

# Minutes Wednesday 13th May 2015

Present: Jamie Pearson (Chair); Ken Young (Vice Chair); Meg Duckworth (Planning/

Licensing); Ron Garvie (LDP/Roads);

**14** members of the public,

1. Apologies: Dawn Roberts (Rural Forum Rep); Bert Comrie (Transport Advisor); Ken Smith (Communications)

2. Approval of Minutes	Action
Previous minutes were approved	
3. Police Report	Action
Antisocial Behaviour – there were no calls related to disorder received Road Safety – speeding, dangerous driving, indiscriminate driving – two complaints of parking, no collisions.  Theft – a number of homes broken into in April. Police suggested travelling criminals. Also quadbike thefts, enquiries are ongoing. Police ask the public to ensure doors locked up, quadbikes are secure and report suspicious vehicles. Community engagement & reassurance – know officers, regular patrollers. East end of village is a regular checkpoint and following complaints of speeding offices will be carrying out radar checks.  Separate officers investigating separate cases – will they update us on results? Questions from public –  Q - Sports club event will there be more or less police present?  A - It will be the same unless additional required or requested from Police Scotland.  Q - Witness of white van in school car park  A - Asked to call Police Scotland asap when any suspicious vehicles seen.	
4. Stirling Councillor's Report	Action

Cuts to the DRT service will progress as planned, timing uncertain. Pilot studies on community empowerment within community councils are to start within the next week at Killearn, Strathblane & Balfron.

- Councils will engage more with communities
- Good to hear how neighbouring communities get on.

Wind energy consultation is taking place Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May – 6<sup>th</sup> July. There will be changes to Parish boundary to take in half of Cambusbarron and some of Carron Valley.

# 5. "Fintry Possible" Presentation

**Action** 

The document will be available in hard copy and online. There were concerns about the public not knowing about it – and the report will be available at Sports Club when finished.

The group sent out leaflets and held business consultations to ask people about their needs from village.

7 visions for the future:

Fintry is a place to live and enables quality of life for people of all ages – housing needs, different amenities for age groups.

Fintry is a destination, can be accessed by different transport – separate from public transports, Fintry split into different sections - how to connect? Connecting Fintry locally and throughout Scotland – connecting paths.

Protecting Fintry's environment – landscape and feeling. Using natural landscape for outdoor activates – tourists, DofE

Fintry is leading the way with sustainable development and is a place of innovation

Fintry is recognised as a destination and this recognition has economic benefits – possible Fintry app to promote different businesses within the village.

Not enough provision for elderly in need of care – talk of lifetime housing or nursing care

FDT/FCC to organise an application for funding available to look into what people in Fintry want from housing.

#### 6. Bowling Club

**Action** 

It will be kept running but there was concern from remaining members to hand over to safe hands. The constitution will be kept the same with the club renamed Fintry Community Bowling Club. A management committee to be set up consisting of 3 members of FCC or elected members, 1 rep from former club or current user of club and 1 from a neighbour of club.

Regular meetings to be held at same time as FCC meetings and the club will be open to guests.

Use of the club broadened to bowling and any other sporting activity or community activity approved by managing committee. No individual should benefit from the sale of the assets.

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#### 7. Finance

Action

FCC is receiving a grant from Stirling Council connect fund to use to increase communication/engagement with community. We've done one "door drop" leaflet, can do two more with the existing grant with the aim to increase database for emails whilst continuing printed info. We need to be sharper on updates and agendas.

The Common Good Fund has a balance of approx. £5,500. There's info on website on what you can apply for - application online or forms printable. Hall committee haven't come back to us on requested funding for lights. FCC to speak about quote to Matthew FDT.

**Fintry Shoppers Bus** we have to wait for funding to finish (end of June) before we can reapply for more so there will be a gap with no funding available. Maybe shoppers can contribute half or third of the cost to keep it running? Need to discuss how to fund the bus after June, contact Bert to find out his costs and hopefully ask more users for their views at the next meeting.

# 8. Planning Action

An application for 1 wind turbine 1 mile north west of Craiggannet Farm on the north side of Loch Carron.

An application for a new house in garden ground at 115 Main Street, Fintry has been approved with conditions.

An application by the Forestry Commission has been approved for the upgrading of a forest road on the south side of Loch Carron.

An application for decking at Lurg Farm has been approved.

For information Tulloch homes say they'll launch an application for 800 houses at Bannockburn.

### 9. A.O.B

#### Website/communication

A few website issues were raised Ken Smith to be notified. It was agreed that more FCC information should be put on the Fintry Buddies Facebook as it has a large audience.

#### **Community Garden**

Angela May agreed to take over the running of the Community /garden next to the sports field. Funds could be available from the Common Good Fund to pay for grass cutting etc. Angela will submit an application form. Revisit next meeting.

#### **Road Closure**

FCC to keep the community updated as to the closure or otherwise of the B818 due to the water pipe works taking place.

# 10. Correspondence Action None

11. Date of next meeting	Action
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2015 - AGM	