



**Minutes of Cameron Community Council held in Cameron Hall  
on 18 February 2015 at 6.30pm**

- Present:** Gordon Ball, Janice Tomlinson, Bruce Thomson, Carol Drysdale, David Brown,
- Attending:** Cllr John Docherty, Cllr Donald Macgregor, Cllr Elizabeth Riches, Martin Tomlinson, Ian Campbell, Dan Rioch (part)
- Apologies:** Ian Paul, David Scott, Stephen Lohoar, PC David Johnston
- Minutes:** Acceptance of Minutes 21st January, proposed by Bruce Thomson and seconded by David Brown.
- Welcome :** GB welcomed all.

AOCB

1. **Matters Arising:** 1) **Proposed Temporis Wind Farm** on Claremont Farm Land. A meeting was held on Monday 16 Feb at Strathkinness Village Hall. This proposed wind farm is planned to be located on land in the Cameron Area but closely bordering Strathkinness Area. The meeting was hosted by four employees of Ogin, the manufacturers of the turbines. The presentation was the same as the one delivered to us at Cameron Hall on the 15th October. Ogin design and develop a shrouded turbine, which is claimed to be more efficient than the traditional turbine design, they do not currently have any installed and working turbines of this design, so the claim is not yet proven on a working environment. They still did not provide the costs to install and run the proposed site and there was no return on investment information available. In general it was felt to be a very poor presentation with no concrete data. The decision from our meeting is to wait for the formal planning application to be lodged with Fife Council and then take appropriate action.
- 2) **Traffic Calming Peat Inn** The feedback provided by the residents in Peat Inn has been forwarded to Colin Stirling of Fife Council, with copy to the Councillors. Feedback was as follows :-
  - 1) full width 'speed tables' rather than the smaller speed humps that bigger vehicles can straddle and smaller vehicles get tyre and suspension wear. We would also suggest though use of 'false' speed humps that are created by road paint that gives an optical illusion that humps are there (Kennoway?). Finally, replacement of the current, ineffectual, 'slow down' signs that activate at all speeds for the ones that show the actual speed in green or red numbers, depending on the speed (Scoonie Rd, Leven, Limekilns).
  - 2) After looking at numerous ideas the one that appear to work well from my observations of speed reduction in the Fife areas are the large electronic speed signage that flash your driving speed on approach, but also highlight in red when you are over the speed limit.  
I suggest that in conjunction with something like this you could start to have the camera partnership introduce regular speed cameras to make people aware of the possibility of police presence this appears to work well in places such as Gates side and St Michaels etc. I would still suggest leaving the middle traffic islands as they appear to slow things down slightly
  - 3) softer" signing and lining options', rather than physical 'vertical' measures. With regards to the electronic signs it has been reported by residents that:- The one outside the village, on the approach from the north, has been operating 24/7 but now looks like it has burnt itself out! The other two, the ones which are just inside each approach, activate whatever the speed of a vehicle, which is frustrating for drivers. All 3 are not fit for purpose, the suggestion we have had is that these signs be replaced with more up to date ones that actually flash up the speed in green or red numbers.

- 3) **Residential Caravan Peat Inn** Cllr Docherty advised that the caravan owner was approached on Monday 16th by a prospective purchaser. If by Friday 20th February she has not completed the sale she will be notified of storage facilities for caravans and encouraged to use these until the sale has been made. If the enforcement route is followed she will be given a month to move the caravan, but could then appeal and that process can take a further month.
2. **Correspondence:** JT updated all on the correspondence received during the month which has been sent to all by email, and where appropriate our website updated 1) Planning: The People's Perspective a conference is being held on Sat 25th April in Trades Hall Central Glasgow organised by Planning Democracy. 2) Fife Pilgrim Way: a long distance walking route across Fife is being planned, updates on progress will be posted on the CCC website 3) Kincardine Bridge Works starts 27th February lasting Feb, Mar & Apr 4) RTPI Scotland Event Thurs 15th March in Dundee entitled 'Developing links with Community Planning'.
3. **Planning Matters:** 1) **15/00336/SCR** Land South Of The Cameron Reservoir Cameron Fife Screening for installation of ground mounted solar farm at Cameron, Fife. This screening application was discussed, at this time the questions that arose was what is the life span of the hardware involved, at the end of the working life who is responsible for the deinstallation and disposal. 2) Dan Rioch advised that his family are in the process of lodging a planning application to rebuild a cottage on land they own opposite Lathocker saw mill the cottage was originally built mid to late 1800's, there plan is to use the same footprint, to have an upper floor and to use the original stone, with slate or pantile roof. Dan is happy to attend a future meeting to present the plans.
4. **AOCB** 1) Hedges on the A915 left hand side approaching Rainbow Cottage travelling from St Andrews are encroaching on the grass verge/roadway. **Action: DB** request the landowner cut these back. 2) Livingston Builders security light has been reported to be blinding drivers on the A915 travelling away from St Andrews. **Action: JT** request that they angle the light downwards, 3) GB has visited the new resident of Kinaldy House and updated them on Community Broadband, and they updated GB on their concerns regarding tradespeople advertising their services locally using local telephone numbers, but actually being from without the St Andrews area. 4) BT advised that he has on three occasions (the first being 28th December) reported a broken 30mph pole in Peat Inn and has had no reply from Fife Council. **Action :Cllr McGregor** to follow up this issue. 5) BT advised that a right of way passing through land close to Cassindonald Farm and Blackwalls Farm to Cameron Loch had three gates secured with wire, so blocking the right of way. **Action: BT** to check if the gates had now been unsecured. 6) IC advised at Higham Toll there used to be 3 rubbish bins, these have all disappeared and rubbish is being left on the recreational area. **Action :Cllr McGregor** to follow up this issue 7) Cllr Docherty gave an update on his work as a Board Member of the Heath and Social Care Integration Board where he also sits on one of the sub groups, to do with 'Communication'. John advised that at the last full Board meeting it was approved that a representative be requested from each CC as a contact point for any change, or if an opinion is needed, for any plan or proposal that may change the delivery of care in that community. It was agreed that Carol Drysdale would be that point of contact for Cameron CC. 8) The Parish Committee notified us that the Quiz Night will be held on 13 March at 7.30pm, teams of 3 members should be notified to Joy Straith or Anne Brown with £10 fee, a supper will be provided at the end of the evening, details on the CCC website.
5. Date of Next Meeting 18th March 2015

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed	Gordon Ball
Proposed	Carol Drysdale
Seconded	David Scott
Dated	18 April 2015