

BLAIR ATHOLL AND STRUAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTE OF MEETING TUE 09//08/16 7.30 P. M
IN THE ARMOURY HALL, BLAIR ATHOLL

PRESENT Colin Ross (Chairman), Malcolm Dix (Treasurer), Rosalind Gray (Secretary), Nigel Wild (Minutes Secretary), Donald Isles, Stewart MacGlashan, Cllr Ian Campbell, Cllr Kate Howie, and 4 members of the public

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None

2 POLICE REPORT

There had been an instance of Card Skimming Device attached to an ATM in Pitlochry. The Bank had now placed an Anti Skimming device to the machine. It was thought Highland Perthshire was being targeted. Police are targeting ATMs with extra Patrols. These incidents are seldom reported to the police as the Banks quickly refund most customers. However if Shopkeeper or others notify any thing suspicious please contact Police on 101 or 999. Attempted Theft at Village Hall. Village Hall to improve Security. Horse Trials. Organisers to Notify Police and Forward Found property to police immediately.

3 MINUTES/ NOTES OF MEETING 14/06/16

Approved Proposed by Coin Ross Seconded by Ian Campbell

4 MATTERS ARISING

Calvine AED Power Supply P&K and SSE now had a better understanding of the low current required which should help solve the issue.
NHS Out of Hours Service. NHS has problems recruiting for rural areas. The group is to assist by promoting a Video to encourage recruitment. NHS will also provide an incentive for Dr's to train as GPs. There is no progress on the Out of Hours Report. KH to chase up.
Garry Bank Path Repairs Reported as being completed.
B A Sports Court Half had been cleaned and it was proposed to organise another work squad weekend to complete. The possible use of the community payback team was suggested. Also a maintenance rota will need to be organised.
CC representative to Atholl Country life Museum Board of Trustees. Approached person declined.

5 COMPLAINT ABOUT NOISE FROM FOOD IN THE PARK

NB CC was never involved or consulted over permission for this event. But did not raise any objections when we heard about it. Likewise Land Owner Atholl Estates. However all relevant permissions had been obtained.

A resident of the River Tilt Park just across the river from the event complained about the noise and that it was being repeated on a number of occasions. The Business owner replied that Music would only be played on published dates up to the end of the Horse Trials. He would also look at improving Sound Proofing. Another member of the Public welcomed the Initiative stating it was just what Blair Atholl needed. The sound level recorded at the River Tilt Park reception was only 68DB.

5A RIVER TILT BANK EROSION

Atholl estates would commission the repair works although they are not responsible for them. They will pay half of the cost and aim to re-coop the other half from the Land owner and/or Community Resilience Fund.

This fund would need to be created and would aim to be a long term project not just for this incident. The fund could be part of the CC or "The Initiative". There is a need to set up a subcommittee to come up with clear aims before the fund could be created and managed. The CC could possibly contribute some of the small funds it had available for distribution. CR and SMacG Would produce proposals to be discussed at next CC meeting and "The Initiative" AGM on 21st September. 2016.

5B TRANSPORT SURVEY

The number of replies received was disappointing at only 31 and 3 offers of help. All comments were general about lack of Transport.

6 ACTION PLAN REVIEW

BA Village Hall – A new Community based Company “Limited by Guarantee”, has been set up and application made for charitable status. The aim is for this company to take over the ownership of the hall.

7 HPCP UPDATE

Broadband P & KC had instructed HPCP to get rid of all staff and the project is bring run by 6 volunteers

HPCP has had all public funding withdrawn and will be run by volunteers who will have to raise their own funding.

8 CALVINE IMPROVEMENTS

SMacG would have a meeting with Atholl Estates and CNPA. P& K have confirmed that Flower Pots in Struan School ground can be relocated and maintained by volunteers.

9 COMMUNITY PLANNING MEETING REPORT SMacG.

The Report by P&K officials is due in October.

10 GARRYSIDE FLOOD PREVENTION

A Garryside resident asked why no work had been done yet despite being promised by Atholl Estates before winter 2016/7.

Atholl Estates are commissioning Consultants to draw up a long term plan to prevent future flooding but it could not be progressed this year due to obtaining various permissions, Flood prevention Kits (Door Barriers) had been sourced by Atholl Estates and funded by P & K. These are not permanent fixture and would be installed by Atholl Estates when there is a risk of flooding. It was pointed out that river levels have been very high again recently.

17 houses at Garryside and others were at risk but were not included in the Tay Flood prevention plan. This was thought to be because the plan was produced using very old data. DI had written to Dr Mc Millan of PkC on 11/01/16 advising her of this issue and again on 01/06/16.

11 CNPA PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2017-22 CONSULTATION KH

Kate Howie introduced the CNPA Partnership Plan 2017 -2022 Consultation document “THE BIG 9” The consultation is open from 27/06/16 -30/09/17 see www.cairngorms.co.uk CC to discuss proposals for reply at meeting on 13/09/16. CNPA are obtaining funds for footpath repairs to Beinn Ghlo.

12 FINANCE

ICO Registration Holder. Malcolm Dix will take over as Contact and arrange registration. The Licence fee has already been received from PKC.

13 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Community Choices Fund - participatory budgeting - deadline missed
CNPA housing conference 20.09.16 KH will be attending .There is only 1 proposed site for Housing in Blair Atholl which is the Goods Yard.
Scottish Government enterprise and Skills Review
Land Use Strategy Stakeholder Review
Scottish Resilient Communities Conference 07.10.16. DI and SMacG to attend
CNPA Moorland and Deer Management Consultation

A9 Dualling: report on public consultation. See website Just a list of points raised
Very small print and difficult to read. Next Stage is Stage 3.

14 AOCB SMacG had reported erosion of the Bank of the river Garry close to the A9 to
Transport Scotland but had not received a reply.

D I will apply for funding for a generator for the Village Hall.

A telecommunications mast was proposed near to the A9 at Bruar this is welcomed.

Pavement outside Village Hall still not repaired by Scottish Water. To be chased up.

The Square. The area was planted by the council but no maintenance had been planned by
them. It is very weedy. Responsibility is landowners i.e. Council or Atholl Estates. Repairs to new
walls and ground flooding to be fixed by contractor who did the work.

Network Rail has removed the Gravel from their temporary work site, but left it muddy and
uneven. To be reseeded. There is Hog weed by the Sports Court.

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING TUE 13/09/16 7.30 P.M. STRUAN KIRK