

Minutes 87 Tynron Community Council 26th March 2018

Present- Sue King-Smith, Keith Lewis, Linda McDonald, Mary Newbould, George Freeborn, Sue Hall, Sophie Armstrong, Richard Reid & Nick Dowdell (Scottish Woodlands), Graham Chalk (Tillhill) and Lee Smith (Police)

1.Apologies- None

2.Approval of minutes meeting 22nd Jan 2108-Proposed- Linda, Seconded- Sue H

3.Police matters

Community members raised the issue of potholes on the roads-unfortunately they are not police responsibility, so PC Smith was unable to help. Committee members confirmed however repairs are due to commence next week.

Dog fowling- ongoing

Suspicious vehicles

Fox hunting was raised in conversation following a hunt up Scaur glen one Sunday morning. Concerns were raised as residents were un aware it was happening- should notice be given? It was on a Sunday-are there any restrictions on time/day of the week? PC Smith will follow up on this.

4.Forestry issues

a) Forestry extraction at Appin

Nick reported there are 85 hectares left to fell at Appin. He gave a map of the area to show which sites are due to be felled when and how much is being extracted-

2018- 24.09ha- 8672 tonnes

2019-31.42ha- 11311 tonnes

2020-15ha- 5400 tonnes

2021 16.76ha- 6043 tonnes

2022-19.88ha- 7157 tonnes

As a comparison Stenhouse is 116ha due to commence felling in summer 2018 and Pinzarie has 136ha due to come out 2019/20.

Huge concerns were raised again over the condition of the roads with just the current timber traffic never mind when the other sites start felling as well. James England timber transport, MP's and MSP's all to be contacted regarding the roads. [Sue/Linda](#)

Nick Dowdell is retiring and will be replaced by Richard Reid as of next week.

b) Cormilligan- new planting proposals

Graham Chalk from Tillhill brought maps showing the proposed area to be planted at the Cormilligan site. He stressed it was very early stages, the plans have not yet been submitted to the Forestry commission for approval. The plans however seemed very detailed, he confirmed numerous tests, studies and surveys have been undertaken on the site to gather all manner of information.

Committee members wondered if the studies were available to see? Environmental impact study for example.

Mr Chalk made a point of saying the land owner contacted the forestry regarding the site as a possible plantation-this is unusual.

Mr Chalk's purpose of attending the meeting was to gather general information and feelings from the community on the proposed plans and it's safe to say not many were positive! Foremost the unsuitability of the Strathmilligan road however there were many more. All concerns are to be written up and sent to Mr Chalk and/or the Forestry Commission in the next 2-3weeks. The Community Council will send their concerns, but individuals are to do so as well. [Linda to action](#)

The community's right to buy was mentioned a few times during the conversation. Is this actually possible?

5.Matters arising

a) Planning

Our comments on the proposed plans at Kirkland are now correct on the website and Linda's name removed.

b) Community resilience

The river sensor has now installed beside the Garth as an internet connection was required. Linda will send the link on the grapevine for people look at the information it is bringing in.

The meeting with the Director of Communities was a success. They seemed very impressed with all the work done by the team- big thanks to CR Team.

Flyer and card have now been handed out to all households in the community. Unfortunately, no new volunteers have come forward at this point.

6.Community councillor vacancy

Still looking for another member to join the community council.

7. Keir, Penpont, Tynron Joint Community Fund

Development Trust is now an official body Sue Ks has had email confirmation.

Run over of the jobs of both parties- **Joint community benefit fund**> to set up structure of fund-how it operates- 66.6% of wind farm money >fund. **Trust**> job to bid for grants- develop projects

The first project– to get broadband put into community halls.

8. Street lighting in Tynron village

The new street lights have been installed but some residents think they may in fact be brighter than the old ones! [Linda/Jackie to pursue.](#)

9.Secretary's report and correspondence

General data protection regulations- New laws regarding data protection will require us to review our information holding policy. Linda to be the official data protection officer.

Consultation on licencing policy- [Mary to respond if necessary](#)

Joseph Thompson group have sent a request for funding to repair damp problem within the property. They have a £600 quote to remove damage parts, point and damp seal area. £200 was agreed to give providing the other communities also donate to the cause. Discussion over projects like this being paid for by KPT.

10. Treasurer's report

Current bank balance is £19,424.21. There is £145 cash still to be paid in give a total of **£19,569.21**

Expenses since the last meeting-

- Refreshment cost for community event
- 2 x subsidy payments to the Parish Hall
- 2x payments for email hosting
- Annual ICO data protection payment
- Community resilience kit -slide hammer- TOTAL £508.30

Income since last report -TOTAL £0

Expenditure has therefore exceeded income in the last 2 months.

11. Hall matters

Money raised at Festive Feast.

The money that was raised as a result of the collection taken round the table as a tip for the waiting staff was kindly donated by Moya Flanagan to the MacMillan Cancer Charity. The total was £61.70.

Events since last report-

Crafternoons/Taster Sessions have been organised by Jill Burgess...so massive thanks to Jill for that

- Pottery & Beyond – 3rd and 24th February. Thanks to Jill for obtaining the grant from DG Unlimited
- Crochet tasters – 17th February and 24th March. Thanks to Sue Hall for leading the session
- Beginners Bridge – 17th March

Scottish Film Theme Night – 27th February. A great success. The film Whisky Galore was an excellent way of showing off the new audio-visual system – thanks to Steve and James for managing to get everything set up and working in time. Also, thanks to the chefs who provided the snacks.

Clothes Swap in aid of MOOL on 9th March– a private event organised by Linda, Sarah and Jill which was great fun as well as being a fund raiser.

Future Planned Events-

7th April Yoga Retreat day

7th April Argentine Tango Milonga (evening)

14th April Crochet Crafternoon

27th May – Spring Fling Weekend. Mini Craft Fair. Local crafts folk can contact Jill to book a stall. Light lunch/afternoon teas will be served too.

14th July – Pub Night. More details nearer the date

4 Sundays in October – Autumn Teas

More Crafternoons/Taster Sessions starting in Autumn. Please contact Jill if you would be interested in sharing a skill and running a session.

Regular events in the hall-

Tynron Scottish Women's Institute first Monday of every S

Water Colour Painting Blocks of eight sessions scheduled throughout the year on Tuesday afternoons

Cake and Ceilidh Club Every Tuesday evening between September and May

Margaret Morris Dance Blocks of 6-8 sessions scheduled on Wednesday midday throughout the year.

NEW BOOKING: **Tango Classes** – Beginners 6:30 to 7:30. More advanced 7:30 to 9:30

Tynron Carpet Bowls Finished for the Spring/Summer

Tynron Hall Committee & Tynron Resilience Team when required

Future Work:

Installation of audio visual kit

Proposal for double garage on the gable end of the building – estimates for base and actual garage. Still to approach planning re permissions.

Large cupboard walk-in cupboard on the stage – still planning

Resurfacing and proper drainage in the car park – gathering 3 quotes

12.AOCB

Plant swap- will now be arranged for September instead of June.

Website has been hacked- Mary requesting funding to sort problem and possibly re write.

Date of next meeting Monday 28th May 2018