

MOUNT BLAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING

Draft Minutes of the 1st meeting of the 33rd Session of
Mount Blair Community Council held in the Session House,
Kirkmichael on May 11th 2009

Present:; *Fiona Calvin; Andrew Duncan; Doreen MacIntyre (Chair); Donald Michie; Phil Moston; Mike Purdie; Susan Scott; Cllr Liz Grant; Cons. S. Watt of Tayside Police; Fiona Clark and Alex Young P&K Council; and five members of the public.*

1. Minutes of last meeting

Acceptance of the minutes of the last meeting was proposed by P. Mostyn and seconded by F. Calvin.

2. Matters arising from the last minutes

None not covered by the agenda.

3. Report from the Chair

Blackcraig Forest scoping meeting had been attended by D MacIntyre in March, and it was hoped that there would be action on some of the suggestions which had previously been identified by the community for the site.

4. Report from the Secretary

Annual letter re: Gritting Services had been received from the Council. D. MacIntyre to respond covering the issues raised by the members and members of the public. It has been suggested that a "self help" scheme could be reintroduced with local residents being employed to clear certain roads.

Publications received would be available in the Session House and Kirkmichael Shop.

5. Report from the Treasurer

As of November 24th, the current balance for the Community Council fund is approximately £790.00.

Any applications for the Drumderg micro fund (for grants of £250 or lower) should be made through the Community Council.

6. Report from the Community Police.

Constable Watt stated that crime within the Mount Blair area was generally low. Thefts of diesel continued and there had been a number of caravan break-ins in Glenshee.

The community is encouraged to report any suspicious vehicles or individuals to the Police.

7 New Police VIP Informer System

M. Purdie informed the meeting that at present 22 households had registered with 18 further awaiting to be put on the system. There had been problems with a recent alert, and an investigation and further meetings are to take place to address the issues.

8. Report from Cllr Liz Grant

The SSE telegraph pole repositioning has been delayed again.

Whitefield View housing development is nearing completion.

School warning lights appear to be working satisfactorily.

Discussion around verge cutting has taken place and the community will be notified in advance of the cutting.

. Kirkmichael Car Park

Considerable discussions have taken place about the proposals and a site visit has taken place regarding concerns over the siting of the waste recycling facilities, and their proximity to one of the surrounding properties. Concerns had been raised regarding possible noise, litter, visual impact and access. Fiona Clark and Alex Young of Perth & Kinross Council Environment Services attempted to allay these fears. Cllr. Grant felt that, overall, alternative siting could not be achieved, but once installed a close eye would be kept on the facilities and any issues arising would be dealt with.

10. James Small Memorial Update

No further progress as yet. J. Manning to keep contacting the Council's Works Department.

11 Area Reports

Concerns remain over the landscaping around the new by-pass

Kirkmichael.

No news regarding the disabled access to the Sillerburn graveyard.

There is likely to be a Publicly Available toilet when the new owners of Kirkmichael Village Shop take over.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 14th September 2009 at 7:00pm in the Session House, Kirkmichael. All welcome.