



Present: Gordon Ball, David Brown, Jennifer Wylie, John Wils, Janice Tomlinson, Dick Bond, David Scott,

Attending: Cllr John Docherty, Cllr Donald MacGregor, Cllr Elizabeth Riches, Jennifer Ball, Bruce Thomson

Apologies: no apologies

Minutes: Acceptance of minutes 20th February proposed by Jennifer Wylie and seconded by David Brown.

Matters Arising:

Lingo Wind Farm: Fife council planning department recommended refusal of the application, this recommendation was unanimously supported by the councilors. This however has been taken to appeal by the applicant; the Reporter will make the decision on whether it should be approved by Scottish Government or whether it needs further discussion. As yet there is no decision whether the reporter will be the same person as the one reporting on Kenley. The Kenly applicant has stated that they do not want the decision to be made jointly. With regards to Lingo there was a last minute letter from the applicant advising they would put a radar mitigation provision in place.

GB reiterated his appreciation for the support of the councilors in this matter.

Proposed Crematorium: This application has been approved. We still however have concerns regarding parking, if it becomes a problem once the building is completed we will raise at that time. DB expressed surprise that this was a delegated decision. Cllr Mcgregor advised that there needs to be in excess of 5 objection / or it has to be a major project before it is referred to committee (Major is defined by the size of the plot, or, in excess of 50 houses). David Queripel of Montgomery Forgan has outstanding actions to clarify certain points on this, JT will continue to chase him.

Hillwood Industrial Area: The planning application for change of use from agricultural to industrial class 4, 5 & 6 has been approved. GB had written to FC Legal Department asking for clarification on several points, the reply he received did not answer his questions. He then raised several queries with the enforcement officer. The officer investigated and advised that the departments in FC involved were Transportation, Planning and Health and Safety. The approval was granted before these departments had given their feedback to planning. While the CC welcomes new business bringing jobs and prosperity to the area the CC require assurance that suitable processes and procedures are in place and are followed by the Planning Department. That had not happened in this particular case. The main concern from the CC is the proximity of residential properties to this unit. Cllr Riches agreed to set up a meeting with JIM Birrell to enable us to voice our concerns over planning approving applications before all concerns and queries raised have been answered.

New House at Balone 13/00645/FULL: GB has spoken to residents at Ballone, and they have no concerns or objections to this application. They raised a query as to where services, water, sewage, electricity would be provided from. DS commented that if approved the applicant would source these appropriately. GB to write to FC advising that Cameron CC have no objections and the Community Council have no perceived requirement for conditions to this application

Correspondence:

GB has received and forwarded to the CC notification o the new system for Rural Recycling Services, this will start in May 2013
GB advised that the Drummond family at Mount Melville have had their planning application approved and have written to the CC to express their thanks for our support with their application.
GB received letter advising of Training Opportunities for Fife Council Management.
GB has received notification from Jim Birrel of Fife Council’s Framework for Enterprise Planning and Protection Services.

Planning Matters:

New Secondary School to East of the Hospital: There will be a public meeting on Monday March 25th at Kilrymont School.

Feddinch Golf Course:

JW (John) advised that the Golf Course would be called St Andrews International Golf Club. The developers agreed that they had a commitment to strengthen the bridge at Rainbow Cottage and would be doing this following the completion of their works at the Golf Course. Work will be starting on 1 April.

AOCB:

Fife Council Budget: DS noted that Corporate Services were increasing their budget and queried with the councilors. Cllr Riches explained that headcount is being reduced; mainly middle management the payback period is 2yrs 10 months (following redundancy payments). In the last budget consultants were reduced, majority of employees made redundant are not qualified to return as consultants. Consultants are brought in for specific issues. Eg Road at Dura Den that collapsed due to heavy rain /flooding. Fife Council employs 20,000 full time equivalent staff.

Planning NE Fife: Cllr MacGregor advised the Planning Committee will sit every 4 weeks from 10th April at 2pm, the new planning officers are Alister Hamilton, Chris Smith and Elspeth Cook. (Non planning committees meetings will be held every 2 weeks in the morning).

Potential new CC members: (JW) Jennifer advised that her contacts at Priormuir have no interest in joining the committee.

State of local roads: Local roads are suffering with huge potholes, Lumbo by the cottages, A915 just past The Depot, A915 just past lights at Rainbow Cottage going towards St Andrews. Cllr McGregor agreed to take these up with Highways Dept. Cllr Docherty recommended that we report these using FC web site.

John Paul 90: Discussion held around how the CC should mark the event of John Paul’s (a previous chair of the CC) 90th birthday on 14th April 2013.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm

Next Meeting Wednesday 17th April 2013

Signed	Gordon Ball
Proposed	David Scott
Secoded	Jennifer Wylie
Dated	17 th April 2013