

**Royal Burgh of Forfar Community Council**  
**Minutes of meeting on Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 2024 7 pm at The Cross meeting room.**

**Present:**

Community Councillors: - Tom O'Brien (TOB), Dave Gardner (DG), Graeme Clark (GC), Jacqui Garvin(JC) and Eleanor Feltham (EF).

**Minute Secretary:** - None

**Angus Councillors:** - Cllr Linda Clark and Cllr Ross Greig

**Others;** - PC Jenna Conboy Police Scotland

**1. Welcome and Apologies** – EF welcomed everyone, and apologies noted from James Gray-Cheape, Marley Hunter, Angela Gillies, Kathryn Patullo Robin Wardhaugh and Ian Dickson.

**2. Minutes from previous Meeting:** Notes of previous meeting noted and approved by EF and seconded by DG.

**3. Matters Arising from previous** – A MOWG group has been set up to look at setting up a new housing committee with Cllrs Wann, Braes, Scott, Bell, Devine and Whiteside on it. The bus forum is being looked at by community council, Cllr Clark said she is joining the Tactran meetings soon and will be raising the bus issues. A decent bus service is needed for the public if people are to stop using cars. GC said a bus forum is vital and a good idea, will need to gather views from the public and meet with the council and bus companies. EF said there are issues with bus timetables. JG said on a daily basis buses are missing or run very late. There are issues with the bus station in Dundee at night as it closes and is not a great area for vulnerable people to wait for buses. A lot of the elderly and the young rely on a good bus service.

GC raised concerns about potential cuts to services at Whitehills hospital and equipment such as the Xray machine. Secretary to write a letter to NHS asking for information on the Xray machine etc.

**4. Chairperson's Report:** Stand in Chair Eleanor Feltham see appendix A.

**5. Secretary Correspondence/Report.** A site visit with PC Anderson took place on where to locate pop up Pete's to help with speeding issues.

**6. Treasurer's Report:** Nothing to report.

**7. Police & Fire Service Report:** Chair welcomed PC Jenna Conboy to her first community council meeting as community police officer for Forfar. PC Conboy is from Forfar and is looking forward to her role as community officer. She talked about rural crime and the fact that it has gone down at the moment. She also mentioned the issue with shoplifting in the town, the police are arresting them, but they are then on bail awaiting court so repeat offending can occur. Cllr Clark how people can help change how the Police is run. They have been a few teething issues with the move to Angus house to do with IT, hopefully these issues will be resolved. A discussion on law and order took place about how the public can help by reporting crime and coming forward to give statements.

No fire report.

**8. Local Councillor Update:** Community council congratulated Cllr Clark on being made Provost of Angus. Cllr Clark spoke about British citizenships and how the people involved were proud and happy to be made British citizens. She said it is important to shout to volunteers locally and is looking at a volunteer civic award. **Cllr Greig** mentioned the new blue bins and changes to the timings for collections of the bins and that glass recycling was now separate and that bins for glass were to be put in certain locations for people to put the glass in. This will help with reaching recycling targets and hopefully save the council money. It

was mentioned about the upcoming “keep warm surgery” being led by Dave Doogan MP for Angus on 15<sup>th</sup> November at East and old church.

9. AOCB-. None

**10. Subgroup updates:**

- I. Quarry group (Lairds) No update.

**11. Planning Applications:** See appendix B

**12. Date and time of next meeting:** The next meeting will be on Thurs 21st Nov 2024 at The Cross-meeting room Forfar at 7 pm (19.00) for general meeting unless advised otherwise.

Appendix A

E. Feltham

Chairperson (stand in) report or 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Attended

Tuesday 24/09/24 Attended SSEN consultation (Royal Hotel) Forfar to Brechin route

Wed 09/10/24 DPEA (Dept. Planning Environment Appeals

Received message to state Reporter appointed who will conduct Unaccompanied visit to COTTON OF LOWNIE. No Further information required at this time.

Saturday 12/10/24 Information only

Attended an event being held by Angus Against Pylons at Memus Hall as a resident of Padanaram regarding proposed Bl. 1.(2B preferred route).

Various dates

Replied to resident re SSEN Bl. 1. route (impact) Nether Drumgley (FCC)

Replied to resident at Murhill and directed him to (Kirriemuir East CC)

15 November

Meeting has been arranged with Dave Doogan (TO'B) re SSEN

General

Reported damage to fencing at Forfar Loch. (now fixed)

Appendix B

**APPEALS PENDNG**

23/00393/FULM Cotton Lownie Solar Farm PPA-120-2069 (Received 06/09/24) Pending  
Site visit by reporter.

22/00859/FULM \* 216 Houses east of Garth Farm Revised

**PENDNG**

23/00389/FULM \* Scotia Homes Westfield Loan 1 17 Units

23/00469/FULL \* Closure northbound Lochland Junction

24/00306/FULL*	Queen Street Pavilion. 6 New build homes
24/00411/FULM	Auchterforfar Quarry Time period extension
24/00440/FULL*	7 (4 and 5 bedroomed) Houses Lour Road
24/00476/FULL	76A South Street convert 4 flats no 2 dwellings
24/00488/FULL*	114-116 East High Street Forfar Change of use from café to 2 bedroom flat
24/00543/FULL	Erect house Gowanbank Arbroath Road Forfar 8

## Appendix A

### Planning applications updates for Meeting 19<sup>m</sup> September 2024

#### APPEALS PENDING

- 22/00859/FULM \* 216 Houses east of Garth Farm Revised
- 21/00857/FULM 245 Houses (Deemed Reffsal PPA 120-2059-1) Note only for admin purpose
- 23/00393/FULM Cotton Lownie Solar Farm PPA-120-2069 (Received 06/09/24)

#### PENDING

- 23/00389/FULM \* Scotia Homes Westfield Loan 117 Units <sup>1</sup> OkO
- 23/00469/FULL \* Closure northbound Lochland Junction ~~✓~~ ○
- 24/00306/FULL\* Queen Street Pavilion. 6 New build homes
- 24/00411/FULM Accords  
Auchterforfar Quarry Time period ~~✓~~ extension)
- 24/00440/FULL\* 7 (4 and 5 bedroomed) Houses Lour Road
- 24/00453/MSO South Leckaway Farm (land 500m west) re 22/00817/PPPI various
- 24/00476/FULL 76A South Street convert 4 flats no 2 dwellings
- 24/00536/FULL Erect garage and roof extension
- 24/00543/FULL Erect house Gowanbank Arbrpath Road Forfar

#### APPROVED

- 23/00808/FULL Lochside Lodge 1 < and 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor extensions
- 24/00105/FULL 75 Suttieside Road Single storey extension and private water plant
- 24/00287/ADV 1 Berry Moss Lane O/Bank Erect signs
- 24/00288/FULL KFC Orchardbank Alterations
- 24/00434/PAN Westfield Loan (Scotia Muir Homes) ~~✓~~ *NEW*
- 24/00480/EIASCOR Field 430 West Craignathro Farm Turbine repowering (EIA not required)

#### **RTANTNOTE:**

SSEN Final Consultation regarding the 400KV OHL route through Angus from Forfar to Breck to be held on Tuesday 24 September between 2.00pm and 7.00pm in the Royal Hotel, Wallace Suite, Castle Street Forfar. Routes 2A and 2B westmost.

Padanaram will be most affected given the location is within 1km of the above options. Members of the public are encouraged to attend as this is the final opportunity to voice your opinions.