



Minutes of the meeting held on

14th March 2012

I. Present

C. Roy, J. Pearson, J. Hulme, J. Skabara, S. Kinnear
Cllr. O'Brien, PC McNally.

II. Apologies

M. Duckworth

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from the last meeting were approved .

IV. Matters Arising

1) Actions Intimated:

- i. Bank – Account is now set up. S. Kinnear will pay in the cheques she has, then arrange for the Post Office set up.
Community Pride Fund - New bank account details can now be quoted. Positive feedback suggests it is likely a grant will be awarded.
- ii. Pavement - now repaired and appears well drained.
- iii. Fintry Focus – Cross Boundary Agreement and TV Reception concerns – both have been included in the latest issue.
- iv. Road signage. B822 Kippen to Fintry. Cllr. Lambie suggested a roundel on the road with the word “SLOW” on the road near the Arnprior junction.
- v. Snow ploughs. Cllr. Lambie has passed on the query to the appropriate Department at Stirling Council. Cllr. O'Brien reported he had been on a working committee planning for bad weather measures. Local farmers willing to take part were given snow plough fittings for their tractors.
- vi. Meeting with A. Haslam re. proposed housing development. M. Duckworth has met with Mr. Haslam who assured her that he is keen to work with FCC and the community. The layout and density could be altered and style to be in keeping with local architecture. He is very enthusiastic about low cost rental and was interested to learn of the development in Deanston.
Concern was expressed about the possibility of the new development causing flooding problems. Cllr. O'Brien suggested waiting until the next stage in the planning process in August. Following this a future meeting will be called so that more members of the community can attend.
A question was raised about local needs for housing and whether statistics could be obtained from SC. **ACTION POINT:** C. Roy to write for these.
- vii. Jubilee Tree. Barbara Docherty at SC has been consulted regarding rules and regulations of planting in cemeteries. There should be no disturbance of the graves in particular when the tree and roots grow. Also appropriate size of tree to avoid major wind damage. A site inspection will be needed. **ACTION POINT:** C. Roy to arrange.

viii. Tennents sign. New owners of the Fintry Inn will replace this, but are leaving it in place until an alternative is obtained – as it catches attention that the building is a pub. It will not be lit up though.

2) Sports Club – FCC to give Youth Club money to the Sports Club. They have already purchased some equipment. They have been pleased to hear of the Community Pride Fund Grant application that we have made.

Winter Plan – information and cooperation will be obtained from the Sports Club at their next meeting. They are to have the meeting shortly and C. Roy will attend.

3) Roads. Repair past the Clachan Hotel is now complete. Pothole repairs near the sewage works are needed and C. Roy has informed SC of this.

4) FCC Survey. To include whether people would use the DRT if it went to the hospital in Larbert; moving the post box; and TV reception. ACTION POINT: J. Pearson to prepare questionnaire.

V. Police Report

Road accident on Kippen Road. Driver is being prosecuted.

Dogs have been attacking sheep near Stirling, Mugdock and Balmaha.

PC McNally has been out on the Kippen Road with the speed gun. No one exceeding speed limit.

VI. Councillors Report

Council's last meeting was on the 1st March.

Craigannet Windfarm – a site visit will be made following the submission of Planning Application.

Cllr. O'Brien reported that he will be retiring so this will be his last meeting at FCC. reporting as a councillor.

VII. Finance

The SC administration grant of £309.00 has been received.

VIII. Planning

Nothing of significance to report.

IX. Queen's Jubilee

A meeting is to take place on 15th March at the Sports Club to plan events to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. J. Skabara from FCC will attend. It is proposed to involve as many local businesses and organisations as possible.

Suggestions are; a parade; pub quiz; family ceilidh.

Funding is available through the Community Pride Fund whose next deadline for applications is in April and FCC will support the efforts being made.

X. Correspondence

1) E-mail from Helen Geddes re. Public Liability Insurance.

2) E-mail from PC McNally re Central Scotland Police annual charity ball money.

3) Email Bulletin, SURF- Scotland's Independent Regeneration Network.

- 4) Email Invitation to Brian Taylor's Big Debate in Stirling.
- 5) Email CSGN survey re. woodland – returned, completed by C. Roy.
- 6) Agenda and minutes for Rural SW Area Community Forum on 20/02/2012. C. Roy attended.
- 7) News sheet from the Community Team – forwarded to members.
- 8) Extension to Community Pride Fund Deadline.
- 9) February Bulletin of Scottish Community Councils. Forwarded to members.
- 10) Copy of reply to Anne McGuire re. the Primary School Headship.
- 11) E reply from Cllr. Lambie re. reversing the bend sign near to Knockraich.
- 12) E Newsletter: National Network of Community Councils – forwarded to members.
- 13) National Records of Scotland. Population Projections.
- 14) Boundary Commission for Scotland. Review of UK Parliament Constituencies.
- 15) E-mail re Thornhill and Blairdrummond Queen's Jubilee Beacon and celebrations. Invitation to us and RSVP. J Hulme to reply that we will not attend as Fintry having own event.
- 16) E-mail re ASCC Conference 18th April at Dunblane Hydro.
- 17) Planning Panel Notice of Meeting 6th March. E-mailed to M. Duckworth.
- 18) Rural Stirling Housing Association. Invitation to official opening of Deanston Development on 9th March.
- 19) E-mailed leaflet "Housing and Customer Service Update". Mentioned in the Fintry Focus.

XI. A.O.B

- 1) Benches. No more news since last meeting.
- 2) Craigannet windfarm – see Cllr O'Brien's report above.
- 3) FDT. Another award has been received from the Community Challenge Fund. This has secured their employees for the next few years.
- 4) FDT. Has secured Scottish Government Funding to carry out a pilot project externally insulating two properties of the Cruden Rural steel frame build. These are both in the Culcreuch Estate.

XII. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 18th April 2012.