

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF INVERARITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15 MAY 2024 AT 7.30 PM  
AT INVERARITY KIRK**

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**PRESENT:** Scott Nicoll (Chair); Carole Short (Secretary); Louise Nicoll (Treasurer); Elizabeth Steuart Fotheringham; Heather Anne Low; Councillors Julie Bell and Ronnie Proctor; Community Police Officer Scott Anderson

1) **APOLOGIES:** Councillor George Meechan; Duncan Gourlay; Cirst Rajcoomar; Joanna Anderson

2) **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING**

The minutes of Meeting 20.3.24 were accepted as a true record.

**Matters Arising From Meeting 20.3.24**

a) **Mud Build up Outside School and Drain Opposite School –** ESF advised that this matter is being deal with.

b) **Heather Anne mentioned that the drains at Gateside still appear to be blocked. HA to report the matter.**

3) **SCHOOL REPORT:** - Cirst emailed CC the following as she was unable to attend:

**Head Teacher Report May 2024:**

**Learning for Sustainability – Growing food**

Our Learning for Sustainability Pupil Leadership group meet every week to review and identify next steps with our learning relating to the environment – how we can help be more sustainable at school, in the community and further afield. The children recently decided that **Growing Food** should be our next focus. We would welcome any visitors who are able to help with the gardening or donations of seeds/seedlings that we can grow in school. The groups meet every Monday between 10 and 10:30 but if you are not available then but would still like to help please let me know. [Inverarity@angusschools.org.uk](mailto:Inverarity@angusschools.org.uk) or 01307 494 259. Alternatively, if you would be willing to come and chat to the children about any aspect of growing food we would love to hear from you.

**Playground access**

2 families from the Inverarity community have signed an agreement to take responsibility for the opening and supervision of the school playground during the weekends and school holidays. Access will be provided between 11am and 8pm.

**End of year service**

Our End of Year Church Service will take place on the morning of June 27<sup>th</sup> (time to be confirmed) where we will bid farewell to our current P7s, wishing them luck on their journey to Forfar Academy. The P7 children will be leading the service and have already started creating a wonderful celebration of their time at Inverarity Primary School. We will also be displaying some of the children's excellent work from this school year. Everyone welcome to celebrate the children completing the end of another school year.

## **Lego Club**

We are hopeful that the after school Lego Club will be able to start soon. We would welcome any other members of the community who may be able to help out, so please let the school office know if you would like to volunteer.

## **Right of the Month**

The children are currently learning about UNCRC Article 28, the right to an education. This helps the children recognise their own skills and talents and which will be useful in their chosen careers and future employment.

## **4) PLANNING:**

- a) **24/00219/FULL** – Erection of livestock unit for housing cattle including provision of surface water drainage infrastructure. Drowndubbs Farm, Kirkbuddo

## **5) CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) **Police Reports** can be accessed from [victoria.crichton@scotland.police.uk](mailto:victoria.crichton@scotland.police.uk)
- b) **Free Period Products** are available in Angus. Please contact [Communityplanning@angus.gov.uk](mailto:Communityplanning@angus.gov.uk) for information on how to access these products.
- c) **Email from Active Travel Angus Council.** This is in response to our request to have an Officer survey the road between Gateside and Inverarity for the possibility of a cycle/pedestrian track being established. We are awaiting contact from Paul Downie Active Travel Officer.
- d) **Email from Ciara Roddy – Age Scotland.** She will send us some posters for our noticeboards etc.
- e) **Reminder from AC that the Bi-annual Meeting with Community Councils takes place on 28.5.24.** ESF advised that she will try to attend.
- f) **Planning Appeals Training for Committees – via Teams 12.6.24 at 19.30**

## **6) TREASURER'S REPORT**

Balance £6778.48. Louise advised that the accounts are to be audited. Secretary put in a request to be reimbursed for the purchase of printer ink.

- 7) **INFRASTRUCTURE** – Nothing new to report.

- 8) **QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR:** - None

## **9) AOCB**

- a) **Police Report by Scott Anderson**

Although he said there was not a great deal to report in the Inverarity area there are crimes being committed in other parts of Angus. We should also be aware that professional criminals from outwith our area are coming in and stealing cars, in particular Ford Focus ST's and Fiestas. He encourages folk to phone the police of anything they think looks suspicious even if they think they may be wasting police time as often these phone calls have proved very significant. He also advised that we look on the Police Facebook Page for updates etc. Scott was thanked for taking the time to attend our meeting.

**b) Church Events:**

- i) The Guild will be holding a Strawberry Tea on Thursday 27 June 2024 from 7.00 to 9.00pm at Inverarity Kirk/Community Hall.
- ii) Souper Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May at Inverarty Kirk/Community Hall from 12 noon to 2pm.

c) Julie Bell advise that information via email should soon be arriving from Angus Council regarding a Pilot Mental Health and Suicide Campaign.

**d) Inverarity Community Council Facebook Page**

Is now up and running for all members of the Community and beyond to see.

**e) Please note that Inverarity Community Council has a vacancy for one more member of our community – please come along to our meeting or contact any of our Community Council Members if you are interested. You will be most welcome.**

At 8.45 pm the Chair declared our meeting closed. Next meeting will be held at Inverarity Kirk on Wednesday 17 July 2024 at 7.30pm