

Spittalfield & District Community Council

Minutes of Extraordinary General Meeting, Clunie 16-11-2011

Present: Barbara Vaughan, Alasdair Wylie, John Kellas, Roddy McInnes, Anton Edwards, James McIntosh, Graham Juggins, Hazel Robertson (retiring), Scott Tod (retiring) & 3 members of the public

Barbara Vaughan welcomed all present and the new community council members.

Apologies: Jean Rae

Roddy McInnes was elected as chairman (prop AE sec GJ) and took the chair. He welcomed all and gave particular thanks to those previous councillors who have stepped down from membership. Graham Juggins was elected as Vice-Chairman (prop RMcl sec AE). Anton Edwards was elected as secretary (prop RMcl sec GJ). James McIntosh was elected treasurer (prop RMcl sec GJ).

Data Controller: It was agreed that for the purposes of the *Data Protection Act 1998*, the secretary should continue to act as Data Controller (prop RMcl sec JMcl).

It was agreed to adopt the **Constitution, Standing Orders and Code of Conduct** for Community Councillors as intimated by Perth & Kinross Council in its letter of 10 October 2011. The Constitution was signed by RMcl, GG & JMcl and **AE** will send it to the Community Councils' Liaison Officer.

The current financial position was outlined by Scott Tod: our bank has computer problems and statements are promised very soon. In summary, the balance on 9th Sept 2011 was £1254.49. **ST** will pass the paper work and bank contact details to the new treasurer **JMcl** as soon as possible.

Dates of the next meetings in 2012 were agreed (at 7.30 p.m.) as: Spittalfield 22 Feb; Caputh 11 April, Murthly 20 June, Meikleour 12 September.

Members were invited to let PKC know their training needs. **AE** will collate needs and send to Brenda Lackie at PKC. Those mentioned were *infrastructure, planning and who is responsible for various aspects*.

The police report from Sergeant Nikky Forrester was welcomed, read and discussed. Concern was expressed about slow police reaction to public reports to them of bogus callers, possibly "dead" neighbours and shooting activity at the Loch of Lowes. It was felt that members of the public who raised matters with the police would be encouraged by more feedback. **AE** will include the police phone number **0300 111 2222** in minutes. It was felt that new community police notices for village noticeboards would be helpful. **AE** will bring these matters to police attention.

Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read and adopted (prop HR sec RMcl).

Matters arising: the carbon dioxide pipeline scheme is stopped. A local SCARF Insulation scheme is under way. **AE** will deal with outstanding matters. SDCC has submitted an objection to Dulater Hill meteorological mast proposal. Speed limit changes on the A984 at Blinkbonnie are being considered, with support from BV.

Councillors' Reports

JK – PKC has proposed that that Perth City Hall should go. Improved snow ploughs are available. Stanley Trust has been set up. Bankfoot CC is trying to get more social activities and to improve local services.

AW – The PKC Housing and Health Strategy now projects local housing needs and aims to improve housing quality generally (as in energy efficiency for example). **AW** will forward details.

BV – Winter preparations: SDCC responded to a consultation but there is still time to ask for improved grit bins; A984 has some - although not the highest - priority for snow clearing. The car park in Caputh Bridge Road is now done. Concern was expressed about the A984 surface and frequent damaging potholes (AW and JK have reported that the road may be improved next year). The public is strongly encouraged to report all road faults as soon as possible to **01738 475000** or to use www.fixmystreet.com.

Area reports

Spittalfield and Murthly both need another representative on the community council.

Murthly: we have had no representations about the current restaurant application.

Caputh: a wind-damaged wall in the graveyard has been very well repaired. Bridge Road parking is finished. 30 and 40 speed limit changes in Manse Road and on the A984 are in hand. Spillages on the Blinkbonnie bends may sometimes be diesel spills from vehicles; **JK** will look into improved signage here.

Meikleour: The road markings at the cross roads and a kerb have been repaired.

Clunie: some potholes need attention; **RMcl** will check.

Correspondence was summarised. **AE** will invite Erin Scott to speak to us on waste in April and Claire Jack on the work of the Flood Forum in February.

Other Competent Business: **GJ** advocated a web page and will look into the options to make one, including any support from the PKC CC Liaison Officer. JK reported a Perthshire online TV service that might be used to advertise initiatives. Clunie Hall Xmas party was mentioned for 9 Dec, £7 per ticket from Gordon Howe.

Date of Next Meeting (22 Feb 2012 Spittalfield Village Hall 7.30 p.m.)

Police Contact: 0300 111 2222

Roads Contact: 01738 475 000

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Chair:	Roddy McInnes
Meikleour:	Graham Juggins (Vice-chair)
Spittalfield & Glendelvine:	James McIntosh (Treasurer) & Vacancy
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Murthly:	Jean Rae & Vacancy

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