

**Monikie & Newbigging Community Council**  
**AGM & Meeting Notes: Tuesday 28 January 2025**  
**Monikie Memorial Hall (Irving Room) 7.00pm – 9.00pm**



**Committee Members**

*The MNCC consists of 9 member positions.*

No	Role	Name	Initials
1	<b>Chair</b>	David McGovern	DMcG
2	<b>Secretary</b>	Susie Newton	SN
3	<b>Treasurer</b>	Alison Binnie	AB
4	<b>Planning</b>	David Morrison	DM
5	<b>Committee Member</b>	Rebecca Laing	RL
6	<b>Committee Member</b>	Charlie Macintyre	CM
7	<b>Committee Member</b>	John Rodger	JR
8	<b>Committee Member</b>	Morna Milton-Webber	MMW
9	<b>Committee Member</b>	VACANCY	

**Meeting notes, actions, responsible people, and target dates for completion.**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: 7.00PM – 7.30PM**

1	<p><b><u>Members, Councillors, Police, Others Present and Apologies</u></b></p> <p><b>Welcome and Introduction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DMcG welcomed all to the Monikie and Newbigging Community Council (MNCC) AGM for period 2024.</li> </ul> <p><b>Present: Members, Councillors, Police, Visitor Guests, and Residents</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MNCC: DMcG/SN/AB/MMW</li> <li>Councillors: Cllr Cheape</li> <li>7 residents attended</li> </ul> <p><b>Apologies: Members, Councillors, Police</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MNCC: RL/JR/DM/CM</li> <li>Councillors: Cllr Boyd/Cllr McDonald</li> <li>Police: Constable Ronnie Irvine</li> <li>Newbigging and Monikie Primary School: Kellie Smith</li> </ul> <p><i>The originally advertised AGM and Meeting 21 January 2025 was rescheduled to 28 January 2025.</i></p>	
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2	<p><b><u>Minutes Approval</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Previous meeting notes approved from 19 November 2024 (Approved AB/MMW)  <b><i>Change to minutes – payment of £500 to be sent to Scouts and not Monikie Hall.</i></b></li> </ul> <p><b>Action:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SN to ensure that all minutes of meeting are approved by DMcG, then issued out to all MNCC/Police/Councillors and a copy to be emailed to Angus Council for publish - <a href="#">Monikie and Newbigging Community Council   Angus Council</a></li> <li>SN to alert via MNCC facebook page when new notes are up on page.</li> </ul>
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<b>3</b>	<b><u>Chairperson Report 2024</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Full report found in <a href="#">Appendix 1</a> (David McGovern)</li> </ul>
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<b>Action:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	
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<b>4</b>	<b><u>Secretary Report 2024</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Full report found in <a href="#">Appendix 2</a> (Susie Newton)</li> </ul>
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<b>Action:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	
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<b>5</b>	<b><u>Treasurer Report 2024</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Full report found in <a href="#">Appendix 3</a> (Alison Binnie)</li> </ul>
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<b>Action:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	
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<b>6</b>	<b><u>Planning Report 2024</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Full report found in <a href="#">Appendix 4</a> (David Morrison)</li> </ul>
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<b>Action:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	
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<b>7</b>	<b><u>Election of Office Bearers</u></b>
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The following was proposed (motion/seconded).

Position	Proposed	Motion	Seconded
Secretary	Susie Newton	AB	MMW
Treasurer	Alison Binnie	SN	MMW
Planning	David Morrison	SN	MMW
Chairperson	David McGovern	SN	MMW

All further MNCC committee members will continue, no resignations were given.

Position	
Committee Member	Rebecca Laing
Committee Member	Charlie Macintyre
Committee Member	John Rodger
Committee Member	Morna Milton-Webber

- One vacancy remains in place for the committee, ideally, we would like to welcome another resident from the Newbigging area to committee.

<b>Action:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	
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**END OF AGM**



**Normal Meeting Continued (7.30pm – 9.00pm)**

<p>The following is a record of those that attended the meeting (after AGM).</p> <p><b><u>Members, Councillors, Police, Others Present and Apologies</u></b></p> <p><b>Present: Members, Councillors, Police, Visitor Guests, and Residents</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MNCC: DMcG/SN/AB/MMW</li><li>• ANGUSalive: Colin Knight, Acting Chief Executive/Senior Manager (Sports and Leisure)</li><li>• ANGUSalive: Jeph Hamilton, Transformation Programme Manager</li><li>• Councillors: Cllr Cheape</li><li>• 7 residents attended</li></ul> <p><b>Apologies: Members, Councillors, Police</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MNCC: RL/JR/DM/CM</li><li>• Councillors: Cllr Boyd/Cllr McDonald</li><li>• Police: Constable Ronnie Irvine</li><li>• Newbigging and Monikie Primary School: Kellie Smith</li></ul>
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<p><b>8</b> <b><u>Police Report</u></b></p> <p>Constable Ronnie Irvine was absent for the meeting, SN briefed out latest report (MNCC).</p> <p><b>Recent Crimes/issues in the area were reported to the MNCC for assessment period (19/11/2024 – 28/01/2025).</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Recorded Crime:</b> Recorded Crime in the area remains low, however there has been a spike in thefts from unattended motor vehicles.</li><li>• <b>Carnoustie Police Office:</b> On 16 January 2025, Carnoustie Police Office closed as part of a planned full refurbishment. Officers have relocated to Arbroath, however a drop in base has been established at Angus Council Offices on High Street Carnoustie and as such there will be no disruption to Policing services in the area. It is anticipated that our newly refurbished Police Station will re-open again in March 2025, providing a modern fit for purpose Police Office to support our community.</li><li>• <b>Neighbourhood Watch Scotland:</b> Your local Community Police Officers have recently completed a course with Neighbourhood Watch Scotland, which allows them to send out immediate emails reporting such things as suspicious activity in the local area, as well as updates on crimes and other useful information, as such they are keen to have as many people as possible locally to sign up to these emails, which in turn could assist in crime detection and prevention.</li><li>• Being a member of Neighbourhood Watch Scotland could also lead to a discount on home insurance. If you would like to sign up, please use the QR Code Below.</li></ul>
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*Below is a reminder of some of the guidance information below which is recommended.*

- **No Cold Calling** – Stickers can be picked by from any MNCC member or inside the notice board at Monikie Hall, phone box at Monikie Hall and Pitairlie Garage.
- **Vehicle Security** - We would also like to remind all residents about the importance of vehicle security, ensuring the vehicle is locked, no valuables are left within, car keys removed and stored securely in the house. The following link directs to the 'Secured by Design' website which provides some excellent advice for vehicle security <https://www.securedbydesign.com/guidance/crime-prevention-advice/vehicle-crime/car-security>
- **Neighbourhood Watch Scotland** - We are still encouraging all residents to sign up to 'Neighbourhood Watch Scotland.' This allows residents to be notified via email of local crime trends, guidance, and advice. <https://neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk/>
- **Monitor and Contact** - We continue to monitor call and crime data for the area to intervene early in any identified problems. As always, we encourage residents to reach out to us using the community mailbox [TaysideCarnoustieDistrictcpt@scotland.police.uk](mailto:TaysideCarnoustieDistrictcpt@scotland.police.uk)

**Action:**

- No actions were recorded for Police.
- The MNCC look forward to a continued and positive relationship with the Police in 2025, which will support the Monikie and Newbigging residents/visitors and we thank them for the reports in advance of each meeting.

**9 Councillor's Update**

Cllr Cheape was present for meeting and provided the following update.

Speeding

Newbigging Village to Monikie Hall.

- **Update 28/01/25** – Angus Council conducting an angus area wide speeding review, and Monikie and Newbigging will form part of this exercise.

Car Park (Monikie Hall)

- **Update 28/01/25:** Issue to be considered at local level and any funding opportunities to expand overflow car park, action point now closed.
- SN to consider with Monikie Hall Trustees any available funding opportunities/solutions.



	<p><u>General Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 weeks away for Council Budget – funding gap, Council looking at positive ways of raising income (Feb 27) £8.5 million gap.</li> <li>• Local development plan 2016 still active, new local development plan (2029), local community groups will be consulted on this and it's important to get feedback from communities on what they want to see within local areas.</li> </ul> <p><u>MNCC Meetings</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Cheape also commented the MNCC for the attendance levels of their meetings, as other community councils have low attendance, he praised the local community for supporting through attendance and engagement. He also noted that this may be because of an open round the table meeting which fully welcomes and includes discussions/input from all those in attendance.</li> <li>• An open door and round the table discussion is something which all the MNCC members support, as we are all residents and want the best for our communities of Newbigging and Monikie.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Action:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update of Angus Council speeding review of Angus Area – <b>T/D 18 February 2025</b></li> <li>• The MNCC look forward to a continued and positive relationship with the Councillors in 2025, which will support the Monikie and Newbigging residents/visitors and we thank them.</li> </ul>

## 10. Matters Arising

<b>10.1</b>	<p><b>Monikie Park (Aquapark: Angus Aqua Splash)</b></p> <p>ANGUSalive: Jeph Hamilton gave the following overview.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Firstly, he thanked those in attendance for allowing him/Colin Knight to update on the expansion to existing outdoor water activities within the North Pond at Monikie Country Park.</li> <li>• Information of what was briefed by Jeph at meeting can be found in <a href="#">Appendix 5</a> (due to the length of information provided).</li> </ul> <p>ANGUSalive: Colin Knight</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colin Knight also discussed the feedback that he has viewed all of personally on all platforms such as facebook pages for Courier, Angus Council and ANGUSalive and briefed that the majority were very positive.</li> <li>• He also wanted to note some comments that were being mentioned regarding lodges within the park, he reiterated again that there are no planning applications or plans nor any discussions regarding lodges coming to Monikie Park and this simply isn't happening.</li> </ul> <p>A discussion took place with some in attendance, and it was agreed by the MNCC that the discussion of lodges should stop, and this issue be "put to bed finally", which Colin Knight was hugely supportive of. Some noted that this appears to give people misinformation around Monikie Park, especially via "Our Monikie and Newbigging" facebook page and other page sites.</p>
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	<p>Colin also provided a quick update of some things around Monikie Park.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Storm Eowyn</i> has caused some damage around the park which they have been trying to quickly resolve with their Rangers being trained/authorised chainsaw users recently.</li> <li>• Updated signage and bollards have been placed into park and updates to water safety equipment.</li> <li>• He also noted that there was some property queries regarding the Scout move to Monikie Park and these would be answered soon, which was mainly around moving things around the proposed site area.</li> </ul> <p>A local resident in attendance has offered ANGUSalive some help with the security of the new aquapark, SN agreed she would take details and pass direct to Colin after meeting.</p> <p>DMcG thanked both Colin and Jeph for their attendance and information/update on Monikie Park.</p>
	<p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SN to pass contact details to Colin Knight – <b>COMPLETED 29/01/2025</b></li> <li>• The MNCC have worked hard to develop positive relationships with the park, including them within meetings, feeding back on all park related issues, we will continue to support them and help them market the new aquapark to residents of Monikie and Newbigging.</li> </ul>

<b>10.2</b>	<p><b>Community Speed Watch (CSW)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SN attended a follow up CSW meeting on Monday 13 January at Wellbank Village Hall along with other community councils that will be part of the scheme. Lottery Funding Application to be completed which one community council will submit.</li> <li>• The CSW lottery funding application needs to come from one community council, and it was agreed that MNCC would take the lead on this application as other CCs are seeking other funding within the period 2025.</li> <li>• A Community Poll was issued out to seek feedback on support of the scheme, and the results of the poll were 126 responded, YES 91 Responses (73%), NO 35 Responses (27%).</li> <li>• The other CCs also issued out polls and again the results were similar with high percentage of residents in support of the scheme.</li> </ul> <p><u>Lottery Funding Application (£20k)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During this discussion SN raised that if we apply for the lottery funding then we cannot come back for funding within a 12-month period, the funding available is up to £20k and SN proposed that before we submit the application that we should consider adding repair of the core bridge to this application.</li> <li>• It was agreed that SN/DMcG/AB would create a small 'working group' to look over all funding opportunities, however this lottery funding would be the main priority.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SN to feedback to CSW group update re application and meet with AB/DMcG re gathering and costing information for Core Bridge repair – <b>T/D 18 February 2025.</b></li> </ul>



<b>10.3</b>	<p><b>Core Bridge</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More damage has been reported on the core bridge and repair will be considered as per action (10.2)</li> <li>• MNCC put a facebook post on page to advise people of the damage and to be careful when using the bridge.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As per 10.2 actions</li> </ul>	

Cllr Cheape left meeting at this point

<b>11</b>	<b><u>Planning</u></b>	
	<b>24/00427/FULL</b>	<p><b>Pitairlie Quarry Monikie Dundee DD5 3PZ</b>  <i>Application under Section 42 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended) to vary conditions relating to permission 17/00917/FULL. Specifically, the application seeks variation of Condition 2 to amend the hours of operation of the plant and equipment and Condition 3 to amend the operational noise limits associated with the development.</i></p> <p>Received: Thu 04 Jul 2024   Validated: Mon 08 Jul 2024   Status: Awaiting decision - Planning Link: <a href="#">PITARLIE QUARRY</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Update 28/01/25: All reports and recommended actions completed, proposed to go through planning approval estimated February 2025.</b></li> </ul>
	<b>24/00533/MSC</b>	<p><b>Carlungie Farm Carlungie Carnoustie</b>  <i>Approval of Matters Specified in Condition 3(a) - (f) of Application 22/00463/PPPL, including siting of the buildings, layout, car parking, design, access, boundary enclosures, landscaping, ground levels and floor levels and drainage</i></p> <p>Received: Fri 30 Aug 2024   Validated: Thu 19 Sep 2024   Status: Awaiting decision - Planning Link: <a href="#">CARLUNGIE FARM</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Update 28/01/25 – Nothing was raised re this application.</b></li> </ul>
	<b>24/00644/FULL</b>	<p><b>26 Broomwell Gardens Monikie Dundee DD5 3QP</b>  <i>Conversion of garage to form guest house/garden room and alterations.</i></p> <p>Received: Tue 29 Oct 2024   Validated: Thu 31 Oct 2024   Status: Awaiting decision - Planning Link: <a href="#">BROOMWELL</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Update 28/01/25 – Nothing was raised re this application.</b></li> </ul>
<p>Please note that any residents can check any planning applications through the following link: <a href="https://planning.angus.gov.uk/online-applications">https://planning.angus.gov.uk/online-applications</a></p>		
<p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DM to provide update for next meeting – T/D 18 February 2025</li> </ul>		





<b>12</b>	<b><u>Treasurer</u></b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Balance (28/01/25) £2318.29</b></li> </ul> <p>Paid since last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MNCC Seagreen Fund Scouts New Year Event: £500</li> </ul>	
	<b>Income: £400</b>	<b>Pending Payments:</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council Grant: £400</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Core Bridge Repair: £531</li> <li>• First Aid Training: Hire of Hall £30 (8 March 2025)</li> </ul>
<b>Action:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DMcG/AB to pay joiner (Core Bridge) chase up invoice – <b>T/D 18 February 2025</b></li> <li>• SN to check the expiry dates of the AED/Defib and report back to AB - <b>T/D 18 February 2025</b></li> <li>• AB to provide any update at next meeting – <b>T/D 18 February 2025</b></li> </ul>		

<b>13</b>	<b><u>A.O.C.B.</u></b>	
	The following was raised by residents/MNCC.	
	<b>13.1 Monikie War Memorial Trees</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SN raised that due to <i>Storm Eowyn</i> some damage has been caused to the memorial trees within Monikie Hall (War Memorial Garden).</li> <li>• MMW/AB had indicated they could offer help of donations of trees.</li> <li>• It was agreed that SN would Fred Conacher (Angus Council - Tree Officer) regarding some advice on replating of trees, using his knowledge/skills (<i>This was originally discussed at meeting to contact Colin Knight however on discussions 28/01 it was agreed Fred would be the first point of contact</i>).</li> </ul>	
	<b>13.2 AED/Defib First Aid Training</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New date: Saturday 8 March: 10.30am – 12.30pm (Monikie Hall). Event on MNCC.</li> <li>• Anyone that wishes to attend should contact the MNCC direct via facebook page or email direct.</li> </ul>	
	<b>13.3 Grant Payment</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SN to pass information over to AB re other community council grants and how they allocate the grant.</li> </ul>	
	<b>13.4 Monikie Hall</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SN will be working closely with Monikie Hall Trustees regarding funding opportunities to improve local projects, hall activities, maintenance/fabrics.</li> </ul>	
	<b>13.5 Scout Hogmanay Party 2024/25</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jill Whiteside (resident/representative for Scouts) reported back re Hogmanay Party and confirmed that they had raised a grand total of £1400, which is to go towards the Scout Hall move/relocation due by December 2026. She also thanked the MNCC for donation towards event.</li> </ul>	





**Action:**

- SN to contact Fred Conacher, Angus Council - Tree Officer re Monikie War Memorial Trees – **Emailed 29 January 2025**
- SN to contact AB re Grant Spend information (other Community Councils) – **T/D 18 February 2025**
- SN to raise with Monikie Hall Trustees funding opportunities – **T/D Hall next Meeting (TBC)**

**14** **Questions from the floor**

- Graeme Gorrie (resident) asked if there would be an update to Monikie Park Woodland Management Plan, due to the time the meeting ended, it was agreed that this would be picked up at the next meeting.

**Action:**

- MNCC to seek update Monikie Park Woodland Management Plan – **T/D 18 February 2025**

**Date of next meeting**

- Tuesday 18 February 2025, 7.00pm at Monikie Memorial Hall – Irving Room

**MNCC Contact and Communication Information**

Please contact us via our email account or facebook page with any agenda items.

[https://www.angus.gov.uk/directories/community\\_councils/monikie\\_and\\_newbigging\\_community\\_council](https://www.angus.gov.uk/directories/community_councils/monikie_and_newbigging_community_council)

<b>Email</b>	monikiecc23@gmail.com
<b>Facebook Page</b>	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/MonikieNewbiggingCC">https://www.facebook.com/MonikieNewbiggingCC</a>
<b>Notice Boards:</b>	Should you wish anything to be displayed please contact MNCC direct Locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roadside nearby (Newbigging School)</li> <li>• Victoria Sponge Cake (Monikie)</li> </ul>

**Useful Community Links**

<b>Angus Council "Report IT" Line</b>	<a href="https://www.angus.gov.uk/report_it">https://www.angus.gov.uk/report_it</a>
<b>Angus Council Planning</b>	<a href="https://planning.angus.gov.uk/online-applications">https://planning.angus.gov.uk/online-applications</a>
<b>Scottish &amp; Southern Electricity Networks</b>	<a href="https://powertrack.ssen.co.uk/powertrack">https://powertrack.ssen.co.uk/powertrack</a>
<b>Monikie Memorial Hall</b>	<a href="https://www.monikiememorialhall.co.uk/">https://www.monikiememorialhall.co.uk/</a>
<b>Neighbourhood Watch Scotland</b>	<a href="https://neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk/">https://neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk/</a>



**APPENDIX 1: Chair Report**

The following is an account of the Monikie and Newbigging Community Council (MNCC) for PERIOD January – December 2024.

1. We have 8 community councillors with good attendance throughout 2024. We had 2 resignations and recruited 2 new councillors, Morna Milton-Webber from Monikie and John Rodger from Newbigging. It was a long-standing objective to recruit representation from Newbigging.
2. Interaction with Police, Councillors, Angus Alive, Angus Council, Monikie and Newbigging schools, Scouts excellent.
3. Co-operation between Schools and Angus Alive helped by grant allocation.
4. Angus Alive attendance at meetings very positive. Friends of Monikie and Crombie Park
5. Final Seagreen grants allocated.
6. Main items raised.
  - Water Run on Denfind Brae
  - Re-siting of Glass Bins
  - Phone Box Refurb
  - Core Path Bridge
  - Woodland Management Plans
  - Park Management
  - Planning Application for Denfind Stone
  - Cardboard Cop Theft
  - Hall Management/Repairs
  - Triathlon Event
7. Most meetings were well attended and co-operative. September meeting was challenging with the two most contentious issues of the year discussed. However, all present were able to voice their opinions. The community council has a constitutional obligation to make sure there is balance to discussions and the committee have strived to make sure that is adhered to.

**END OF CHAIR REPORT**

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**APPENDIX 2: Secretary Report**

The following is an account of the Monikie and Newbigging Community Council (MNCC) for PERIOD January – December 2024.

**1. MEETINGS**

- The current MNCC was reformed January 2023, with 3 members that were within the previous committee staying, the committee has 8 members with one vacancy remaining in place.
- Meetings take place within Monikie Memorial Hall on a Tuesday night, hire charge in place, where we meet 10 times per year except July and December. The hall does not have a WIFI connection, and the committee only meet at present in person.
- The table below is a breakdown of attendance at each of the community council meetings in 2024. The guest speakers ranged from Angus Council, M3 Triathlon and representation from Monikie and Newbigging Primary School (Kellie Smith).
- The community council would welcome any ideas of how to “engage with the community” for more residents to attend meetings.

Attendance 2024	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV
MNCC Members	4	5	6	8	4	6	7	6	5	3
Community Police Team	0	1	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	1
Elected Councillors	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	0	2
Angus Alive	0	0	2	1	0	2	1	1	0	2
Guest Speakers	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3
Residents	5	4	6	8	5	5	12	26	4	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>

\* Aug 2024 we changed the reporting to feedback guest speaker attendance Kellie Smith (Monikie and Newbigging Primary School Head Teacher)

- Meeting agendas are posted via the facebook page and shared onto the “Our Monikie and Newbigging” page.
- Minutes are published on the Angus Community Council website - [https://www.angus.gov.uk/directories/community\\_councils/monikie\\_and\\_newbigging\\_community\\_council](https://www.angus.gov.uk/directories/community_councils/monikie_and_newbigging_community_council) and alerts are also issued out via the facebook pages when minutes are published.

**2. COMMUNICATION CHANNELS**

Email Account: [Monikiecc23@gmail.com](mailto:Monikiecc23@gmail.com)

- Communication during this period has been regular updates from the following:

CONTACT DETAILS	ACTIVITY OUTLINE
Hong Zhang Communities Officer, Vibrant Communities, Angus Council	Funding Opportunities
Sandra Livingston Community Officer, Vibrant Communities, Angus Council	Community Council Events/Training/Information
Neighbourhood Watch Scotland	Neighbourhood Alerts
Angus Council Planning	Planning applications
Angus Community Resilience Forum	Information re forum groups
Community Police Team	Monthly police reports
ANGUSalive	Updates/Information Sharing
Councillors	Information Sharing
Residents	Agenda Points/Information
MNCC Members	Passing info to team

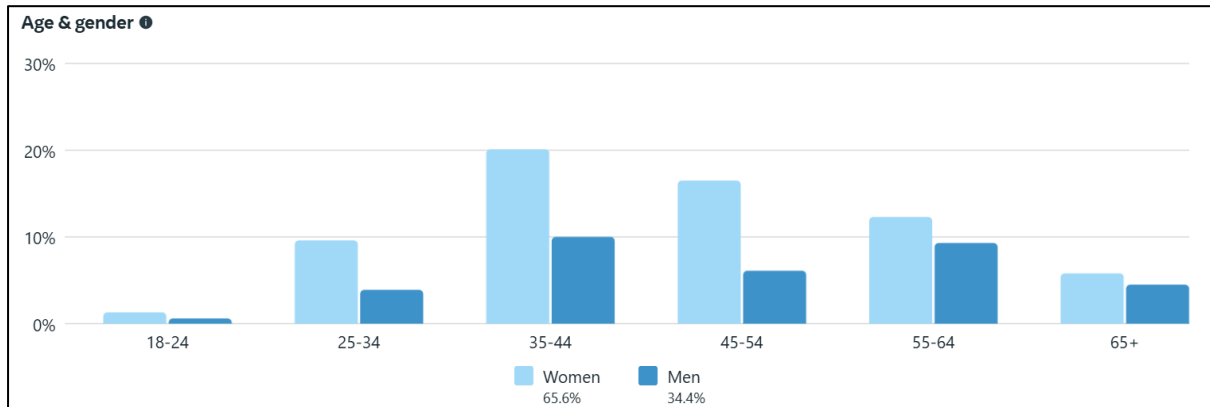


**APPENDIX 2 Cont.): Secretary Report**

**COMMUNICATION CHANNELS (CONT)**

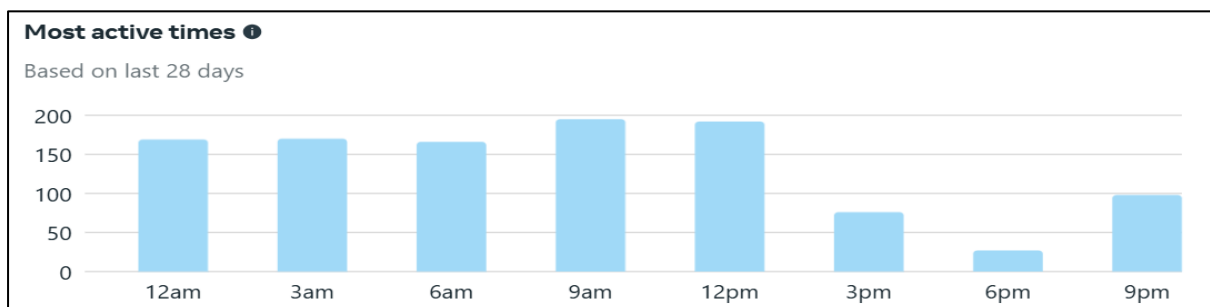
Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/MonikieNewbiggingCC/>

- Monikie and Newbigging Community Council: Followers **323** (Dated 20/01/2025)
- Age and Gender Profile: 65.6% (Female), 34.4% (Male)



*\* Age and Gender Profile of followers*

Based on the last 28 days the most active times on site



- “Our Monikie and Newbigging” facebook group has **997** members so it was noted that it would be good for more residents to follow/like the MNCC facebook page (as not all information is shared on “Our Monikie and Newbigging”).

**MNCC Notice Boards**

- The MNCC did not utilise these notice boards in 2024 much, this will be resolved moving forward to 2025 now they have been serviced/maintained and keys sorted.
- Locations of the 2 X MNCC notice boards.
  1. Roadside nearby (Newbigging School)
  2. Victoria Sponge Cake (Monikie)

**3. FUNDING**

- Seagreen Funding – Last of the Seagreen funding was issued out and used within the community and groups.
- Community Speed Watch “Working Group” in place and will continue to period 2025.
- Susie has set up funding meeting with Hong for January 2025 to look at potential funding.

**END OF SECRETARY REPORT**

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**APPENDIX 3: Treasurer Report**

The following is an account of the Monikie and Newbigging Community Council (MNCC) for PERIOD January – December 2024.

**Summary of Financial Statement**

- At the end of last financial year (Up to end March 2024) our bank balance was **£2534.12**

**From April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024:**

Income:

August	Monifieth Triathlon Club	£200
September	Angus Council Grant	£400
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£600</b>

Expenditure:

April	Hall rent	£120
August	Phone Box Refurb	£195.83
Jan	Seagreen Grant – Scouts	£500
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£815.83</b>

Current Balance (28/01/25) - £2318.29

Monies owed (bridge repair) - £531

**Net position - £1787.29**

Going Forward

- Council grant of £400 will be only known income
- No further Seagreen funding
- Bank account will have charges going forward - £4.25/month

**END OF TREASURER REPORT**



**APPENDIX 4: Planning Report**

The following is an account of the Monikie and Newbigging Community Council (MNCC) for PERIOD January – December 2024.

- Not a great deal to report for the last year. There were a number of pretty non-controversial applications made in the Community Council area which passed without a great deal of comment.
- There was a degree of interest aroused by an application for a development at Pitairlie Quarry which led to a discussion (and some heated and generally unrelated comments).
- There are currently only three unconfirmed applications outstanding at the moment and these have received no adverse comments from the Community Council.
- We are currently closely following the proposals by ANGUSalive for the regeneration of the woodlands in Monikie and Crombie Parks and the associated further development proposals in both areas.

**END OF PLANNING REPORT**



**APPENDIX 5:**

Monikie Park (Aquapark: Angus Aqua Splash), ANGUSalive: Jeph Hamilton

**Aim**

Our aim is to enlist local support for this initiative which we believe will help underpin an improved financial position within our Countryside Adventure services, thus helping to protect a hugely valuable asset within Angus.

- As Colin Knight previously communicated in July, our intention was to run a competitive procurement process for the supply and provision of an inflatable water park feature, which was highlighted at MNCC August meeting.
- Our business case gained ANGUSalive Board approval in September and Angus Council P&R approval in October.
- In parallel, we have run this tender, and Watersports World UK have been selected as our partner to supply and install the feature and we hope to launch the new service in May 2025, over the early bank holiday.

**By means of background and setting out our challenges:**

- This goes back to an initial report by Alliance Leisure in 2021 where 21 investment options were considered, the most attractive being a water-based activity feature which gained approval to progress.
- This was approved by our Board but ANGUSalive made investments into our sports centre a priority at this time, with this proving very successful and has underpinned financial recovery post covid.
- As you are aware, we have been part of other consultations into strategic options for our Country Parks, the most recent via Urban Foresight as a precursor to possible Level Up funding - it was not possible to take any Levelling Up Funding bid forward.
- Alongside this, we are working very closely with Angus Council to provide savings against our Management Fee which ANGUSalive depends on to provide many of our social outcomes and services.
- Savings targets have been met so far through close financial monitoring and income generation, with a further £500,000 target this year, £500,000 next year and £250,000 the year after.
- Angus Council are asking ANGUSalive to creatively reimagine our services which involves changing how we deliver our services (typically cost reductions) or growing net income, this expansion of our water activities is key to helping us income generate and support our sustainability.

**Our Response to these challenges:**

- We have been running a transformation programme over the last 12 months to address the funding challenges, and this water park option is one of the investment areas to grow our net income position. This being one of several investments we are pursuing across our service areas.
- The business case for the aqua park will deliver a conservative net income improvement of £381,000 over 5 years with a pay back in just over 1 year. This will help start to address the deficit in our country park service and provide one of several levers to help meet budget targets.
- We have consulted with and gained approval from SEPA in respect of environmental approval.



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- This feature will occupy less than 1% of the water area in the North Pond and will be on the water late April through to end October each year.
- It builds on our existing outdoor water pursuits.
- Discussion with Monikie and Newbigging Primary School's to get their input to naming the water park (revealed and named as Angus Aqua Splash), involving them in the soft launch of the water park and be involved in our marketing efforts.
- The water park will create an additional 3 full time and 6 seasonal posts within the local area.
- There are many health and wellbeing benefits associated with outdoor pursuits and this feature will help enhance our offer to Angus schools, Angus residents and visitors.

In summary, the drivers of required savings, no largescale investment opportunities such as those offered by the Levelling Up Fund, mean ANGUSalive needs to find creative ways to enhance our net income position.

By expanding our current water sports activities to include the water park, we can grow our net income and further protect our existing services which **494,069** visitors benefited from last year.

**END OF MONKIE PARK (AQUAPARK) INFORMATION**