

**Kirriemuir Landward East Community Council.
Monday 11 March 2024 7.30pm Memus Hall.
MINUTES.**

In Attendance

Ivan Laird (Chair), Lorna Bruce (Treasurer), Jeannie MacLean (Secretary), David Skea, Martin Friedrich, John Grieve, Cllr Julie Bell, Cllr Ronnie Proctor, PC Blair Wilkie.

Apologies

Cllr Chris Beattie.

Ivan Laird welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes from the previous meeting held on 5th November were accepted as a true record with agreed amendment.

Proposed-John Grieve

Seconded-Lorna Bruce

Matters arising

Tannadice, Manse Lane: John Grieve reported that there had been an onsite meeting with a representative from the refuse Collection Department to whom it was explained that the recommended site for Manse Lane bins obscured the view of oncoming traffic round the corner which made it dangerous for crossing the road to the entrance to School Road. The police were not in agreement with the site for the bins on safety grounds. John subsequently received an email from the department, the tone of which was seen as offensive. Cllr Julie Bell asked to have sight of the email.

John Grieve also reported that there has been continued extensive damage caused by timber lorries in the village, Cllr Julie Bell mentioned that Forestry and Land Scotland have access to a national fund for repairs and road structure and offered to provide contact detail about hauliers' recommended routes.

Police Report: PC Blair Wilkie gave a comprehensive overview of the numbers of offences in Forfar and Kirriemuir. It was requested that perhaps these numbers could be further broken down to reflect any incidents/offences which have taken place in the more rural area of KLECC. PC Wilkie said this should be possible and went on to give warning of a spate of thefts of Fiesta STs. It is recommended that owners of this type of vehicle should make sure they are locked, with any crime defence devices or trackers activated.

There are several active crime organisations at work & vigilance is encouraged & reporting of unknown vehicles & activity no matter how insignificant they may seem. The community police team can be contacted via email TaysideKirriemuirDeanCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk as well as the usual numbers.

Area updates

Justinhaugh

Potholes and road damage reported and concern over the increase in shingle build-up in the river.

Glen Prosen

Potholes and deep channels on the edges of some parts of the road. More concerning is a landslip on the Belmonies hill on the Prosen village side. This has bollards as warning but with the current levels of rainfall is likely to deteriorate rapidly. This slip is on the school bus route. Councillors recommended taking photographs and submitting them to the roads department with a What 3 Words location.

Glen Ogil

David Skea reported confusion over road closure signs going up and down.

Noranside

Some work has been done on the sides of the road. David Skea reported, however, that there are gouges out of the tarmac in Woodland Avenue. Although some potholes have been filled there are still others deep enough to be a danger to cyclists and motorcyclists. Councillors encouraged the Community Council to continue to report all potholes and road damage.

Tannadice

The Village Improvement group is pulling together to address multiple drainage problems in the village, some of which are caused by the water running downhill with no adequate drains to capture it because of historic infill of the channel below the road, and there is flooding taking place in the village. There is water pooling behind a cemented over drystone wall behind the school. The Village Improvement group is working to track each flooding event back to the original problem to find a permanent solution rather than going for a quick fix.

Lorna Bruce added that there is a mess of sandbags and bollards left where patching was done, and these present a hazard.

There was discussion around the concerning rise in the water level of the river, with an enormous amount of flood damage at the top of the village and 15 feet of river bank has been stripped away.

John Grieve to pull together a report from the Village Improvement group about the extensive damage within the village to be sent direct to Angus Council. SEPA and Scottish Water also have responsibilities in Tannadice which need addressing. Cllr Julie Bell spoke about the Council's Climate Change Mitigation Strategy which pulls together stakeholders and landowners identifying areas of responsibility. Lorna Bruce also raised the matter of a small bin lorry being deployed in Tannadice and wondered if this was to be ongoing.

Correspondence

None. All relevant emails are forwarded by the secretary.

Planning:

Ref: 23/00278

Mill of Tannadice, 14 South Esk Road, Tannadice, Forfar

Replace 15 single glazed timber windows with white PVCu double glazed windows.

Mr Christopher Maule

Ref: 23/00850 & 23/00857

The Stables and Steading, Noranside House, Fern, Forfar

Conversion of derelict stable block to a house including partial demolition, alteration and extension

Mr Arseny Muchnick

Ref: 23/00847

Braehead Cottage, Finavon, Forfar

Proposed alterations and extension to house

Mr Phil Ingram

Treasurers report

The current bank balance £1041

This includes £700 Angus Council grant for IS and PP which is to be retained to be spent over time for that purpose.

Balance as at 11 March without the grant £341.23

AOCB

- John Grieve reported on the joint community councils meeting in Durriss about the proposal on the work to put in a new overhead line 400kV between Kintore and Tealing, and said he would send the slide presentation to the Secretary to distribute once he has permission to do so. A number of people expressed personal views on the SSEN consultation meetings which took place in Memus Hall and Reid Hall, Forfar 6th & 7th March. There was consensus that these meetings are not really consultations as there was no registration, or anyone taking note of the questions or objections. It is hard to understand how community feedback on the proposals is to be measured, or indeed how

it was measured for the consultation in November. Although there are different views among community councillors about the use of the proposed pylons, it was agreed that KLECC should keep in touch with other community councils to be best informed in order to represent the parts of the KLECC community who will be impacted by the pylon build.

- Scouts, It was noted that the Scouts will be using Memus Hall for the for up to a year.

Date of next meetings:

Monday 13th May

Monday 8th July