STANLEY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of 15th Meeting
Held on 8th May 2018 in Stanley
Village Hall at 7:00 pm

Present: W. Reiche Chairman
P. Mackie Vice Chairman
K. McKeown Secretary
N. Greschuk Treasurer
E. Stobie

Clr. I. James. Clr. G. Laing. Clr. A. Jarvis

1. Members of the public: 10

2. Apologies: D. Ross

3. Opening Remarks by Chairman:

W. Reiche welcomed everyone to the meeting

4. Minutes of meeting held on 10.04.18:

These were adopted and proposed by E. Stobie and seconded by N. Greschuk

5. Matters arising:

Strathord Park:
Phase 2 - It was hoped that this phase would carry straight on as a matter of logistics, however final planning permission has not been granted at this time. The Local Authorities are awaiting signed agreements under Section 75 of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

Telephone Mast:
The developers appeal to the Directorate of Planning and Environmental Appeals on PKC's planning refusal has been turned down.
The Community Council will still offer to work with the developer's agent to help find an appropriate site that would be acceptable to the community. So far there has been no communication from the agent.

North Range East Office (former N-Power Office) Stanley Mills:
The CC have been informed that the correct name for the former N-Power Office at Stanley Mill is "North Range East Office (former N-Power Office) Stanley Mills" all future references to the building will use this name.
The CC has held meetings with Historic Environment Scotland (HES) to put forward a plan for a cookery training establishment and café in North Range East Office (former N-Power Office) at Stanley Mills, this would be of benefit to the community as a whole and groups within the community. The CC is still awaiting confirmation from Historic Environment Scotland (HES) that the plans are acceptable to them until that happens no more can be done the CC will keep the community appraised of the situation.

Police Office:
The Police office in the village is one of the offices listed for closure. Consultation with the public is taking place regarding Police Office closures including the Stanley Police Office. The information received by the CC stated that the consultation period will run until 31st December 2018 however contrary to this Clr Jarvis stated that information received by her indicated that consultation period ended in December 2017. The CC will seek to clarify this.

Roads:
The CC reported to PKC issues relating to persistent flooding on Linn Road Stanley. As a result PKC have asked Muir Holmes to clean up the road and ensure that measures to prevent run-off are maintained they have also requested the Roads Network Team for information and assessment of flooding on the Linn Road which seems to be caused by run of water from the site and a blocked drainage ditch adjacent to the Muir Homes site.

Road safety signage should have been erected on the Linn Road down to Burnmouth. These have yet to appear, Clr. G. Laing will look into this.

6. Police:

Police Scotland did not attend the meeting. The main points from the police reports are beware of doorstep crime and bogus callers.
There was a reminder about staying safe and being aware of fraudsters and current scams especially by telephone and internet. Also a reminder to keep homes, oil tanks and vehicles secure.
Guidance on how to protect your property is available via Community Watch.

Anyone with information about any of the above are asked to get in touch with Police Scotland either by calling 101 or via the Police Scotland website.

7. Secretary's Expenses:

Nil.

8. Planning Applications:

Planning Ref:18/00229/FLL
Formation of a sales area including the siting of a sales reception building and 6 holiday accommodation show units for a temporary period, alterations to vehicular access, landscaping and associated works. Planning permission has been refused.

9. Report from Stanley Development Trust:

Litter pick with carried out on 20th April, the next one will be on a Saturday in June, all welcome.
Shiel Hill path stainless steel artwork for cairn is now complete and cobbles fitted around cairn. Next planned work day will be Saturday 19th May at 10am, all welcome.

Luncarty-Stanley cycle path /core path route STAN 117, three representatives of SDT path group met with the new owner of Gowrie quarry for a productive discussion about routes.
Positive meetings have been held with the contractors tendering for the A9 dualling re-community benefits.
Saving Scotland's red squirrels, public meeting in Stanley Village Hall Wed 16th May 2018 7pm all welcome.
Stanley Diaspora Tapestry meetings organised at Timebank drop in has generated a good amount of community interest.
Welcome pack delivered to all the Muir Homes, Stanley Community Directory, Paths and Places around Stanley, Healthy Activities in Stanley leaflet etc.

10. Letters / Brochures:

A poster has been placed in the CC notice board to invite you to learn about red squirrel ecology.

Consultations

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service are seeking views on a proposed £15.5 million transformation
http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/transformation/public-consulatation.aspx
email to: SFRS.Transformation@firescotland.gov.uk

Scottish Water are seeking views on their transformation in Shaping the Future.
The consultation can be completed online at: **www.yourwater.scot**

11. A.O.C.B.

If anyone has any concerns e.g. Grit bins needing replenished, street lighting, Pot Holes etc, please contact 01738 475000 or customercomplaints@pkv.gov.uk

It was suggested at the meeting by Clr Laing that some of the grit bins in the village have been handed over to the Emergency Resilience Group the CC were unaware of this and will try and establish if this is the case.

Manse Crescent

Residents have asked if anything can be done to alleviate a parking problem in Manse crescent. They state that inappropriate vehicle parking is a major issue causing danger to children playing and causing restrictions for access by emergency vehicles and in some instances inappropriate parking is blocking disabled access. They have asked if the grass area at each end of the existing parking bays could be extended to create additional parking spaces. Clr Laing suggested requesting help from PKC as an EBI proposal. W. Reiche is going to look into this.

12. Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 12th June 2018 at 7:00pm in the village Hall.

13. Meeting closed: 8.20pm