

**DRAFT MINUTE OF INCHTURE & AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
KINNAIRD ON THURSDAY 4th APRIL 2013**

PRESENT Mr T Woodford, Mr D Henderson, Ms L McFarlane, Mrs C Allan, Mr S Kelly-Barton

APOLOGIES Mr P Henderson, Ms A Ramsay

IN ATTENDANCE Cllr J Roberts

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of the previous meeting was read; the acceptance of the minute was proposed by Mr D Henderson and seconded by Mr T Woodford

POLICE & FIRE

PC Brian Simpson from Police Scotland attended the meeting. PC Simpson made the meeting aware that the new non-emergency telephone number for the single Scottish Police Force is 101 and that calls to that number are charged at 15p regardless of the length of the call.

He also reminded the meeting that bogus workmen were in the area and asked everyone to be vigilant. If anyone has any suspicions concerning bogus workmen they are advised to call the police.

There were only 3 crimes in the area, all were detected and dealt with.

ROADS AND TRANSPORT

The construction of the first of the 2 houses opposite the Hotel in Inchtire has been started. Cllr Roberts is to monitor the situation regarding the right of way. When the original application was approved there were conditions attached to the approval which related to the protection of the trees at the front of the site. It was brought to the Community Council's attention that these conditions have been ignored and that considerable damage has been done to the trees and their roots. A member of the public has been in contact with P&K Council regarding this matter and the correspondence has been passed onto the Community Council chairperson. Cllr Roberts is to contact the Planning Department at P&K to find out what went wrong.

There are more potholes at the entrance to Inchtire near to the school.

A meeting was held to discuss the overgrown trees which are restricting the view of drivers on the Inchtire flyover with BEAR Scotland. It was undecided if the trees were a help or a hindrance to road safety and T Woodford is waiting for Bear Scotland to report back to him.

The lack of light at the bend at the Carse end of the Friarton Bridge was discussed and Cllr Roberts is to find out if anything can be done to improve the situation.

TWINNING

Preparations for the 20th Anniversary celebrations for August 2013 are well under way and applications to assist with funding are currently being completed. A request was made to the Community Council to ask if a contribution could be made from Community Council funds. The Treasurer is to find out if this is permitted under the new guidelines before the request is considered. It was suggested that an application is made to P&K Quality of Life Trust and also to The Inchtire Community Fund as well as Muir Homes and Barrats.

The ceilidh/curry night raised about £600.

INCHTURE COMMUNITY FUND PANEL

No meeting have been held since the last Community Council Meeting.

INCHTURE COMMUNITY SPORTS COMLEX

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PLANNING

20 letters of objection have been submitted against the application for a test mast on the Bandirran Estate. These will be considered by P&K before a decision is made. Banks Renewable are to hold an open day at The Inchtire Hotel on 8th May and it was decided not to invite them to the meeting in Rait on May 2nd but to move the invitation back to the meeting in June and to have the meeting in Inchtire as originally planned. Scotland Against Spin are to be invited to a future meeting of the Community Council at a date to be decided.

There are no other local applications which are contentious.

BRAES OF THE CARSE GROUP

Apart from the news regarding the 20 objections to the test mast there was nothing to report.

TREASURER

A payment of £20 has been made to Scotways, (The Scottish Right of Way Society), they sent a copy of their magazine and some guides to walks throughout Scotland. If anyone is interested in joining them on one of these walks the literature is available from the treasurer.

The cheque mentioned above has not been cashed yet and therefore the account balance is unchanged at £1,105.67. The balance of the Special Project Fund is £84.64 and the payment of £54.00 is still due to be paid into that account from the community fund.

The community council makes an annual award to the newsletter and it was decided to keep this figure the same as last year, £150.

All expenses are to be handed in to the treasurer by the end of this week.

EDUCATION

The large tree in the school playground has been removed to allow the extra classrooms to be built.

PARKS, LEISURE, TREES & ENVIRONMENT

No news on the TPO's at Westown.

A.O.C.B.

A lap-top computer can be bought for around £250. A decision has still to be made to decide if this would be worthwhile in the efforts to improve the running of the council in the event of change of councillors and to centralise all communications with outside bodies.

The 12 council houses in the new Barrats area of Inchtute are all to be 2 bedroom houses and will not be let out to individuals or families with less than 3 members.

Rossie Priory Cricket Club is to hold its annual quiz night on 26th April in Inchtute Village Hall.

It was decided to put copies of the minute of the Community Council meetings in the Village Shop, Post Office and Hotel in an attempt to involve more members of the public with the Community Council. There are still vacancies on the Community Council and any members of the public who are interested in taking an interest in how our community is shaped are asked to come along to the next meeting.

The Location Of The Next Meeting Has Been Moved

The next meeting is being held in Inchtute Village Hall on Thursday 2nd May at 7.30

THIS MEETING WILL BE THE AGM

The following meeting will be 6th June in Inchtute.