

# Tynron Community Council

## Approved Minutes 120

### Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2022

**Present:** Sue King-Smith (SKS) (Chair); Mary Newbould (MN) (Treasurer); Linda McDonald (LM); Keith Lewis (KL)

Members of the Tynron community

**Apologies:** Sue Hall (SH) (Secretary); Peigi Romano (PR)

#### 1. Approval of TCC Minutes from 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

*Proposed: KL Secoded: LM*

#### 2. Matters arising

None

#### 3. Police report

Nothing related to Tynron to report but it was noted that there has been a large increase in heating oil thefts in D & G. Police are advising residents to remain vigilant, report any suspicious behaviour and follow advice to use lockable gates, fit a fuel cap or alarm, install security lighting and cctv and carry out regular checks

A resident raised the issue of an increase in littering and dog fouling. PC Luke Leslie advised about reporting to D & G Council and said that occasional patrols by Police will be carried out and any offences dealt with. Another resident asked whether Police could support any application for better speed signage on the approach to the village. It was suggested that a way forward might be to arrange for speed tests to be carried out in the area for a month. PC Leslie said that he would be happy to add his opinion to any request the TCC makes to the local authority.

#### 4. Auchenbrack Forestry Creation

SKS reported that she had been in contact with the company involved in the proposal to create a commercial woodland. It was noted that there was likely to be no capacity for timber to come down the Glen road and the company were exploring the use of the Heads of the Valley route. It was suggested that the CC should explore the costs of employing an ecological consultant to look at the wider local situation and members should vote by email to either apply for funding for it or use CC monies. Also suggested that the CC should write to the Biosphere body to get support for an appeal.

**Actions: SKS to 1. contact an environmental consultant re costings 2. Investigate funding 3. Contact Biosphere 4. Possibly arrange a visit with the Company on site**

#### 5. Treasurer's report

*Expenses:*

- Communication: email & Zoom - £56.38
- Monthly contribution to Hall running costs & maintenance - £400
- Additional Bench - £418.80
- Grants to local organisations - £500.00
- ICO - £35.00
- Manse Road mirror - £185.64

Total Expenses      £1595.82

*Income:*

- ANCBC Annual Grant

Total income      £2000.00

#### **Balance**

Our current bank balance is:

Uncleared	£22,148.91	Cleared	£22,148.91
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## **Reserved Funding**

### Reserved Funding

- £104.00 - DGC Covid/CR grant (remainder of DGC Covid Grant)
- £674.44 - DGC Admin Grant (Gmail, zoom, general admin costs)
- £4086.46 - Funding committed to KPTJCBF from 2020/2021 SPR Windfarm income

### Potential Reserved funding (dependant on position regarding KPTJCBF)

- £4146.51 - Funding committed to KPTJCBF from 2021/2022 SPR Windfarm income

*Considered Committed Funding at this time: **£9011.41***

*Immediately Available reserves (taking into account reserved KPTJCBF windfarm funding): **£13,137.50***

## **6. Secretary's report**

Nothing to report

## **7. Local planning matters**

Hen Hoose Plots

Plot 1 – Approved with the same conditions as previously.

Plot 2 – It was noted that the position of the garage has been changed and is now positioned at the back of the site

## **8. Update on timber traffic and forestry issues**

### **Tree felling permits for copses on the Manse Road**

Residents are concerned that the permits granted are for clear felling of all trees including those bordering the road which have not been damaged by the storm. It was felt that this would have a serious impact on the local landscape. It was also noted that no application had been made in regard of disturbance to badger and red squirrel habitats. A resident had applied for a tree preservation order but had been told that there would be a substantial delay in it being considered and that they would not accelerate the application. The resident noted that in England and Wales there was a process for considering emergency applications and had asked the Planning Dept what equivalent processes are in place in D & G. No reply had been received and she had contacted local Councilors but again had received no replies. It was also noted that there appeared to be inaccuracies in the applications for the permits.

***Actions: MN to contact Planning Dept about TPO SKS to 1. contact Councilors about the TPO 2. Contact Conservancy about contact with TCC not being made and inaccuracies in statement. 3. Meeting to be arranged on site.***

### **Night Felling of forestry on Lann Hall road**

A resident had complained about the disturbance caused by felling continuing late into the night with noise and intrusive lighting. An agreement to limit the work had been discussed but not adhered to.

## **9. Feedback from KPT DT review Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

Rather than a formal EGM to discuss the option of leaving the KPT with the Community, it was decided that it would be better to hold a "Ideas for the Community" meeting on a Saturday afternoon with lunch to get opinions and ideas about what residents would like to see happening in Tynron in the future followed by a decision about KPT membership. Date to be agreed via email.

***Action: SKS to circulate TCC members to agree a date***

## **10. JCBF and KPT updates**

JCBF - LM reported that Penpont CC have now paid in their 2020/21 contribution and it has been possible to pay an outstanding grant to the KPT.

KPT – SKS reported that the Community Garden project was proceeding rapidly and the [Community Trading](#) account has now been set up

## **11. Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations**

It was agreed that the CC would organise a lunch on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June as part of the National Big Jubilee Lunch celebrations. Funding of £1,000 to be made available.

***Action LM to co-ordinate arrangements and ask people to help out and places will need to be booked to avoid food waste.***

**12. Speed warning signs in Tynron village**

The possibility that the CC should ask for the 30 mph speed signs to be moved further up the hill was discussed.

**13. Wind farm updates**

**Windy Rig**

Foundation Scotland are discussing the distribution of community benefit to CCs. A decision is required by June. Tynron CC have put forward their ideas.

**14. AOCB**

The CC was informed that plans for the extension of the Holiday Park at Sandyhills were being put forward. The CC will be receiving a letter from the Sandyhills Action Group.

**15. Date of next meeting**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022