

Monikie and Newbigging Community Council

Minutes of Meeting 1st March 2017

Apologies

Bob Ness, Caroline Richmond.

Members Present

Iain Richmond, Betty Winslow, George Winslow, Hamish Evatt, Cllr. Brian Boyd, Cllr. David Cheape, Cllr. Bill Bowles, David Anderson and Jim Marshall.

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 1st February were read and agreed.

Defibrillators.

Mr. Bill Spence (St John's, Scotland) gave a very interesting and comprehensive presentation about the capabilities of defibrillators. He also outlined the various options for funding these instruments. The Community Council recognised the need for two defibrillators to serve both Newbigging and Monikie. Investigation as to the opportunities available for funding would need to be identified and considered. Following questions and answers, Bill was thanked for his efforts.

Police Liaison

There was no representative at the meeting from Police Scotland. The members of the Community Council recognised that operational requirements must have precedence.

Councillors Questions and Answers.

Brian had contacted Angus Council regarding the timing of the activation sequences for the speed warning signs outside Newbigging Primary School and had been reassured that the matter had been resolved. Members of the Community Council believed that the problem still existed. Brian agreed to pursue this matter further.

Brian had been unable to contact the group of volunteers (Men's Shed) who manufacture wooden tubs, to see if they can assist us in the improvement of our surroundings. Hamish advised the meeting that Dobbies had agreed to supply plants for the tubs.

Planning Report.

Field North Of No 10 Hillhead Road West, Monikie.

Erection of Dwellinghouse.

Following a letter of objection being lodged by George on behalf of the Community Council, the response did raise concerns as to the assertions made by the Planning Department at Angus Council. It was decided, however, to await the result of the planning decision before any further action be considered.

Actions from last meeting.

Newbigging Representatives

No further progress at this time. Iain to post on Facebook.

Newsletter

Hamish advised that work was progressing with the Newsletter. He also circulated to members a letter introducing the Newsletter which will be distributed to relevant organisations inviting their contributions. It was also agreed that thanks should be included in the Newsletter towards those people who already play an active part in improving the environment. It was also felt that this may help engender more community involvement in the villages.

Monikie/Crombie Core Path

Iain agreed to contact landowners associated with the proposed path to see if there were any objections.

Bus Shelter.

Estimates for repair and shifting of the bus shelter were to be acquired. Iain to progress.

High Trees.

Jim had printed copies of the response from Angus Council regarding the method expected to initiate formal action, together with the hurdles and interpretations for the implementation of the Act. This, with an accompanying letter, was ready for distribution. However, Iain provided a copy of a letter from a legal representative on behalf of a household which questioned the basis of the Council's interpretation of the Act and also the constraints associated. It was agreed to await a response from Angus Council before progressing this matter.

Secretary's Report.

There was nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report.

Hamish reported that the current balance stood at £621

A.O.C.B.

There was no additional business raised.

Date of Next Meeting:

Wednesday 5th April at 7pm.