

## Minutes of Cameron Community Council Meeting held in Cameron Hall on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2010 at 6:30pm

**Chairman:** Gordon Ball

**Apologies:** Cllr. D MacGregor, Cllr. M Scott-Hayward, D Bond

**Present:** Gordon Ball, David Brown, Rob Steven, Peter Jerome, Jennifer

Wylie, D. Scott

**In attendance:** John Paul, Terry Cunningham

Minutes: Acceptance of the minutes of the 21st July 2010 meeting was

proposed by Peter Jerome, seconded by Rob Steven, approved and

signed by the chairman.

**Matters Arising:** Peter Jerome advised the meeting that following discussions

with others that he had revised his opinion on the ARQIVA, DAB mast at

**Drumcarrow** and had submitted an objection as an individual for reasons of health concerns regarding 'tetra' type of receivers. Following a discussion, where the chairman explained that as a result of expert advice he understood there to be no health concerns with the digital network, it was agreed to take no further

action.

D Scott advised the meeting that the Kohler Company (Duke's Golf Course) as owners of the solum of the **Craigtoun Farm Access Road** had agreed, at their cost, to install 2 No speed bumps and 2 No painted 20mph circles on the road as their response to our request to take affirmative action on speeding. Their positive action was to be commended, unlike the negative interest and lack of action on the matter being shown by Fife Council to date.

Fife Council has recently completed the replacement of the Mount Melville direction signs.

Following a lengthy and robust discussion concerning the planning application 10/01522/Full for Feddinch and the reports provided by Mrs Mathewson it was generally agreed that there seems to be many inconsistencies in the approach adopted by Fife Council planning dept. in their view concerning the extant planning consent for the golf course and surrounding the decision that the access works

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constituted permitted development. Clarification is also to be sought concerning the confusion over the change of view of the Planning Committee concerning the original intention to refuse an extension for reserved matters.

#### **Correspondence:**

E-mails circulated to members of the CC formed the bulk of correspondence in the period. The chairman raised his concerns over the unsolicited anti-nuclear power correspondence being sent to Community Councils, but it was agreed that no action should be taken.

## Ragwort at Feddinch:

R Steven explained the concerns over the spread of ragwort when it comes into flower and the apparent lack of action on the part of the Rural Payment and Inspections Directorate (SGRPID) that both he and Mrs Dickson Feddinch have written to in line with the Weeds Act of 1959. It was suggested that contact with the receiver (the owner) for the Feddinch site or perhaps Fife Council might also be a route to consider.

# Cameron District Boundary:

G Ball explained the confusion that exists over the historic CC boundary.

A recent drawing received from Fife Council excluded the Grange area and showed other changes to the original boundaries.

The reply from Mike Enston, Director of POD in Fife Council was unsatisfactory as it failed to answer the questions raised. The chairman will discuss the matter further with Fife Councillors to seek a resolution

## Pittarthie Wind Turbines:

Gordon Ball provided a report on the recent meeting that he and other CCC members attended at Boarhills and Dunnino, (B & D CC) concerning the Pittarthie Wind Turbine development.

He requested and was given assurance from B & D CC that they will keep CCC advised of any developments associated with this project, as it impacts on Cameron more than B & D CC and as there has been no contact made by West Coast Energy since the erection of the 55m anemometer mast and the installation of measuring equipment to record ambient noise readings.

Peter Jerome explained that there are now plans for 30 No wind turbines within a 10 mile radius – 6 No at Kenly; 5 No at Pittarthie; 17 No at Clatto and 2 No at Largoward.

The Bowden-Smiths of Pittarthie Farm (unconnected to the turbine proposal) have asked to be kept in the loop.

### **CCC Elections:**

The chairman explained the election procedure with the key date as follows:

• Delivery of nomination papers 16<sup>th</sup> September

Under the rules for the establishment of Community Councils, CCC is allowed 8 No Councillors and nomination papers were circulated at the meeting as explanatory papers had been circulated previously by e-mail.

The role of Community Councillor is open to all, provided they are on the electoral role and have been a resident in the area of the CC for 12 months preceding the date of nomination.

| <b>Sponsored Links</b> |
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| for CCC                |
| Website:               |

It was agreed that the following businesses would be approached regarding a sponsored link to their website on the CCC website: Watsons; Niven; Mackie; Hillwood House B& B; Livingstone; Inn at Lathones; Peat Inn; Acorn Nursery; Drumcarrow Livery; Allanhall Farm; Lathockar Sawmill; Grange Inn; Lonestar B & B; St Andrews Coach House; Finlayson Catering.

AOCB:

David Brown explained that the contact person to hire Cameron Hall was Joy Straith on 01334 840276.

D Scott was advised that the Transportation dept in Fife Council would provide winter grit for roadside bins.

There being no other competent business, the meeting closed at 9:00pm.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday  $15^{th}$  September 2010 at the new starting time of 6:30pm.

| Proposed |
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| Seconded |
| Signed   |
| Dated    |