

BLAIR ATHOLL & STRUAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING TUESDAY 10/11/15 AT THE ARMOURY HALL BLAIR ATHOLL FOLLOWING E.G.M

PRESENT Donald Isles (Chair), Rosalind Gray, Stewart MacGlashan, Colin Ross, Nigel Wild, Cllr I Campbell, Cllr K Howie and 7 members of the public.

APOLOGIES Malcolm Dix, Cllr M Williamson, A Gordon, Mary Fraser, Lee Haxton (CNPA)

MINUTES OF MEETING 13/10/15 APPROVED

MATTERS ARISING

Calvine Defibrillator Now operational and available 24 hours a day in village centre
Still need to connect Heater.

Blair Atholl Defibrillator. Still need to connect Heater

Defibrillator Training. Trying to arrange sessions in Calvine & BA.

Community Resilience. Need to add Nursing Mothers as an at risk group. These would be identified by health service or local contacts as they will change with time.

Get a Statement of Intent from SSE re Emergency Supply.

Generators likely to be attached to Substation rather than village hall but cover Hall.

Winter preparedness campaign underway

A9 Update. Next round of displays /meetings would be in the spring after further design Work undertaken

Additional Library Stops. Members of the public welcomed the extra mobile library stops

Wireless Broadband Struan. Some people had been connected but delays caused by engineer being ill and funding problems as state was not allowed to fund competition to BT and BT kept changing WHITE SPOT MAPS

Guttering over Cash Machine. Trying to get both property owners together to agree solution.

Railway Bridge Renovation should now be complete in mid December. It was pointed out there is erosion occurring to Footpath under bridge making it difficult to get up and down. DI to speak to NR.

Village Improvement works. Repairs will be carried out to secure coping stones in front of old PO and pointing repairs to be carried out to walls at the Square.

Calvine Village Improvements. Villagers had had a positive meeting with Jenny Williams from GreenSpace.

COMMUNITY WAY FORWARD. DI provided an update.

Surgery users group now set up. Any one interested please contact DI.

Station Road Resurfacing funding rejected by TCCCF.

A public meeting about NHS Out of Hours Care Provision will be held at Ballinluig Hall on WEDNESDAY 9 DECEMBER AT 7.30 P.M. with Bill Nicoll and Dr Jane Bruce.

Village Hall. A new charity to be set up which will be a membership organization, to own the hall to allow Grant Funding to applied for.

The Highland Line Community Rail Partnership had been launched on Monday 9/11/15.

Its main objectives are to make improvements to Stations. A new door had been fitted to Blair Atholl Platform 2 Northbound Waiting Room and it was hoped to improve heating and lighting.

FINANCE. Treasurers A/C £640 including £294.42 Admin Grant received from P & K.16/10/15. Reserve A/C £1652.41. Agreed to pay Struan Kirk up to £20 per meeting for use of premises.

UPDATES P & K Libraries and Museums will be transferred to new Cultural Trust. This will only run Ex P & K establishments but will help and advise others as now.

BUS AND TRAIN SERVICES. CONSIDERABLE CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE WITHDRAWAL BY CITYLINK OF MOST COACH SERVICES SERVING BLAIR ATHOLL & HOUSE OF BRUAR FROM 23RD NOVEMBER 2015.

DI had written to Scottish City link., Andrew Warrington P&K, and Councillors and MSPs expressing strong concern. This will increase car use contrary to stated government aims, and considerably reduce accessibility for residents and tourists. DI will also Atholl Estates and SMcG will contact Hose of Bruar.

It was proposed to call a special meeting to discuss this issue but it would have to be properly prepared for possibly by carrying out a Transport needs Survey. Stewart MacGlashan, Donald Isles, Rosalind Gray, Ron Greer and Georgina Farron would all assist with this project.

AOCB

A member of the public had raised the issue of Road Markings worn off at Glen Fender Road Junction and also Old Bridge of Tilt causing a Road Safety Hazard. P&K had been contacted by DI who will re instate next time the Road Marking Crew is in the area.

Poor condition of road at rear of garage. This is a non adopted road so is the responsibility of the Land owners. DI to approach garage.

Trees at back of Bank House will be taken down by the Initiative.

The road bridge at Old Struan dating from 1766 had been further damaged. P & K to examine.

Non-motorised user route from Garry Bank to Old Struan had been walked and was reasonably intact and accessible but could be affected by A9 Works.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2015 AT 7.30P.M AT THE ARMOURY HALL BLAIR ATHOLL