

PINWHERRY & PINMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON Thursday 17th May 2012 IN PINWHERRY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Community Councillors present:

Roger Pirrie (Chair), Chris Saunders Vice Chairperson, David Logan, John McAlley, Peter Walker.

Co-opted Community Councillor: Claire Pirrie

In Attendance: S.A.C. Link Officer Louise Fyfe

S.A.C. Elected Member Alec Oattes

Community Police Officers Ross Keenan, Alan Mitchell.

Apologies: Mike Chamberlain, Joy Chamberlain, Charles Welsh, Willy Logan

Members of the public: None

Chair taken by Roger Pirrie

Minutes taken by Claire Pirrie

Declarations of Interest: As per register

Item no.	Item	Action by
1.	<p>Community Police Officer's report: 8 calls or incidents have been dealt with including: 3 road traffic accidents – motorbike on Barrhill Rd. / minor accident involving 2 vehicles at Ash Cottage / lorry skidded and hit a tree at Ash Cottage. Others include a complaint regarding facebook and a number of calls regarding sheep on the road. No crimes recorded since the last meeting. Issues raised by those present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request to monitor mobile phone use due to the number of drivers seen using hand held phones. • 11 accidents since January on the road near Ash Cottage. Many were minor and not reported to police. They're indicative of a problem with the surface, previously identified by a SAC engineer as being due to unsuitable stone used for the road surface, as it polishes. The gap between the road edge and safety barrier adds to the problem. Accidents are also occurring at Hallowchapel junction. Sgt Hornby, Alec Oattes and Louise Fyfe are asked to highlight the problem. • Request to police to check the safety of timber operations at Craig Wood. 	
2.	Deputations / Presentations / Open Forums: None	
3.	Chair congratulated Councillor Oattes on his re-election to South Ayrshire Council.	
4.	<p>Minutes of April 19th 2012: Approval proposed by John McAlley. Seconded by Chris Saunders. All agreed.</p>	

<p>5.</p>	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>3/8 i) The Old Dairy in Pinwherry: PPCC are to report any further deterioration or increase in risk to SAC, who are using a police liaison officer to find the owner.</p> <p>3/14 ii) SVGarden Club are considering taking responsibility for the lay by flower tubs. SAC contract ended 31st March. SAC to be asked to repair the inadequate foundations of the notice board in Virgin Inn lay by on land donated by Logan family. Contractor has been asked to quote for large boulders to replace the broken bollards. Thea Petticrew to be asked to arrange painting and treatment of furniture on Pinmore green. David Logan was thanked for repairing the antique sign post at Pinmore junction. SAC to be asked to clean roadside signs where necessary. Thanks to SAC for repair of Pinwherry sign.</p> <p>4 c) SAC’s road show report is expected at beginning of June.</p> <p>5. iii) £100.000 has been paid to SAC by Scottish Power for road repairs. Mike Newall says this money will be used to “augment” the budget allocation for the A714. PPCC have noted no repairs other than those expected from the normal budget. SAC are to be asked for details of the budget allocation showing that the compensation is being used as an additional allocation for the A714. PPCC consider £100k a very poor return for the damage done during the Construction of 2 major wind farms.</p> <p>iv) The next Stinchar Valley Magazine contains contact details for SAC to encourage residents to contact SAC direct with road and environment problems.</p> <p>7v) Ayrshire Civil Contingencies Team have been invited to speak to PPCC. No date has been agreed yet.</p> <p>ii) Muck road: SAC officer will speak to the farmer again about the silage spillage. A number of residents are complaining about potholes. Janice Kelly is to be asked to contact John McAlley and arrange a visit to assess the Muck road. Bill Grant, portfolio holder for environment, is to be invited to a meeting of PPCC.</p>	<p>LF/AO</p> <p>JMcA/RP</p> <p>AO/LF</p> <p>RP</p> <p>AO/LF</p> <p>AO/LF</p> <p>AO/LF</p> <p>AO/LF</p> <p>JMcA</p> <p>CP</p> <p>LF</p> <p>AO/JMcA</p> <p>CP</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Elected S.A.C. Member:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Carrick Community Leisure held its AGM at which architects presented their design. 30 people out of 1000 members attended. Fundraising is ongoing. • Following SAC’s election a Labour / Tory alliance leads with SNP in opposition. Designated roles and responsibilities are on SAC’s website. 	
<p>7.</p>	<p>S.A.C. Link Officer:</p> <p>Support for any community development continues from Colette McGarva and David Porte. Audrey Greenwood has been made aware of the need to</p>	

	<p>preserve Pinwherry War Memorial for future relocation. Following the poor response to PPCC's treasurer, improvements are being made to the customer contact system which should be evident soon. Jane Bradley, Human Resources, is taking this forward as a high priority.</p>	
8.	<p>Treasurer: In the treasurer's absence the Chair reported the receipt of a grant of £600 from SAC leaving a bank balance of £5597.85. Last year's accounts have been audited.</p>	
9.	<p>Secretary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAC bereavement services officer is arranging with SAC building department to remove the war memorial from the school for safe storage. The stone memorial in the garden will be relocated if the school is sold. • Ballantrae and Colmonell & Lendalfoot CCs invite PPCC to join in an application for funding which Ballantrae will use to organise a "big breakfast" and entertainment when the Olympic torch goes through Ballantrae at 07.05 on June 8th. All agreed. • Details of South Ayrshire Seniors Event on May 21st. 	<p>CP</p> <p>CP</p>
10.	<p>Hadyard Hill Community Benefit Fund: No meeting to report.</p>	
11.	<p>Carrick Futures Community Benefit Fund: £27k has been granted to Girvan & District / ACE / Patient Transport Group / Gig in the Green / Brunston Castle / Elms Resident Association in Maybole / The Stinchar Valley Magazine. Arecleoch wind farm payment is 5 months overdue. Interest payment is to be requested and Adam Ingram is to be asked to assist. Mark Hill payment is due in June from Scottish Power. Carrick Futures and Hadyard Hill are to form a sub group to look at Prospects for Carrick proposals.</p>	AO
12.	<p>Small grants: None</p>	
13.	<p>Carrick Community Council Forum: See attached minutes.</p>	
14.	<p>Pinwherry & Pinmore Community Development Assoc.: A joint meeting of PPCDA, PCA and SAC agreed not to use the school and to build a new facility on the previously agreed site. New members have been recruited but active community support is required and a public meeting is being arranged. SAC offer help with a household survey.</p>	
15.	<p>Windfarm developments: Applications continue for turbines throughout South Carrick. SAC planning officer responsible for turbine applications was asked about safety issues after the following press release from Infinis, the company who built the Ardrossan turbine which burst into flames during a gale; "As a standard precautionary measure, all Infinis staff vacate wind farms when wind speeds exceed 55 mph and therefore no one was present on site at the time of the incident". I have yet to hear of the public being</p>	

	<p>instructed to vacate any location near turbines during strong gales. SAC officer's reply included "There is no guidance or statutory requirement to consider the safety of turbine mechanisms in the assessment of a planning applications – the safety element of the machinery itself being considered by separate legislation."</p> <p>For the full statement please contact Claire Pirrie.</p>	
16.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>i) Pinwherry School: Carrick Community Councils Forum is to be asked if the tourism officer they have appointed could consider the feasibility of Pinwherry school being used as a hostel or bunkhouse. £500 is to be ring fenced for any cost involved. SAC are to be asked to delay any action on the school until a response is received from CCCF. Proposed by PW. Seconded by JMCA. All agreed.</p> <p>ii) P&P Community Councillors roles and responsibilities: Chair proposed a review of issues and topics in which PPCC takes an active interest. Following this CCouncillors can re-define and allocate responsibilities, including the secretary's role. Chair will contact other community councils and see how they work. This will be the main item on the agenda for August 16th 2012. All agreed.</p>	<p>RP/CP/CS</p> <p>RP/MC</p> <p>CP</p> <p>RP</p>
17.	<p>Meeting closed at 21.10</p> <p>Date of next meeting: Instead of a PPCC meeting June 21st will be a public PPCDA meeting. Invitations will be sent to all residents, SAC representatives and Councillors. Next meeting of PPCC will be 16th August 2012.</p>	<p>CP</p>

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