

Minutes of Tynron Community Council meeting held on 19 July, 2010.

Present: Colin, Sue, George, Alec, Rona, and about 15 members of the public. It is thought that this unusually high attendance was due to the email Sue had sent out to indicate that the meeting would be brought forward by a week earlier than usual. This suggests that it might be good in future to circulate agenda and minutes by email as well as via the noticeboard.

Apologies: Eunice, Bryan. Jan sent in her resignation.

Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting was proposed by Rona and seconded by George.

Clarification of meeting procedures: postponed until the next meeting

Police matters: in Scott McDowall's absence, Bruce Robison spoke on the Police Force's Operation Patriot, targeting under-age drinkers; on another police initiative targeting antisocial behaviour as a result of adult drinking; and on a national (Scottish) initiative on drinkdriving and seatbelts during the month of July. He reiterated that crime was low in Tynron and had nothing specific to report for the area. He reminded the meeting of the need to be vigilant about property, particularly cycles, during the holiday season.

Rorison planning application: various members of the meeting gathered round to inspect the plans showing the new proposed location for the Rorisons' house. Everybody expressed approval of the choice.

Committee posts (Treasurer and Secretary): Three people had been proposed to come on the committee: Calum Osborne, Hugh Wright and Elaine McCann, two of whom (Calum and Elaine) had expressed a willingness to be Treasurer. It was agreed that we would need to make sure that Calum would have enough time for this post. Alastair asked why people who were already on the Committee were not putting themselves forward for the vacant functional posts. It transpired that the members without functional posts were not happy to do so for various reasons. It was agreed that as 3 members of the committee have resigned, it would be expedient to replace them with the suggested people, knowing that between them they comprise the skills necessary to take on the posts of Secretary and Treasurer. How these posts are then allotted will be a matter for the committee to decide.

Matters arising from last meeting:

1. Bench: will be chained down. **Action: Colin and Terry**
2. Drains: the sucking machine had not been effective, and George had contacted Dave Allan who will send a man with a pick and a shovel to sort out old and new drains.

Fun Day: will take place 2-6pm. The bouncy castle will arrive 11am. Tom's field will be used if has managed to get hay off it; otherwise Colin's or Madge's. **Helen and Colin Maxwell will lend their gazebo. Colin and Bryan will get goals from school. Food: Terry will provide barbecue equipment even if he cannot attend. Phil to get burgers.** Games will include sack race, egg&spoon race. **Rona will make a poster.** If wet, the event will be in the hall. Nobody applied for funding this year. Rona suggested a further short meeting to finalise arrangements on Monday 6 August, 7.30pm.

Hall Matters: Sue said that 29% of households had been represented at the Ideas for the Hall Day. Many suggestions had come from it and these would be written up shortly. She also said it had been pointed out that it might be better to wait until after the Olympics before applying for funding. Phil reported that Margaret Irving's July teas were under way and had made approximately £200 so far. Regular hall events would restart in the autumn. He suggested we make an application for funding from the Village Halls Improvement Scheme next February.

Secretary's Report: none, in the absence of a Secretary; Colin knew of no urgent correspondence. Alastair confirmed that all correspondence coming to Jan would be passed to Colin.

Treasurer's Report: likewise, none.

AOCB:

1. There was some comment on the renewal of timber extraction down the glen road. Frank commented that with 17.5 thousand tonnes to come out the flow was likely to be constant. Some drivers have caused local cars to leave the road. This topic will be an item for the next meeting, to which Colin will invite Nick Dowdell.
2. Christopher asked about the consultation on the state of the roads in winter. George replied that the confederation of community council meets next on 9 September at which there will be a report on their consultation exercise. It was also confirmed to Christopher that Jane Blair was dealing with the request for a photograph of the Cottier window.
3. Hugh pointed out that the roadsides have not yet been cut this summer: Colin will contact Dave Allan to arrange this.