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Inchture Area Community Council

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MINUTE OF INCHTURE AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT RAIT

ON THURSDAY 3rd September 2015

PRESENT

D.Henderson, A.Bailey, B.Bird, T.Woodford, C. Allan

APOLOGIES

L.McFarlane, P.Henderson, G.McKinlay, S. Kelly-Barton, A. Ramsay

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr J.M. Roberts

Minutes of the May meeting were available. Proposed by D.Henderson and seconded by B.Bird.

POLICE & FIRE

PC Mark Stewart was in attendance. He provided reminders/information on the following:

- Phone usage by drivers in cars is forbidden even when stationary in traffic
- There have been reports of youths in the school grounds but nobody has been seen when police attended
- Reports have been received about hare coursing around Abernyste, please record vehicle number plates if you see something suspicious
- Remember to lock sheds, garages and other outbuildings

ROADS AND TRANSPORT

Cllr Roberts provided an update regarding the Community Council's request for the creation of a formal path between Meadowview Drive and Flower of Monorgan Close across the grassed area. He noted that the land is owned partly by Barratt Homes and partly by Muir Homes (soon to be handed to PKC). The Governor of Castle Huntley Open Prison is happy to provide labour for the creation of the path but permission from the landowners and materials will need to be sought first.

T.Woodford informed the meeting that PKC is in the process of creating a proposal for improved signage to reduce the likelihood of HGVs attempting to pass through or turn in the village of Kinnaird.

It was noted that the Muir Homes estate is nearing completion with just two homes remaining to sell. PKC will inspect footpaths and roads prior to handover. It is anticipated that this will happen before the end of the year.

TWINNING

T.Woodford updated the meeting about the successful school twinning visit during the summer. Inchture residents are invited to attend a celebration to mark the 30th anniversary of the twinning between Fleac and Marktbreit in Bavaria. The event will take place in Fleac, France next year and further details will follow in the village newsletter.

EDUCATION

The Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) which is to be built behind the school is currently out to tender. It will provide two tennis courts or two five-a-side football pitches. If all goes to plan construction will begin in May 2016.

BROADBAND

Duncan Nisbet, Senior Stakeholder Manager from Digital Scotland attended the meeting to provide an update on the plans for provision of Superfast Broadband for the area.

Summary:

- Properties in the old part of Inchtute plus Muir homes up to approx 31 Orchard Way are estimated to receive Superfast broadband in Spring 2016
- Properties in the Muir estate beyond 31 Orchard Way (post summer-2007 build) are estimated to receive Superfast broadband in Summer 2016
- Provision of Superfast broadband for Rait village is underway and expected to be live for end-2015
- Provision of a second cabinet to serve some outlying properties near Rait is expected to happen in Summer 2016
- Kinnaird and Ballindean are unlikely to benefit from the above mentioned improvements
- [Community Broadband Scotland](#) may be able to assist in funding/planning improvements for those areas

Detail:

- The overall programme for superfast broadband rollout in Scotland is not yet at its half way point
- It is estimated that the project will provide coverage to 90% of properties in Perthshire once complete
- Inchtute was part-upgraded then left due to complexities of funding for homes built post-2012 and the expense of addressing the so-called Exchange Only lines that are present in the older part of the village
- The idea of using 3G or 4G mobile phone based broadband to deliver acceptable speeds in Kinnaird was mentioned by A.Bailey. He will arrange a visit to Kinnaird to test this setup and report back at the next meeting.

PLANNING

Adjustments to the size and number of homes planned for the former steadings site which the Council objected to in Abernyte were rejected.

PKC has confirmed that the path beside the new shop must be complete prior to the shop opening. The tree on the same site is now adequately protected from damage during the construction works.

BRAES OF THE CARSE CONSERVATION GROUP (BCCG)

no update

TREASURERS REPORT

no update

TREES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Cllr Roberts informed the meeting that an agreement has been reached whereby a 1M strip of grass around the paths behind Meadowview Drive will be maintained by a private contractor using private funds. PKC will do a one off cut of everything.

Glenn Bryan informed the meeting that ivy is overtaking one of the redwood trees in front of the school. C.Allan is to follow-up with PKC trees.

DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

November 12th 2015 - Abernyte

January 7th 2016 - Inchtire

March 3rd 2016 - Inchtire

April 7th 2016 - Kinnaird

May 5th 2016 - Inchtire (AGM)