

**TYNRON COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Approved Minutes 114**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 7.30 pm**

Held outdoors accordance with Covid restrictions

Present: Sue King-Smith (SKS) Chair; Mary Newbould (MN) Treasurer; Sue Hall (SH) Secretary; Linda MacDonald (LM); Keith Lewis (KL); Peigi Romano (PR); 1 Member of the Tynron community.

**1. Approval of TCC Minutes of meeting March15<sup>th</sup> 2021**

Proposed: MN Seconded: KL

**2. Matters arising**

Glass recycling bins – held over until the next meeting

**3. Police report**

No reports have been received from the Police

There are continuing concerns regarding reports of dog-napping in the areas. Dog owners are advised to be aware of this and contact the police if anyone sees anything suspicious.

**4. Treasurer's report**

**Expenses:**

- Email hosting for TCC and TynronHelp
- Monthly contribution to Hall running costs & maintenance
- Zoom – VC facility for CR & TCC meetings during lockdown (Covid DGC Grant Funding)
- Replacement CR Equipment & Batteries
- Defib Batteries

**Total Expenses:** £997.78

**Total Income:** £0

**Balance:**

Our current bank balance is:

Uncleared £3781.43

Cleared £3781.43

**Reserved Funding:**

- £546.38 – DGC Covid/CR grant (remainder of DGC Covid Grant)
- £455.15 – DGC Admin Grant (Gmail, zoom, general admin costs)

Considered Committed Funding at this time: £1001.53

Immediately Available reserves: £2779.90

**Total disposable income FY 2021/2022 £2779.90**

**5. Secretary's report**

**Volunteer & Activist Conference**

A conference (or gathering) aimed at 12-18 year olds in Dumfries and Galloway will take place in late October, looking for volunteers across D&G to get involved in the design (and for some, the delivery) of the event to work alongside the Youth Council, this is going to be no more than 1 hour per week as a commitment for the foreseeable future. It is anticipated that there will be a heavy focus on Environmental Issues & Climate Change this year too. The sign up link is at <https://forms.office.com/r/rnd5eCxGkX>

**6. Local planning matters**

No current planning matters required discussion.

**7. Update on timber traffic and forestry issues**

Scottish Woodlands (SW) have taken over Tilhill forestry activities in Shinnel Glen. SW will ensure Tilhill make good any outstanding repairs.

Action: MN to provide SKS with outstanding repairs

SW will use the same hauliers as Tilhill and so all drivers will be aware of speed and time restrictions in place.

**8. JCBF and KPT updates**

At the date of this meeting there had been no response to the suggestions for a clear arrangement of funds following any potential wind-up of JCBF.

LM/KL had raised the issues of limiting community donations to 50% of funds after ring fencing the ANCBC £2000pa out of accountable funds. This has yet to be discussed by Penpont and Keir CCs (at the date of this meeting).

The JCBF have agreed to fund the KPT Hub for 12 months.

The Penpont-Thornhill path is still progressing.

The hydro plant continues to generate electricity and funds for the community. Community volunteers have helped with tree planting and landscaping at the hydro.

The KPT 's Hub Café will open in the next few months.

Funding for CHAT (the group developing the Hub and café) has been granted by the JCBF

SKS will be involved in preparing and reporting on a community action plan.

**9. Recycling and new bins updates**

All of Tynron residences now have the new recycling bins. The bins in the Hall carpark are locked to stop fly tipping. The issue of glass recycling bins has been held over until the next meeting.

**10. Windfarm updates**

**Sanquhar II**

At a DPEA meeting held by Zoom on 20 April, a Public Inquiry will be held in October 2021. This will be either by Zoom or in person.

Six CCs have joined forces to be represented by Stop Sanquhar II (SS2), including Tynron.

SS2 have raised concerns about the possible impacts of Sanquhar II windfarm on private water supplies at Shinnelhead and Polskeoch.

CWL will provide further Additional Information regarding the impact of turbines on the view from more view points.

**Euchanhead**

60 letters of objection have been received and 1 letter of support

SEPA and Glasgow Prestwick Airport have objected; NatureScot (previously SNH) are concerned about visual impacts; Tynron, Glencairn and Carsphairn CCs have objected. There had been no response from D&GC at the date of this meeting.

**11. Roads and potholes in Tynron**

SKS has been in touch with DGC regarding the state of the roads in Tynron.

All pothole issues should be raised directly with D&GC - this can be done on line at

<https://info.dumgal.gov.uk/faultreporting/Road/Defect#>

This link will provide an interactive map with a drop down menu to select type of issue and a chance to further clarify any details. A Reference Number will be given to help follow up a complaint. If anyone is unsure of using this web link please contact a member of the TCC who will be able to help.

**12. AOCB**

MN raised the issue of affordable housing in Tynron. Important issues for the selection of a site would be likelihood of planning permission being granted, access to utilities, and access to the site. It was decided that a community open meeting(s) should be held to discuss this issue, held in accordance with

Covid restrictions in place at the time. Fliers and Grapevine communications should be circulated in the Tynron community to keep people informed of developments.

Action: MN to liaise with appropriate persons to inform of developments.

**13. *Date of next meeting***

19<sup>th</sup> July 2021, 7.30pm. Venue/format to be decided closer to the time in accordance with prevailing covid restrictions.