

Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council

Minute of Meeting held on Tuesday 26th Feb 2008

Present	Cllrs Stephen Hall, Bill Dargie, Andrew Watt, Jim Marshall, Anne Masson, John Carr
Attending	Cllrs Wendy Agnew, Graham Clarke and George Carr. Neil Lindsay, Lloyd Garvie. Several members of the public.
Meeting chaired by	Cllr Ian Duncan

1) Apologies

None

2) Minutes of last meeting

Approved by John Carr and Jim Marshall

3) Matters arising from minutes

- Gullies in Kinneff still not cleared
- The Massons are still to be contacted regarding the Denhead Barrier
- There are travellers in the A92 laybys again. There is the usual mess and litter, and some local residents are discouraged from using the Roadside of Catterline recycling point.

4) Hillhead of Auquhirie

Neil Lindsay of Macaulay Enterprises gave a presentation about the proposed wind turbine cluster at Hillhead of Auquhirie focussing on the work done so far in preparing the Environmental Impact Assessment and the work yet to do. He outlined the plan for 3 x 1.3Mw turbine with a tip height of approximately 80m, similar to the ones planned for the immediately adjacent Clochnahill development, and then answered questions from councillors and members of the public. Questions and concerns raised included;

- A query about the presence of Skylarks at the site, which would affect its tier level (currently stated as tier 4).
- The effect of shadow flicker.
- Possible extension of the project at a later date, both in terms of size and number of the turbines.
- The accuracy, number and locations of the photomontage illustrations.
- Possible direct benefits to the local community such as improved telecoms as a result infrastructure improvements needed for the turbine control systems.

Mr Lindsay explained that they planned to hold a public meeting and display to allow people to view and discuss the plans in detail, and it was suggested that Kinneff Hall would be a good location for this. Mr Lindsay closed by saying that he hoped a dialog would continue between the developers and the community, both via CKDCC and directly.

5) Financial matters

No change

6) Project Grants

The annual project grants were discussed and the following awards were agreed.

- Catterline Mother and Toddler Group - new toys. £50
- Catkins Rising 5's - new resources for the coming session. £50
- 'Catkins' After School Club - the initial administration and start up costs. £50
- Dunnottar Bodgers Group - tools and resources. £50
- Catterline Harbour Trust. £50
- Kinneff Hall. £50

7) Dunnottar Woods

Thinning is still on going.

Funds from the planning gain from the Braehead development is available, but ironically cannot be accessed as it is only available on presentation of receipts.

8) Planning

Planning Applications

2008-02-20	Mr & Mrs Murray	Fawsyde House, Kinneff	Listed Building Consent for Internal Alterations	APP/2008/0536
2008-02-13	Mr Alan Fenton	Business Unit/Garage, East Mains of Barras, Stonehaven	Full Planning Permission for Change of Use from Class 4 (Business) to Class 7 (Hotels and Hostels)	APP/2008/0455
2008-02-12	Mr M Rhodes	Land South East of 4 School Cottage, Barras	Outline Planning Permission for Erection of Dwellinghouse and Garage	APP/2008/0425
2008-01-25	Airtricity Developments (UK) Ltd	St John's Hill, Stonehaven	Full Planning Permission for Erection of Meteorological Mast (temporary period of 24 months)	APP/2008/0124

Several people voice their concerns about the plans for a new house a Barras (APP/2008/0425). The main objections were on the grounds of increased traffic and the cumulative effect of more housing.

Ian Duncan reiterated the Community Councils position of being generally in favour of new housing in the area. George Carr stated that the plans may be in breach of the exiting council policy, and suggested that those with objections should write directly to Viewmount to express their views.

Building Warrants

KM/BW/2008/0549/	Mr Mrs Taggart 30 Braehead Crescent Stonehaven	Sun Lounge
KM/BW/2008/0605/	Mr Mrs Hammond Harley House	Sunroom Extension

	Barras Stonehaven	
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9) Roads

- Lampool Y junction has still not been repaired.
- Muirton of Barras unadopted road - George Carr will be meeting with the residents in the near future to discuss the way ahead.
- Fernie Brae -> Upper Westown - potholes
- Concern was expressed once again about the safety of the junctions on the A92 at Roadside of Catterline. Near misses are very common, with traffic regularly overtaking vehicles slowing to turn right.

10) Correspondence

- Aberdeenshire Council - request for comment on plan to erect three wind turbines at Droop Hill, Glenbervie
- RAF Community Relations Officer - offer to give presentation on the need for low flying exercises.
- HQ 51 (Scottish) Brigade - notification of low flying exercise 11th-21st Feb 2008-03-05
- KMAC - Jan minutes and Feb Agenda
- William Munro - request for comment on representation by Aberdeenshire Councillors at CC meetings
- Scottish Water - Invitation to Open Board Meeting on 26th March in Palm Court Hotel, Aberdeen.
- Aberdeenshire Council - Annual Public Performance Report 2006/7

11) Any Other Business

- Email from Dunnottar Bodgers Group asking if we can submit a planning application on their behalf, as Community Councils are only charged half the fee. There were concerns that this may open the CC to liabilities. Stephen Hall to seek advice from Willie Munro.
- Graeme Clarke observed that, with the number of wind farms planned in the immediate vicinity, it is important that the local community sees some tangible benefits.
- The vacant community council seats for Barras and Dunnottar were highlighted. It was suggested that next months AGM would be a good opportunity to find new councillors.

12) Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 25th March 2008 at 7.30pm, followed by AGM