

MOUNT BLAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING

Draft Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the 33rd Session of Mount Blair Community Council held in the Session House, Kirkmichael on 23rd November 2009

Present: Doreen MacIntyre; Michael Purdie; Donald Michie; Andrew Duncan; Susan Scott; Cllr Bclis; Cllr Caroline Shiers; PC Grev Humphrey (Tayside Police); and 4 members of the public.

1. D. MacIntyre welcomed all to the meeting.
2. Apologies had been received from Phil Moston, Fiona Calvin and Cllr Liz Grant.
3. Minutes of Last Meeting: Proposed by D. Michie and seconded by M. Purdie that the draft Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted.
4. Matters Arising: All matters arising would be covered in the agenda for this meeting.
5. Report from the Chair: Unfortunately the Treasurer Phil Mostyn has had to relinquish his post and stand down from the Community Council. Mike Purdie volunteered to be acting treasurer until May 2010.
Community Council fund £958.88 Drumderg Micro Fund £300.93
6. Secretary's Report: Various items of correspondence had been received and were on display in the Session House meeting room. This included:
 - Consultation from P&K Council on the adoption of red telephone boxes;
 - Servite News
 - Digital Television Switchover Community Outreach Pack
 - Perth and Kinross Countryside Annual Report 2008-09
 - Council Meeting Minutes 10 June 2009 – 16 September 2009
 - Draft Perth and Kinross Placemaking Guide
 - The Nature of Scotland, SNH, Autumn 2009
 - STUC Rebuilding Collective Prosperity
 - Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan – Development Plan Scheme
 - Copy of letter from Cllr Shiers to Chief Superintendent Suttie re: Motorcyclists on A93 Glenshee 1
7. James Small Memorial: Work is due to commence in February 2010, and is scheduled to be completed in the financial year.
8. New Car Park, Kirkmichael: Parking due to be allowed from next week. Finishing touches and tidying up completed. Concerns were raised that the stone sourced for the drystone wall was red sandstone, which has previously been requested not to be used.
9. Drumderg Community Benefit Fund Advisory Panel: John Manning has been elected to the panel.
10. Report from Community Police: Dates for meeting the Community Police at Kirkmichael Post Office and the Spittal of Glenshee Hotel have been finalised and are listed at the end of the minutes.
PC Humphrey was not aware of any major crime issues.
11. VIP Informer: There are still problems with the system, PC Humphrey to investigate why it has failed in the absence.

12. Cllr Shiers report: Meeting being arranged with the Chief –Constable regarding the speeding motorbikes Glenshee road and through Strathardle.
Further meeting with the Grounds Maintenance department regarding maintenance of roadsides and h rows.
13. Cllr Ellis report: Covered by Cllr Shiers and verbal report from Cllr. Grant.
Cllr . Ellis has agreed to write to the roads department regarding improvements to drain clearing.
14. Mount Blair Community Trust. A steering committee has been set up including J. Manning, D. McInty M. Purdie, and they will shortly have produced their mission statement. This will cover Community an reation initiatives in Strathardle and Glenshee. There will be a further public meeting in due course.
15. CATERAN trail: Enhancements are to be made and repairs to some parts of the trail, with some simple shel being constructed. To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the trail a sponsored BBQ will be held at the Brid Cally Hotel following a days walk on the trail. Date to be announced. Charities are now looking at havir jor events on the trail.
16. Cairngorm Boundary: Mike Purdie reported that the boundary will not be officially expanded until Octo 2010. A Community Heritage Officer has been appointed for two years and will be available for projects tact is FionaMcLean@cairngorms.co.uk
17. Rural telephone Kiosks. A letter will be written to the Council that we should like the telephone kios tained, with their telephones working, particularly in the rural areas with poor mobile reception along tl eran Trail. Both the Ballintuin and Enochdhu residents had expressed an interest in taking over these ki should the telephones be removed.
18. EPLOCAL : A system has been announced which enables text messages containing community inform to be sent to interested parties. All that is required is a mobile phone number to be given to her.
19. Save The Red Squirrel : have requested through Petrina Menzies that if any grey squirrels are seen , t should be reported to them.
20. Area Reports
Kirkmichael Discussion about speed limit restrictions required leaving Kirkmichael as far as the James Memorial. Possibility of limited CCTV coverage for Strathardle to assist in crime detection. Request to be r re-instatement of screening at the
Bridge of Cally, Cleaning up of old Craighall Road entrance and basic drain maintenance. Kirkmi screening to be re-instated at the Graveyard.
21. Date of next meeting 22 Feb 2010 at 7pm

Future meetings: AGM and business meeting - 10th May 2010
13th September 2010
22nd November 2010

Tayside Police – Meet on the Beat

Do you need to speak to a Police Officer?

Are you requiring assistance, advice or help?

If it's not urgent then you can meet with a Police Officer from Tayside Police on the following dates at:

The Kirkmichael Post Office 10am – 12pm

The Spittal of Glenshee Hotel 1pm – 3pm.

12th December 2009

22nd December 2009

11th January 2010

30th January 2010

10th February 2010

20th February 2010