Hillside, Dun & Logie Pert Community Council Minutes of Meeting held 12 February 2025 Held in Hillside Village Hall at 7.30 pm

Members present: Shane Fleming, Chair, Helen Robertson, Tony Smith

(Christine Russell, secretary)

In attendance: PC Mark Garnes

Apologies received: Davie McArthur

Shane Fleming welcomed everyone to the meeting including two residents of Craigo.

Police Report presented by PC Mark Garnes

The Police Report for January was discussed.

Assessment period 31.12.24 - 31.01.25

Police dealt with approximately 510 calls within the Montrose, Brechin and Edzell wards area during this period, of which 317 were pertinent to the Montrose, Ferryden and Hillside area.

In addition, there were a total of 154 crimes recorded within this time frame, of which 4 were specific to the Hillside area.

JANUARY 2025 EVENTS

Constable McKendrick worked with Junior Road Safety Officers at Andover Primary school and discussed road traffic offences and issues surrounding their school.

Constable Garnes said he had attended at the Montrose Befriending Service along with Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and discussed safety issues in the home, security measures for homes and community issues.

Constable Garnes also attended the Montrose Academy Careers Fair where he engaged with pupils and answered questions surrounding being a Police Officer.

Ongoing work by Community Officers during February 2025

Community officers are to carry out a roads policing day within the Montrose/Brechin and Inveresk area along with focused speed checks. Community officers are working with Junior Road Safety Officers at Edzell Primary School.

Constable Garnes is commencing the Pitchin In Programme at Montrose Academy which works to reduce youth offending behaviour and promote individual and community wellbeing, both in relation to football and more widely. It utilises a collaborative approach to prevention, diversion and education based upon building decision making skills and resilience.

Constable Garnes and McKendrick will also be attending the Brechin High School Careers Fair.

This report will be posted on our Facebook page.

Other points discussed:

Issues with scramble bikes around the Borrowfield area.

Craigo Bridge – buses are using the turning point, but half of the lights on the temporary bridge have been taken away and therefore it is difficult to see anyone coming, which is a concern to all. Work will continue there until end of March\April.

A house in Borrowfield will be used as a community flat and will be opened on 26 February. The residents are still looking at a neighbourhood watch scheme but they have to finance the signage themselves.

Car Park at Broomfield is littered with gas cannisters, cardboard boxes. PC Garnes said he would look into this matter.

PC Garnes was thanked for attending and left the meeting.

Minute of last meeting dated 11 December 2024 was submitted for approval. Approved by Shane Fleming, seconded by Helen Robertson

Amendment to the minute – Seagreen funding is not available in our area so an application was made to SSEN Community Benefit Fund to help with the school Trim Trail.

Matters arising
Work on Main Road, Hillside
Update still awaited.

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Temporary Bridge at Craigo (24/00398) Re-deck and alteration of Railway overbrige

The two Craigo residents said they had issues with the temporary road and had concerns for the children's safety getting off the school bus at the end of the day. The road is single track, narrow, not particularly well lit and half the lights have been taken away and more importantly you cannot see anyone coming over the bridge, which is an accident waiting to happen. She said parents are refusing to put the children on the bus. Mrs Moore said they are doing everything they can, but if residents had been consulted before anything was done, then perhaps this could have been avoided.

Hillside Allotments

No update.

Bridge at Dun

Helen said some work has been done, but the bridge is still out of action.

Local school involvement

No update.

Collaboration with Montrose Community Council and Ferryden	
Community Council No update.	
Rosemount Estate – tree planting (from Woodland Trust) Tony will liaise with the council as to where the trees will be planted.	
However, as the council do not have sufficient tree stakes, old stakes will	
be reused. Volunteers will be asked to help; scouts\guides etc could	
also be asked.	
Any other item of business, directed by the chair, to be considered	
Glass recycling unit	
A new glass recycling unit will be erected in Hillside Village Hall Car Park	
in March 2025 and will be emptied every week.	
Local updates from Councillors	
No update available.	
Any other competent business	
(a) Finance	
Still with the Bank of Scotland but looking at other options. Any new application will require sight of our Constitution.	
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(b) Planning	
24/00738/FULL – 3 Ardoch of Gallery Cottages – Proposed orangery	
extension.	
25/00037/FULL – Den Cottage, Kincraig, Brechin, - demolition of existing	
cottage and erection of new dwelling house.	
Welhill – smithy and Villa – application in for a new house.	
(c) Correspondence	
All correspondence received by the Secretary can be accessed by the	
committee in the Outlook mailbox.	
Questions from the floor None	
Next meeting	
The Chair declared the meeting closed. The date of the next meeting,	
will be on 9 April 2025 in Hillside Village Hall, at 7.30 pm.	
Approved and signed:	