

# Spittalfield & District Community Council

## Minutes of meeting at Murthly Hall 15<sup>th</sup> June 2011

- Present: Barbara Vaughan, Alasdair Wylie, Roddy McInnes (chair), Graham Reid, Jean Rae, Chic Fleming, Anton Edwards, two police and three public.
- Apologies: Hazel Robertson & Scott Tod, Margaret Edwards
- The police report was received in writing from Sergeant Andy Ness at Pitlochry and verbally from the local representative; it dealt with transforming Tayside: budget restraints; some inevitable administrative changes to the service.
- An internet scam offering to rectify broadband problems is fraudulent; some local horses have been assaulted by mane cutting; fraudulent drive-tarmacing incidents have been reported. Other minor thefts have been occurring.

**Be Vigilant & Stop Crime:** if in doubt call police on **0300 111 2222**

- The minutes of meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011 were adopted (proposed GR & seconded CF)
- Matters arising from minutes; speed limit moves in Manse Road in Caputh are planned but public concern was expressed about the slowness of the changes. **AE** will write to John Kellas as convenor of the roads committee to ask for earliest resolution of the matter and to invite him to contact David Hayes for a meeting with affected residents. A holding reply has been received from the roads department to our letter about the recent installation of a speed hump at Stanley.
- Councillors' reports: AW reported on a SCARF initiative for energy saving to be advertised locally. BV reported on the recent introduction of a limited Stagecoach bus service that is interfering with the regular but slightly later Smiths Buses morning service. PKC will press Stagecoach for clarification of this undesirable early morning competition.
- Area reports. Meikleour: Lethendy road has been repaired; CF has asked PKC to see to pavement & the hedge (in hand; see last minutes). Spittalfield: Wednesday bins are now to be collected on Sundays. Caputh: speed limits as above, trivial theft of white stones, disappearance of informal road signs and gale damage to the graveyard were all noted.
- Speed limits west of Spittalfield – nothing to report.
- TAYplan Development Plan report on a public meeting at Forfar was received from Lesley Sibbald & David Hayes.
- The TAYplan was summarized by BV – it is strategic plan for consultation by August 1<sup>st</sup> 2011. It is understood that the more detailed draft local plan will be for consultation next year. There was discussion about school demographics as a factor favouring moderate local development. **AE** will write to express our opinion that development should be sensitive, moderate, in proportion to village sizes, and in appropriate places.
- **AE** will write to accept an offer of a waste presentation at one of our forthcoming meetings.
- Any Other Business
  - Convention of Perth and Kinross Community Councils Survey has been circulated
  - Islay Bridge at Kinclaven – traffic lights have been installed.
- Date of next meeting: 14th September Meikleour 7.30 p.m.