

Creich and Flisk Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held on 2nd May 2018

Present

Councillor Andy Heer, Bernard O'Donnell, Jim Duncan, Ian Purvis, Bob Arbuckle, Dagmar Dawson and Laura Arbuckle.

Apologies

Matthew Wilson

Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th February 2018

These were approved with no changes.

Matters arising from the previous meeting

Following the attendance of the police at the previous meeting a suspect has been apprehended in connection with numerous thefts in North East Fife during January and February 2018.

All other matters arising will be dealt with under the agenda directly.

Finance and banking report

The bank account is now up and running. A cheque for £100 has been paid to Luthrie Hall for hall usage and a small donation. We have been advised by the bank that they will write to us if there is little activity in the account. They have been advised that account activity will be sporadic.

The balance in the account today is £464.92 but two rentals for meetings still have to be paid. The treasurer has taken £25 as petty cash to cover incidentals and has £9.88 of it in hand.

Ian reported that various grants are available from Fife Council for projects we may wish to get involved in. A discussion took place regarding possible uses for money including refurbishment of the bench at Creich church. It was decided that we should all consider what projects we could initiate before committing to expenditure. This to be discussed at the next meeting.

Action All

Annual Community Council Grant

Councillor Heer confirmed that the annual grant was based on the population of the community council area. It was proposed that we hold our Annual General Meeting at the November meeting and that our Financial Year end would be September 30th. This would allow us to apply for a grant from Fife Council with the appropriate necessary paperwork.

Carphin Planning Update

The application was heard at the April planning meeting of Fife Council. Whilst the planners proposed that it go ahead the decision was to reject it unanimously by those present. It is believed the applicants will appeal. A court case is to take place at the end of May to determine whether the farm owners must agree to satisfy the applicant's requirements for access to Carphin.

It was reported that various activities appear to be happening at Carphin which appear to be in conflict with the decision of the planning committee. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed the Community Council would draft a letter to Pam Ewen who is in charge of Planning at Fife Council to express our concern at the current events that are taking place.

Action Bernard

Road Repairs Update

Councillor Heer confirmed that the road into Brunton from the Luthrie direction will be repaired in the current financial year. He had also discussed the condition of the road from Brunton to Creich and was advised that there are no plans to modify this. He further said that if the Council hire a Jet Patcher this financial year that they may use it on that road but this is far from definite.

The road at Ballinbreich is due for major repairs including the installation of drains to carry water from the hill to the field. This will necessitate road closure. Again this is to take place in the current financial year.

Broadband

It was confirmed that cabling for super-fast broadband has been installed to Luthrie but it has not yet been connected to houses.

The Broadband band website gives an indication of broadband activity in your area.

Speedwatch

The chairman had received an invitation for community councillors to receive training in using speed guns. No one volunteered for this.

Any Other Business

Bob reported that he had received that very day a questionnaire from Fife Council regarding community councils which needs to be completed by May 31st 2018. He will forward this to the Chairman.

Action Bob

A deed of servitude has been prepared for the School House, Luthrie to allow it to be put up for sale.

The next meeting will be held on 1st August, 2018 at 7.30pm in Luthrie Village Hall.