

## GLAMIS AND AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY AT 19.30

### Glamis Masonic Hall

**Present:** E Watson(Chair), M Smith(Secretary), A. Macmillan-Douglas OBE, C Jackson (Treasurer), C McDiarmid, E Walker Munro

**Apologies:** R Finlay, Cllr Proctor MBE, Cllr Meechan

**Conflict of Interest** – Euan Walker Munro excused himself for the item on Felling and Replanting Permission Application and discussion of the Cossans Solar Farm.

#### Action points:

- C Jackson contacted the Bank of Scotland to enquire about the proposed charges on the Community Council's account. The bank claimed not to know about it. Charlie will check the account to ensure no charges have been added on the next statement.
- Cllr Proctor was to ask Angus Council to investigate the possibility of clearing the drains in Charleston and Douglstown. However as Cllr Proctor was not present this item was deferred until next month.
- Nan Wade's bench in Charleston will be removed later this week and placed undercover to allow it to dry out and R Finlay will assess the damage.
- The bridges in Charleston woods are still in a state of disrepair. Emma managed to tape one of the bridges to help prevent an accident.  
**Action: Andrew Brough will be contacted for an update in this matter.**
- The final comment in the minute should read as follows:  
An email from Angus Pylons Facebook page was sent all Community Councils to encourage them to take the positioning of the proposed pylons as a problem if they had not already done so.

**Minutes proposed:** Angus Macmillan- Douglas **Seconded** – Colin McDiarmid

#### Matters arising

- The theft of the Pop Up Jim  
The Windfarm Trust has kindly offered to cover the cost of the missing Pop Up Jim. Charlie has purchased the replacement.
- Emma asked that the Gardening Group cost larger barrels to replace the ones at the War Memorial. Sandy from the gardening group informed the Community council that some planters will be replaced in March as the wood on some of the ones used presently is stretching.
- A meeting with Karen Dillon, Angus council, Andrew Brough and the Gardening Group took place to discuss ownership of various areas within Glamis.  
A particular area is the grass at the entrance to the village. It has been shown that Angus Council are responsible for this.  
However there is still issues around their policy of only cutting a metre width.  
Councillor Proctor was to approach the Parks and Leisure Team but we are unaware of the progress with this and so it has been deferred until next meeting.

## **Police Report**

The Police Report was discussed. It was felt that the report was vague, and it could be improved if the information contained more detail at a local level.

## **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report was submitted.

## **Planning**

Invereighty House, Kinnettles

Proposed alterations and extensions to dwelling house.

## **Correspondence**

- Felling and Replanting Permission Application – Kinnettles Farm  
Objections have to be submitted to the Scottish Woodlands by 27th January. Members of the community objected, and the community council will forward their concerns to the Scottish Woodlands.
- There is a proposal to build a solar farm and battery storage at Cossans. There was a public meeting in November and some members of the Community Council attended. Studies on flooding and biodiversity were still to be completed at this point. Based on the results of these studies slight changes to the project was made.  
There will be a Public Meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> Feb in Padanaram Village Hall 3pm to 7 pm to inform everyone, of the proposed project.
- The CC was contacted by Scottish Water to say that work will be carried out in Charleston on 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. This will involve road closures in the back row.  
Residents will be informed by letter.
- Fire and Rescue Service asked that the CC join an on line, focus group on 18<sup>th</sup> Feb. This is to discuss their draft strategy and thoughts of having a National Fire Memorial.  
**Action: Emma has offered to take part in this.**
- Angus Council Budget restraints  
Angus Council would like us to assist them on how they might close the projected budget gap of £9.5m.  
Posters will be displayed in Notice Boards and the consultation can be found at <http://engage.angus.gov.uk>. Information is also available in the libraries.  
**Action: collect and display posters to the above**
- Angus Council Community Planning Team Meeting for CC members  
This will take place on Teams on 27<sup>th</sup> Feb at 6.30pm and one on 5<sup>th</sup> March to introduce the New Chief Executive

**Councillors' Report** - no report was available due to the councillors being unable to attend.

### **Any other item of business**

- SSEN speakers to discuss the Proposed Kintore-Tealing 400kV Overhead Line have not been able to attend tonight's meeting. They have requested that if any member of the community has a question could it be submitted to the Community Council e- mail. Graeme Dey has offered to forward these directly to SSEN.

**Action: Dave Doogan will formally noted on the above.**

There is a public consultation on 12<sup>th</sup> March in the Reid Hall in Forfar, 2pm – 7pm  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb, Tealing Village Hall 2pm – 7pm

Date for objections to the SSEN Tealing substation has been extended to 31<sup>st</sup> January.

- Visit from Dave Doogan MP to discuss the Proposed Kintore-Tealing 400kV Overhead Line from a Westminster perspective. This will take place in Glamis Masonic Halls , 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 3pm.
- Glen Ogilvy Footpaths  
Representatives from Glen Ogilvie were present to inform the CC of two ideas suggested by the residents in Glen Ogilvy.

1. The residents would like to extend the Defibrillator Net eastwards to include Arniefoul and Douglstown. Neil Macleod offered to apply for a grant to take this forward.

This was met favourably with those present.

2. Neil would like to apply for a grant for a feasibility study into the building of a footpath/cycle path from the cottages in Lumley Den, down to Milton of Ogilvy and then to Charleston. The path would stop through Charleston and then start at the top of the hill leading to Glamis.

It was felt that the present situation for all road users was dangerous.

This path would link the villages and maybe increase use of the shop in Glamis.

Neil has been in touch with Paul Downie, Active Transport Officer in Angus Council and various sources of funding.

However the next step was to have a Public Meeting to measure the response from the locals.

**Action:**

Neil will contact the CC when the meeting should take place.

M Smith suggested that Charleston Hall could be a venue, if it is available, when required.

Euan Walker Munro said that he would raise it at the next meeting of the Local Access Group.

- Robert has sourced a noticeboard for Douglstown and this will be erected in due course.
- Robert contacted Angus Council to ask about the situation with the house 4 Dundee Road, Glamis. This has been lying empty since 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023. However Angus Council said they do not comment on individual cases.

**Action: Councillors to be contacted about this matter**

- Emma thanked everyone involved in the organisation and switching on of the Christmas Lights in Glamis. A small amount of money was given to the treasurer for funds for next year.

### **Questions from the floor**

Christine Schooler from the Christmas Lights Group gave the treasurer a detailed account of the financial situation of the Christmas lights Switch on in Glamis. Remaining monies were given to the Treasurer for next year's fund.

She informed us that the Estate had given permission for the Community Shop to go ahead this year.

Anyone wishing to volunteer please contact Christine at

[Schooler287@btinternet.com](mailto:Schooler287@btinternet.com)

Sandie Wright, from the Gardening Group, asked the CC if we had considered setting up a Local Place Plan. Emma asked Sandie if she could forward us with the information she has on this.

**The next meeting will take place on 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 7.30 at Glamis Masonic Halls.**