

Creich and Flisk Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held on 5th February 2020

Present

Bernard O'Donnell, Jim Duncan, Bob Arbuckle, Laura Arbuckle, Elspeth Barker, Matthew Wilson, Gordon Cuthill, Ian Purvis, Mike Simm, Colin McEwan, John MacPherson and Kate Simm.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Apologies

Andy Heer sent his apologies.

Minutes of the last meeting

These were accepted.

Matters Arising

Complaint against the Community Council – The chairman has written to Fife council explaining the current position and outlining the approach for the future.

Police Report – Following a total of thirty miscellaneous incidents in the period August to October there were only three in the period November to January. The police have advised that there are bogus workmen in the area and asked that householders be very aware when approached by such people.

Broadband – Superfast broadband is now available in both Luthrie and Brunton,

Mobile Phone Signal – The chairman has continued pursuing the issue of poor signal strength in the area by writing again to Mr W Rennie following an unsatisfactory response from Mr Wheelhouse.

Defibrillator in Luthrie – Following a contribution of £500 from the Community Council and a grant a defibrillator was delivered to Luthrie this week and has now been installed at the entrance to Luthrie Hall. It is now operational and is kept unlocked. Discussion took place with regard to the training of Luthrie residents and possibly any Hall users. Training will be carried out by the Wilsons in Luthrie who are paramedics. The community council will contribute up to £50 for the hall rental to cover costs involved in training.

Speed Limits in Luthrie – Twenty three residents in Luthrie are in favour of a reduction in the speed limit from 30mph to 20 mph and also want the limit to be extended outside the village. A particular area of concern is the road section called Broomhill which is a direct continuation of the road from Creich straight into Luthrie. This is a very narrow road section and has seen some vehicle bumps in the past. Some kind of action here is desirable. A site visit by Andy Heer with Laura and/or Ian would be a good idea.

Action Andy Heer/ Laura/ Ian

Finance Report

Following the annual grant of £470 the finances at the end of last year totalled approximately £600 following a contribution for the defibrillator. Clarification of the data protection fee of £40 is required. Ian will contact Andy Heer or Fife Council regarding this. With hall rental the only regular costs suggestions were invited for valid expenditure. John suggested producing a map of the local area showing suitable walks and paths which would cover the Luthrie and Brunton area to be located in the vicinity of the hall.

This was considered to be an excellent idea and could even include signs for visitors. This would be progressed by John and Gordon.

Action John / Gordon

Roads and Drainage

There were few points to raise here but the ditch between Luthrie and Brunton which Andy Heer raised with Fife Council following the last meeting has still not been remedied.

Action Andy

Matthew raised the issue of two road signs which were not vertical and should be remedied, one near Luthrie church and one near Flisk.

Action Bob

Planning

Two planning applications in the area had been submitted since the last meeting. One is for a conservatory at Carphin House and the other is the construction of a house in Luthrie on the road to Creich. No comments were made about either of these.

Public Meeting

The meeting between Ian Macallan and Luthrie residents did not take place despite some attempts to organise it by Andy Heer.

Any Other Business

The secretary said he had received a letter from Alex Rowley MSP regarding bogus phone calls with advice on help in avoiding or eliminating them. The letter highlighted the website **Friends against Scams** at www.friendsagainstscams.org which people might find useful.

Dates of meetings in 2020 will be as follows:

6th May, 5th August and 4th November

R Arbuckle
8th February 2020