STANLEY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of 27th Meeting
Held on 14th May 2019 in Stanley
Village Hall at 7:00 pm

Present: W. Reiche (Chairman)
P. Mackie (Vice Chairman)
E. Stobbie
D. Ross
C. Smith

Cllr G. Laing
Cllr A. Jarvis

1. Members of the public: 6

2. Apologies: Cllr I James, K. McKeown, N. Greschuk,

3. Opening Remarks by Chairman:

W. Reiche welcomed everyone to the meeting.

4. Minutes of meeting held on 9. 4.19:

These were adopted and proposed by W. Reiche and seconded by P. Mackie

5. Matters arising:

Strathord Park:
Only 6 houses are left to be built
Bat and swift boxes have been installed
The flooding at the entrance – there appears to have been no movement on rectifying the issue. To be monitored and, if necessary, a further letter will be sent to Perth & Kinross Council (PKC).

Roads:
A meeting was held with the police and PKC to discuss road and road safety issues.
It was agreed to carry out speed monitoring on the stretch of Perth Road to Summerhill.
Parking issues – the police are not the enforcing authority for parking unless a vehicle is causing an obstruction. The responsibility lies with PKC.
The bad corner on Perth Road: - the Community Council will draw together a reasoned argument, including a traffic count, and present this to PKC in the hope that action will be taken.

A9 Dualling
Balfour Beatty has indicated that as the A9 dualling work is running slightly behind schedule and the meeting of the Community Council Forum for this month has been cancelled

Dog Fouling

Stanley Primary school has agreed to take part in a painting competition to design a poster to highlight the dog fouling problem in the village. P. Mackie has donated prizes for the winning painting in each category

6. Police:

Police ask that anything suspicious is reported to them – they would rather deal with a false alarm with good intent than a crime.

Fuel has been syphoned from a LGV and owners are asked to be vigilant

A nail gun was reported missing from one of the local building sites but may actually have been misplaced

There have been a number of break-ins in the surrounding area including one in James Place. Police suspect it is a professional gang and police continue to investigate.

In respect of the problems on Linn Road and at the Linn: -

The police led a multi-agency group to seek a solution to the anti-social behaviour, parking and access problems.

The following actions were agreed in principle: -

- Improved signage will be placed by the Council at the start of Linn Road and at intervals along the length of the Road reminding drivers that Emergency Vehicle Access is required at all times and the offence of obstructing the road. A sign will be placed at the start of the road to indicate that there is no facility to turn or park
- The Council will review the passing places along the road and either widen them or mark them as designated passing places, prohibiting parking.
- The Council will begin the legal process of restricting parking along Linn Road by use of Double-yellow lines to be painted along both sides of Road – This is a long process and will not be in place in the short term.
- Police and safer Communities teams will increase patrols around Stanley Beach and Campsie Linn to deter and disrupt anti-social behaviour.
- Safer Communities teams will conduct a leaflet drop to provide residents with information regarding the Anti- Social element of the behaviour ongoing. They may also be able to provide unpaid work teams to facilitate litter picking across the beach to improve the general amenity of the area. Signage will be placed by the Safer Communities Team with a contact number for the Community Wardens to encourage the public to ring in if there is a youth problem or litter issue.
- The Council Greenspace/Rangers Service will broadcast Social Media Messages encouraging responsible land access and educating those attending to use the beach about their obligations to do so responsibly.
- During the meeting, it was established that there is no water rescue equipment available at locus. Immediately following the meeting, SFRS and the Safer Communities team installed a throwline at the gate to the beach. Enquiry is ongoing with a view to installing further rescue/safety equipment, but this requires landowner consent.
- More frequent cutting of the verge to allow motorists to see the verge edge

The police also suggested that any large groups of youths heading towards the Linn be reported – the more calls the better response time.

7. Secretary's Expenses: Nil

8. Planning Applications:

A decision has been deferred on the planning review for the proposed cider farm development at Gowrie Farm until PKC officials visit the site.

9. Report from Stanley Development Trust:

PKC is to continue funding for the care & wellbeing project
There are 40 regular attenders at the Lunch Club
The Stanley Directory has been printed
An architect has been appointed to produce plans for the community hub

The development of the cycle path continues and it is hoped to get agreement from outstanding landowners The SDT has been to the primary schools to tell them about the path
An event featuring Dr Bike, from the Bike Station in the Old High Street Perth, has been organised – people are invited to bring their bikes along for a bike health check
Please see adjoining notices on board.

10. West Stormont Woodland Group.

An update was read out by the Chairman and updated by Elspeth Coutts with a reminder that new members will be welcome see membership scheme on website www.westormentwoodlandgroup.org.uk or email:
contact@westormontwoodlandgroup.org.uk
Please see adjoining notice on board.

11. Letters / Brochures:

The Honours List:
There are two honours rounds each year at New Year and The Queen's Birthday. The Honours system is inclusive of all UK residents active in their fields of interest. The Protocol and Honours team are eager to receive nominations for ethnic, disabled or female candidates for all levels of award.
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www.gov.uk/honours

12. A.O.C.B.

13. Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 11th June 2019 at 7:00pm in the village Hall.

14. Meeting closed: 8.40pm