.

**Tayside Contracts Community Benefit Fund** is now open for applications. As we are a constituted community group, they could provide a service to our Community Fund. They do the work for you, and the Community Fund picks up the cost up to the maximum of £3,000. Some of the things the fund can support local communities with include:- Carrying out roads/footway improvements and repairs to community facilities such as community hall car parks, or a local pathway digging trenches for rural community broadband schemes Providing food or catering for a community/charity event Provision of signage via our Sign Shop for a range of community needs Provision of Traffic Management for a community event. Deadline 31st May.

Please feedback any suggested areas where you think we could use funds to improve the local community.

**New Glass Recycling Points** - The way household recycling is collected will change in phases as below. Households will get a new blue bin for paper and card, plastic bottles and containers, cans and cartons will go in grey bins, and glass will be accepted at recycling points. There are 23 GRPs currently and we aim to increase this number to 190, but we need your help! Please make your suggestions for recycling points via the [engage platform](#) where there is more information and a very short form. We will site new GRPs in Phase 1 first and then progress to Phase 2 and 3 areas.

- Phase 1 – Arbroath, Carnoustie and Monifieth – June 2024
- Phase 2 – Forfar and Kirriemuir – Autumn 2024
- Phase 3 – Montrose and Brechin – Spring 2025
- Further information about the forthcoming [bin changes](#) can be found on our website.

It was suggested for the Strathmartine area we could position the Glass Recycling point at the old bus stop. Please feedback anywhere you think it would be appropriate to position a GRP, either to the Community Council or through the online links.

**Information Commissioner's Officer** - Each community council has been asked to register to nominate as Data Protection Officer,  
What are your data protection responsibilities?

Check if you have an appropriate legal basis for the processing of personal data. In case you intend to rely on the consent of individuals, ask for their consent before processing their personal data;  
Make sure that individuals' personal data is handled in a secure way;  
Maintain a record of processing operations.

Please feedback if you are interested in taking up the role of Data Protection Officer for the Strathmartine Community Council.

### **Planning Applications**

No major planning applications.

### **Treasurers Report**

Fund balance is £2,911

**Next Meeting** - **27<sup>th</sup> June at 6:00pm**