

# **Committee Members**

The MNCC consists of 9 member positions.

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

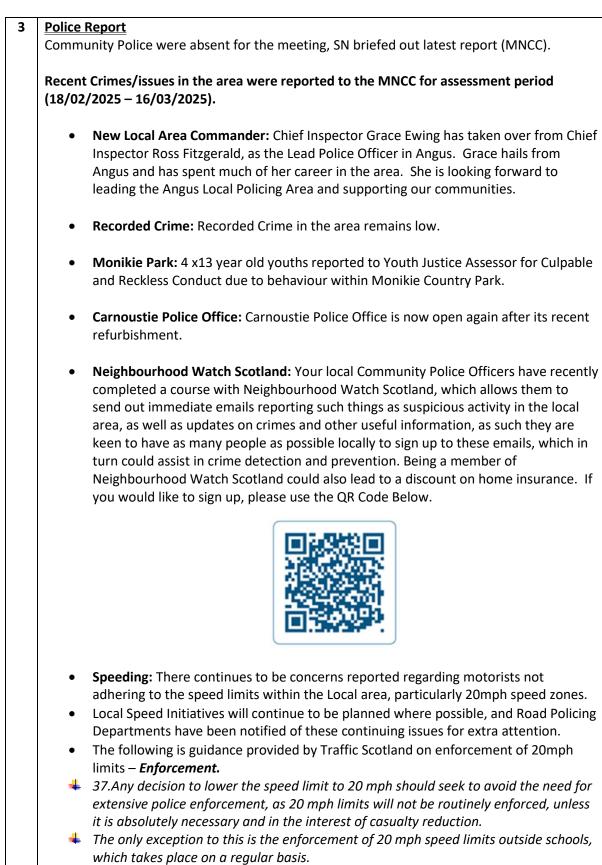
# Meeting notes, actions, responsible people, and target dates for completion.

Members, Councillors, Police, Others Present and Apologies
Welcome and Introduction
DMcG welcomed all to the Monikie and Newbigging Community Council (MNCC) meeting.
Present: Members, Councillors, Police, Visitor Guests, and
Residents
MNCC: DMcG/SN/JR/CM/DM/RL/MMW
Councillors: Cllr Boyd
ANGUSalive: Callum Lyall, Countryside Ranger
<ul> <li>Newbigging and Monikie Primary School: Kellie Smith, Head Teacher</li> </ul>
11 residents attended.
Apologies: Members, Councillors, Police
MNCC: AB
Police: Constable Ronnie Irvine & Martyn Brennan
Councillors: Cllr Cheape & Cllr McDonald.

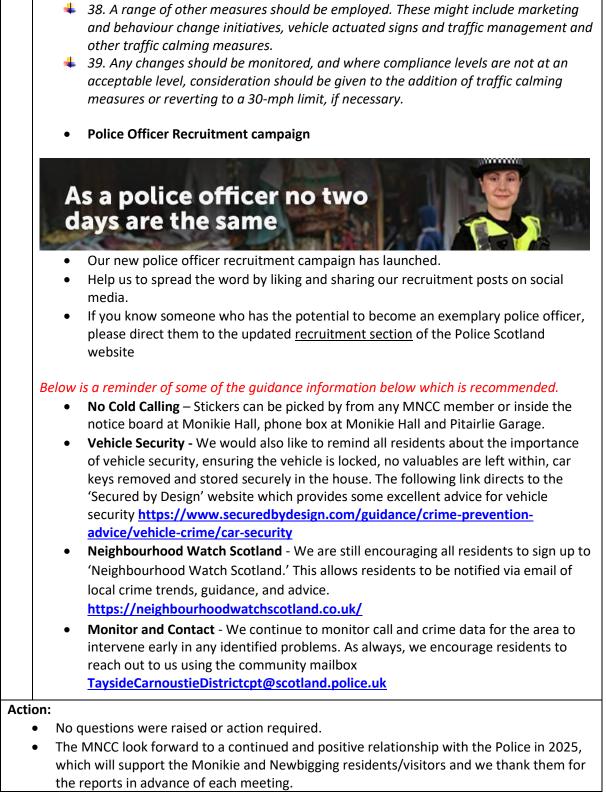
#### 2 Minutes Approval

	Previous meeting notes approved from 18 February 2025 (Approved JR/CM)
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	<ul> <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 - <u>Monikie</u></li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>and Newbigging Community Council   Angus Council</li> <li>SN to alert via MNCC facebook page when new notes are up on page.</li> </ul>











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4	Councillor's Update		
	Cllr Boyd was present for meeting and provided the following update.		
	Speeding: Newbigging Village to Menikie Hall (Angue Speeding Poview)		
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	Update 18/03/25:		
	<ul> <li>SN gave apologies re dates which had passed for meeting with representatives from</li> </ul>		
	Angus Council. She will contact residents and agree availability and then arrange a		
	meeting with Angus Council, MNCC to attend also and DMcG/CM have confirmed		
	they could be available to attend meeting when dates confirmed.		
	• A resident brought up could signage be added from Monikie Hall to south side of		
	park, due to no public footpath being in place, it was agreed that this would form		
	part of the discussion around speeding at meeting.		
	Speeding Calming Measures		
	MNCC made comment of the 2 new speed calming measures beside Monikie Park		
	and Broomwell Gardens (near bus stops). Jill Whiteside (Resident) raised that the		
	"priority road sign" is obscuring the speed sign when approaching – Cllr Boyd to		
	feedback this back.		
	<ul> <li>It was raised if there were any plans to implement anything around Newbigging.</li> </ul>		
	• RL advised that she had seen a good sign around Arbroath in place by Balfour Beaty		
	signage re keep my "dad safe", which she thought was a good deterrent.		
	Community Speed Watch		
	• SN confirmed that a lottery application is being submitted for the introduction of the		
	scheme which was previously agreed by MNCC to support.		
	Community benefits in local area by introducing the scheme, such as links into		
	school/scout groups and full support from the Community Police Teams.		
	Recruitment of speed watch volunteers will be in place when we know if achieved		
	the funding.		
	• Sites are fully risk assessed, and training given to all volunteers on how to manage,		
	including safety if drivers stop and get out vehicles.		
	DMcG reiterated that this was something the MNCC had agreed to pursue and be		
	involved in.		
Acti			
	<ul> <li>SN to contact residents and check availability and link in with Angus Council/Cllr</li> </ul>		
	• •		
	McDonald – T/D A.S.A.P		
	Cllr Boyd to feedback the obscured speed sign at Monikie Park and also explore if		
	anything is planned for Newbigging – <b>T/D 22 April 2025</b>		
	• 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.		
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# Cllr Boyd left the meeting at this point.



# 5. Matters Arising

5.1	ANGUSalive – Ranger and Community Update ANGUSalive: Callum Lyall, Countryside Ranger gave the following update.		
	•	<b>Toad Patrol</b> : Hopefully, this will be kicking off this week when possibly more rain has been forecast, they have been keeping an eye on numbers but as, yet they been relatively low. If you want to be involved, then please contact the Rangers direct.	
	•	<b>Tree Replanting:</b> The parks have secured funding for five hundred trees to be planted around the three parks (Crombie/Monikie/Forfar Loch). This has started in some parks, and they will use some of these trees around the hedge / fence areas where gaps have appeared around pond areas.	
	•	<b>Forest Schools:</b> Newbigging PS Forest School started March and Monikie PS are due to start shortly again with the Rangers.	
	•	<b>Easter Holiday Camps</b> – Information on Easter Camps has been shared on social media and booking is direct through them, information on website.	
	•	<b>Recruitment</b> – Recruitment campaign is in place for seasonal staff and there are some vacancies through <u>My Job Scotland</u> . Again, these have been shared via social media platforms.	
	The fol	lowing was raised by residents at meeting: What was happening re the gaps in fence (around pond areas), could the fence not be replaced as this was raised as a safety issue for dogs/children getting access to road, again it was advised that the tree planting would cover these areas and any extra material that was felled would be used to fill the gaps.	
	•	The condition of the park gate at the Craigton side was raised as the "spring" appears to be broken and on many occasions the gate is open. Callum advised that this would be looked and if a repair was needed on the spring they would sort. Unfortunately, they can close the gate on patrols but cannot control if visitors to the park do not close this when being used, as it cannot be monitored all the time.	
	•	It was also raised regarding trees that are felled and cuttings around side areas/paths what was happening. This is something which would be included within the Woodland Management Plan for Monikie and was something which Callum could not make comment on.	
	•	Playground has also been nearly all taken down (as was condemned), was the fence to stay up or down and what was being planned. Currently there are no plans to replace the fence and consideration on what the area will be utilised for is being discussed.	
Actio	ons:		
	<ul> <li>Callu</li> </ul>	Im Lyall to communicate feedback/comment to Rangers Team – T/D March 2025	



5.2	Monikie and Newbigging Primary School (Update)		
	Kellie Smith. Head Teacher, Newbigging and Monikie Primary School was present for		
	meeting, so we took the opportunity to get an update on school activities/information.		
	• Forest Schools: Update has been covered within the ANGUSalive update (5.1)		
	<ul> <li>Angus Aqua Splash: Children will be attending on 25 April, excited to be part of the naming, officially opening 3 May 2025 <u>AQUAPARK LINK</u></li> </ul>		
	Community Café: Newbigging Primary School 28 March 2025		
	<ul> <li>School Newsletter: Look out for the next addition after easter, any articles please get in touch via school.</li> </ul>		
	Information and Background to Forest School		
	• Forest School is a child-centred inspirational learning process, which offers opportunities for holistic growth through regular sessions. It is a long-term program that supports play, exploration and supported risk taking. It develops confidence and self-esteem through learner inspired, hands-on experiences in a natural setting.		
	• Forest School has a developmental ethos shared by thousands of trained practitioners around the world, who are constantly developing their learning styles and skills to support new and imaginative learners. Its roots reach back to the open- air culture, friluftsliv, or free air life, seen as a way of life in Scandinavia where Forest School began. It arrived in the UK in 1993 and has grown from strength to strength since then.		
	• As a philosophy, friluftsliv is basically about a simple life in nature without destroying or disturbing it. The concept is also tightly connected to "kos" (cosiness) – the unique Norwegian word for having a good time.		

#### Actions:

• No action for this area.

5.3	Monikie Memorial Trees (Update)
	DMcG/SN met with Fred Conacher (FC), Tree Officer, Angus Council on 20 February. The
	following was briefed out.
	<ul> <li>The war memorial trees have a variety of issues ranging from being dead, not growing as they should, not the right tree been planted, or restricted by tags too tight around branches/bases etc and various missing or damage identification tags.</li> <li>FC provided a detailed email to MNCC outlining the need to create a plot of current layout and the proposed layout of trees for war memorial garden.</li> <li>Woodland Trust provide "Wildlife Packs" which would be suited for the replanting of the trees, estimated May 2026.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>In the meantime, it is agreed the MNCC will tag the trees that are likely to be</li> </ul>
	removed and plot out the garden.
	<ul> <li>MNCC will consider who to contact to inform of actions to trees and cutting back</li> </ul>
	some overgrown high areas on trees – including contacting SSE
Acti	ons:
	<ul> <li>SN to develop an action plan for MNCC for above and assign roles and timescales – T/D 22</li> <li>April 2025</li> </ul>



### 5.4 CPR/AED Course

- Lynn Lawrence (St Johns Scotland) delivered a CPR/AED on Saturday 8 March 2025 for 2 hours which 7 local residents attended. All said that they enjoyed the session, and they also got the chance to see the Monikie Hall AED fire up.
- All were presented with their certificates at the end which we published via MNCC facebook page and shared to "Our Monikie and Newbigging".
- SN still has some further residents interested and proposed that we check if an evening session would be required to bring Lynn back, and the MNCC cover the cost of the hall hire.

### AED Update (Replacement Pads/Batteries)

- 1. Monikie Memorial Hall: New pads ordered expire 31 March, replacing week 31.03.
- 2. Pitairlie Garage, Newbigging: New pads received, replacing week 24.03.
- 3. Roseneath, Panmure Road, Monikie: New pads/battery received, replacing week 24.03

#### Actions:

- SN to put our social media post re if an evening session would be of interest T/D 22 April 2025
- SN to replace the pads/batteries on all AED **T/D End March 2025**

### 5.5 MNCC attendance at external meetings (Update)

SN provided an overview of some of the events attended and booked in for 2025.

- National Lottery & Robertsons Trust Community Space Funding Seminar: 24 February 2025
- CC Social Media Training: 24 March 2025
- Success for Sidlaw Group: 19 May 2025

SN also advised that she is linking into Monikie Hall Trustees/Scouts/Schools re any potential funding opportunities.

#### Actions:

• SN to pass information re funding over to any relevant parties – T/D On-Going

#### 5.6 Core Bridge Maintenance

	<ul> <li>DMcG/SN/AB to meet re Lottery Funding application to include core bridge – T/D 22 April</li> </ul>
•	<ul> <li>DMcG to seek 3 estimates for repair of the bridge – T/D 22 April 2025</li> </ul>
Actio	ons:
	this is being looked into by DMcG
	<ul> <li>Jill Whiteside (Resident) raised if we would consider Tesco tokens to raise monies,</li> </ul>
	also maintenance costs as well as providing information on land.
	• DMcG to provide information for lottery application on 3 estimates for repairs and
	we have no income being generated.
	Watch) for the repair of the bridge as this is a cost which the MNCC do not have as
	Lottery funding application to be completed (including with Community Speed
	joiner repair previously, however now the bridge has much more significant repairs required.
	• The core bridge which was funded approx. 10 years ago to be build has had a small

- DMcG/SN/AB to meet re Lottery Funding application to include core bridge T/D 22 April 2025
- DMcG to contact Tesco Monifieth re Tesco Tokens T/D 22 April 2025



6	Planning DM briefed out repo	ort.
		gton Monikie was received by email to MNCC from planning 5pm on as added to meeting (did not appear on agenda)
	24/00533/MSC Update 18/03/25 Awaiting	<b>Carlungie Farm Carlungie Carnoustie</b> 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
	decision	Received: Fri 30 Aug 2024   Validated: Thu 19 Sep 2024   Status: AWAITING DECISION - Planning Link: <u>CARLUNGIE FARM</u>
	25/00104/FULL Update 18/03/25 Awaiting decision	<b>Bunker Craigton Monikie</b> Application under Section 42 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended) to allow for the erection of a house subject to different conditions than those attached to permission 24/00184/FULL, and specifically for an alternative scheme of improvements to the access track and passing places
		Received: Tue 25 Feb 2025   Validated: Tue 11 Mar 2025   Status: AWAITING DECISION - Planning Link: <u>BUNKER CRAIGTON MONIKIE</u>
		y residents can check any planning applications through the following again and a second s
Acti	<ul><li>ons:</li><li>DM to provide up</li></ul>	odate for next meeting – <b>T/D 22 April 2025</b>

'	Treasurer	an CN briefed out report	
	AB was absent for meeting		
	Previous Balance	e (18/02/25)	
	<ul> <li>£1326.49 (Includ</li> </ul>	es £400 Council Grant)	
	• £926.49		
	Income: £400	Pending Payments:	
	• Council Grant: £400	• First Aid Training: Hire of Hall 8 March 2025: £30	
		<ul> <li>AED Pad, Monikie Hall: £66 (including VAT)</li> </ul>	
		MNCC Monikie Hall Rent (Meetings 2025)	

• AB to provide any update at next meeting – T/D 22 April 2025

8	<ul> <li><u>A.O.C.B.</u></li> <li>MNCC Vacancy</li> <li>SN raised should we put another post up re recruitment of another MNCC for Newbigging area as currently we only have JR representing Newbigging.</li> </ul>
Acti	on:
	<ul> <li>SN to post on social media platforms re vacancy – T/D 22 April 2025</li> </ul>



9	Questions from the floor
	<ul> <li>Panmure Monument</li> <li>Felling has started around the Camus Cross due to storm damage and it is hoped that this would be returned to its original condition re access by early Spring 2025.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>West End Development (Monikie)</li> <li>Work has started on the new houses/foundations within this site (across from Victoria Sponge, Monikie).</li> </ul>
Acti	<ul> <li>No action for this area.</li> </ul>

#### Date of next meeting

• Tuesday 22 April 2025, 7.00pm at Monikie Memorial Hall – Irving Room



# **MNCC Contact and Communication Information**

		nail account or facebook page with any agenda items. /directories/community_councils/monikie_and_newbigging_communit	
e	Email	monikiecc23@gmail.com	
F	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/MonikieNewbiggingCC	
Notice Boards: Should you wish anything to be displayed please contact MNCC direct (via facebook page or email address)		<ul> <li>Locations:</li> <li>Roadside nearby (Newbigging School)</li> <li>Victoria Sponge Cake (Monikie)</li> </ul>	

# **Useful Community Links**

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